



Barbara Lee Zirkle

November 17, 1930 - February 13, 2018

Barbara Lee Zirkle, of Knoxville, TN passed away peacefully Tuesday, February 13, 2018 in Atlanta, GA.

She was the daughter of the late Charles and Cordie Ellis. In addition to her parents, she was preceded in death by her husband, Charles Zirkle of 38 years, daughter Janet Lee Zirkle, brothers James and Charles Ellis and son-in-law Stephen A. Greene. Survivors include daughter Kristy Z. Greene of Nashville, TN, Steven Zirkle of Atlanta, GA, grandsons Jordan Greene, Justin Greene (Sarah), great-granddaughters Karter and Klinton Greene, sister Peggy Patterson, great aunt, Nona Maples, several nieces, nephews and great-nieces and great-nephews. Special friends Mark, Karen and Lauren Bible, Shannon Cunningham and Doyle Dukes. The family would like to acknowledge her former students and their love, support and kindness.

Barbara was born in Knoxville, Tennessee where she graduated from Carter High School. She attended the University of Tennessee, Knoxville. Early in her career she was a cosmetologist and later became a beauty salon inspector for the state of Tennessee. In later years, she taught cosmetology at Morristown - Hamblen High School West from 1969-1995, where she helped launch hundreds of careers.

Visitation will be Saturday, February 17 from 1:00-2:30 p.m. at New Market Baptist Church with the funeral immediately following. Interment will be at Jefferson Memorial Gardens with Dr. J.W. Taylor officiating. Fielden Funeral Home will handle arrangements.

Previous Events

Visitation

FEB 17. 1:00 PM - 2:30 PM (ET)

New Market Baptist Church
921 Churchview Street
New Market, TN 37820

Service

FEB 17. 2:30 PM (ET)

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Tribute Wall

SB

“ So sorry to get this news. Barbara was a neighbor and dear friend. She was truly an honorable person who never did harm to others. Barbara excelled at being a good Mother, teacher, friend and neighbor. We have lost a true gem. My prayers go to her family.

Sherra Beets - February 17, 2018 at 10:19 AM

DP

“ Doris Patterson lit a candle in memory of Barbara Lee Zirkle



Doris Patterson - February 16, 2018 at 08:51 PM

DP

“ Dear Steve & Kristy
I am so sad about your mom. I remember the good friendship we shared and I will miss her very much. My thoughts and prayers are with you all at this time.
Love Doris Patterson

Doris Patterson - February 16, 2018 at 08:50 PM

SH

“ Steven and Krisky

You have my deepest sympathy but most of all you have my love which comes from God. I have reflected upon your Mother's precious memories and times I have spent with her. I share in your sadness but rejoice in our memories . Letting go is never easy but Mrs Zirkle's own words praise her. Proverbs 31:10 and 26 Who can find a virtuous women? For her price is above rubies. She opened her mouth with wisdom ; and in her tongue is the law of kindness . I was her student she was my instructor but it went beyond the classroom .She helped me with my career, watched as I became a bride, prayed for me through cancer, helped me through heartaches of loved ones, and rejoiced with me in my success of life . Always with encouragement along the way. For the last 39 years she has been my mentor, my friend, and yes my second mother. She will always have a cherished place in heart. I will always remember her for the love she shared. Seasons will change and her memories will tug at my heart. I know I will always remember Mrs. Zirkle in my heart for her price is above rubies!!!. I will miss her but her memories live on forever in and through Jesus Christ ! May God pour his peace into your hearts and may the Lord uphold you each passing day .

Love Lisa Herron

Stan Quentin Herron - February 16, 2018 at 03:59 PM

RR

“ Wonderful sweet lady ,, sorry for you're loss and look to GOD ,, he will help you through this difficult time and of course we will see her again in Heaven when we all see JESUS💜 Love Robin Rogers - Class of 1980 MWHS

Robin Rogers - February 16, 2018 at 01:52 PM

KP

“ *Kim Pendarvis purchased the Arrive in Style for the family of Barbara Lee Zirkle.*



Kim Pendarvis - February 16, 2018 at 11:22 AM



“ *Country Basket Blooms was purchased for the family of Barbara Lee Zirkle.*



February 16, 2018 at 10:59 AM



“ *Divine Peace Bouquet was purchased for the family of Barbara Lee Zirkle.*



February 16, 2018 at 10:49 AM

LM

“ *She was a lady of class. She cared for us as if we were her own children. She was a example of a true lady. Taught us to take pride in our appearance and our work, always pushing hard to do our best. She celebrated our victories and encourage d us through our failures. She was a gift to those of us blessed to be her "girls" RIP Lovely Lady. Prayers for her family. Laura Murrell class of 1976*

Laura Murrell - February 15, 2018 at 09:38 PM

KS

“ I was in her cosmetology class in 1987 , good teacher and was nice to me.

Kaye Toby Southerland - February 15, 2018 at 08:31 PM

KR

“ Dear Steven: I only met your Mother a few times, but I remember you always had positive happy comments about her and Janet. I saw her obituary and instantly knew it was your Mother -- even before I read the list of family members. My heart goes out to you, your family and loved ones. Sending huge hugs to my favorite swimming teammate "Wolfie". Karon (Monks) Rakoz 503-956-9039

Karon Rakoz - February 15, 2018 at 06:44 PM

TB

“ Mrs. Zirkle was the greatest inspiration!! Graduate class of 1981 prayers for her family!!

teresa (smith) burgin - February 14, 2018 at 11:05 PM

GM

“ Mrs.Zirkle was my favorite teacher ! I was a graduate of her 1986 cosmetology class and received my cosmology license in which I still keep active today ! I always kept in touch through yearly Christmas cards and we were lucky enough to have a reunion in her honor several years back. I will miss my special friend. She was a huge inspiration in my life and i will always be grateful to her !

gala minor - February 14, 2018 at 08:03 PM

-A

“ - Karen & Rizwan, AustinCSI purchased the Divine Peace Bouquet for the family of Barbara Lee Zirkle.



- Karen & Rizwan, AustinCSI - February 14, 2018 at 06:07 PM