



## Barbara J. Merryman

September 29, 1934 - October 13, 2021

Barbara J. Merryman, 87, of Kearney, died Wednesday, October 13, 2021, at Mother Hull Home in Kearney. Funeral services will be on Monday, October 18, 2021 at 11:00 a.m. at First Baptist Church in Kearney. Rev. Sean Dougherty will officiate and private family burial will be later. Visitation will be 1 hour prior to services at the church on Monday. Memorials are suggested to the First Baptist Church or Crane River Theater. Please visit [www.hlmkfuneral.com](http://www.hlmkfuneral.com) to leave a tribute or message of condolence. Horner Lieske McBride & Kuhl Funeral and Cremation Services in Kearney are in charge of arrangements.

Barbara was born on September 29, 1934 in rural Shelton, NE to Edwin J. and Katie M. (Lyon) Manfull. She attended Gibbon High School and graduated with the class of 1951. She later attended Kearney State College and graduated with a bachelors degree in 1971. Barbara married William C. Merryman on March 30, 1956 in Gibbon. She taught school in area country schools and was a media specialist at Grand Island Central Catholic School. She was a long-time member of First Baptist Church in Kearney. Barbara was also a member of the B.P.O. Does, ladies golf league, Kearney Area Retired Teachers Association, Kearney Women's Club and the Kearney Toastmasters. She also hosted several high school exchange students over the years.

Surviving relatives include her daughters, Debra (Mike) Eickhoff and Kim

(Steve) Reidy both of Kearney and Jane Shurrush of Nazareth, Israel; sister, Doris and Don Haney of Lubbock, TX; 6 grandchildren, Chad (Jill) Eickhoff, Allie (Jared) Argo, Khriesto (Nardeen) Shurrush, Haneen (Rami) Mazzawi, Jace Reidy, Shauna (Mannie) Reinsch; 8 great grandchildren

Barbara was preceded in death by her husband; 2 brothers; son in law, Amin Shurrush; grandchildren, Eleyah Shurrush and Shelby Reidy

# Previous Events

## Visitation

OCT 18. 10:00 AM - 11:00 AM (CT)

First Baptist Church  
3610 6th Ave.  
Kearney, NE 68845

## Funeral Service

OCT 18. 11:00 AM (CT)

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# Tribute Wall



“ *Barbara J. Merryman*

January 29, 2023 at 11:14 AM



“ *I had the pleasure of spending time with Barbara in the aquatic exercise group at the Fitness Center. Loved how she traveled the world on her own, offered her home to exchange students and supported the arts in Kearney. She was a remarkable woman.*

**Bonnie Botsford** - October 21, 2021 at 08:21 PM



“ *Deb, Kim and Jane*  
*You have our condolences for the passing of your Mom. She always made everyone feel welcomed at her house back in our high school days. We will include her in our prayers.*  
*Larry and Mary Klimek*

**Larry and Mary Klimek** - October 19, 2021 at 11:32 PM



“ *Fr. Paul Colling lit a candle in memory of*  
*Barbara J. Merryman*



**Fr. Paul Colling** - October 17, 2021 at 04:26 PM

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“ My deepest sympathy to all of Barbara’s family. She will be fondly remembered by many who called her our friend. Barbara was a member of my book club for many years. She always had a smile and words of wisdom and/or laughter to share with our group. She will be missed. May she Rest in Peace. Marlene Hansen



Marlene Hansen - October 17, 2021 at 12:29 PM

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Have you my sympathy to you all Barbara’s family , every things will gone but the beautiful memories will stay for ever , eyad barood family .

eyad - October 20, 2021 at 02:56 PM



“ Fairest of All was purchased for the family of Barbara J. Merryman.



October 16, 2021 at 11:10 AM



“ Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum was purchased for the family of Barbara J. Merryman.



October 14, 2021 at 06:39 AM