



Barbara Anne Trager

May 3, 1932 - January 13, 2025

Barbara Anne Trager, 92, of Tinton Falls, New Jersey and previously of Nesconset, New York and North Stonington, Connecticut, passed away on Monday January 13, 2025. She was born in Wichita Falls, Texas to the late Raymond and Edith Dunnington Culp.

Barbara was a devoted mother and true friend. She loved being with her sweet cats, gardening and watching the birds.

Surviving are her children, Raymond DeFranco and his wife Karen and Maryanne DeFranco. Her grandchildren, Christopher, Lindsay, Kristin and Bryant. Her great grandchildren, Landon, Caden, Mason, Dylan, Michael, Andrew, Logan, Grace and Riley. Her sister, Dorothy.

She is predeceased by her daughter, Jeanette DeFranco. Her grandsons, Matthew and Eric Fitts. Her sisters, Patricia and Charlotte and her husband, William Trager.

A memorial service to honor our mother's life will be held at Village Lutheran Church, 701 Western Blvd., Lanoka Harbor, NJ (Lacey Township) on Saturday, March 1st at 11AM. Please stay afterward and join us in the church's Fellowship Hall for lunch and share time with each other in her memory.

Previous Events

Memorial Service

MAR 1. 11:00 AM - 12:00 PM (ET)

Village Lutheran Church
701 Western Blvd.
Lanoka Harbor, NJ 08734

Tribute Wall

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“ We will honor our Mom with a memorial service on Saturday, March 1st are 11am at Village Lutheran Church in Forked River, NJ. Repass after for all in the Fellowship Hall at the church. Please join us in person or in prayer.

Maryanne DeFranco - February 06, 2025 at 10:43 PM

RF

“ Barbera, you were a second Mother to me, always positive and supporting, loving your family above all. You welcomed me into your family all those years ago with open arms. It always brings a smile when I think of the good times we shared and our strong Texas connection (corny jokes and all). Although I havent been a part of your family for many years, I am grateful for the time we had together. You will always have a special place in my heart. Rest easy, Mom.



Love you,
Ron

Ronald Wayne Fitts - January 20, 2025 at 05:55 PM

MD

Thank you, Ron. She loved you very much.

Maryanne DeFranco - January 21, 2025 at 06:59 PM

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“ 1 file added to the tribute wall



Maryanne DeFranco - January 19, 2025 at 11:04 AM

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"Grandma's Big Rock"

Maryanne DeFranco - January 22, 2025 at 04:59 PM

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“ Bongarzone Funeral Home lit a candle in memory of Barbara Anne Trager



Bongarzone Funeral Home - January 18, 2025 at 02:05 PM

KH

“ Grandma used to tell me, “When Grace was born, I was worried about her, having an older brother and two older boy cousins.” As time went on and we learned how tough Grace was, she would often tell me, “I’m definitely not worried about Grace anymore!”

I will always have such fond memories of visiting Gramdma as a kid and climbing her “big rock” in Connecticut!

I will miss you dearly, Grandma. Love you always. ☐



Kristin Henchel - January 18, 2025 at 12:28 PM