



Barbara Louise Woodson-Tyree

April 13, 1949 - February 21, 2015

Beloved mother, sister, and friend, Barbara Louise Woodson-Tyree, age 65, of Black Rock, Arkansas, passed over at 7:41 p.m., February 21, 2015, with her loving daughters, Dawn, Kelly, and son-in-law Cecil by her side at NEA Baptist Memorial Hospital in Jonesboro, AR.

Barbara was born on April 13, 1949 to Wesley and Cora (Tyree) Woodson of Black Rock, AR. She loved adventure, and challenge, even as a young girl. She believed in making the most of this life. Barbara graduated from Black Rock High School class of 1967, and afterward, moved to Kansas City. Her medical education journey started with her LPN degree from the University of Kansas Medical Center (Kansas City) in 1969, and later, using the bridge option program, earned her RN degree at Arkansas State University in 1973-1974. She was a dedicated Dermatology RN at University of Arkansas Medical Services, with rotations in other fields.

Barbara was an artist by heart with many interests in photography. This led her to become certified in retinal angiography in the field of ophthalmology from 1983 to 1990. She owned SJ Designs, Inc. and became a self-taught creative embroidery designer of skydiving attire. All the while, she was an avid skydiver and scuba diver. In 1994, Barbara participated in the skydiving nationals in Eloy, Arizona. She did a flat base jump out of a hot air balloon, followed by a single jump and tandems with both of her daughters out of a

Douglas DC-3, all with a record 66 other skydivers. She was the winner of a national “Got Milk” advertising campaign, with a photo of herself skydiving, smiling, and wearing the iconic milk mustache in People magazine.

Barbara is survived by her cherished daughters; Dawn M. Cranford and husband Cecil of Beebe, Arkansas and Kelly P. Kelley of Basehor, Kansas; her grandchildren, Taryn M.E. Stubbs of Beebe, AR and Kanyon L. Edwards of Basehor, KS; her dear siblings – sisters Thelma Jeanette Crosslin and Nancy (Fred) Pickney of Black Rock, AR; sister Anita Sue James of Kansas City, KS; brother James (Diane) Woodson of Imboden, AR; two sisters-in-law Sharon Woodson (belated John) of Heber Springs, AR and Jane Woodson (belated Tom) of Omaha, NE; and many nieces and nephews.

Barbara is preceded in death by both her parents Wesley and Cora (Tyree) Woodson of Black Rock, AR, brother John D. Woodson of Heber Springs, AR, sister Ella A. (Woodson) Wilson, brother Thomas E. Woodson of Omaha, NE, brother-in-law Claude H. Crosslin of Tampa, FL and brother-in-law James A. Wilson, Sr. of Basehor, KS.

Cemetery Details

Oak Forest Cemetery

Cemetery rd
Black Rock, AR 72415

Tribute Wall

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“ My deepest sympathy goes out to you, her beloved family. In the 80's I worked as an R.N with Barbara in the Operating Room helping with eye surgery. She was always so very kind and knowledgeable...I loved working with her. And yes indeed, she was a free spirit...an adventuress. Many many times during the ensuing years I have thought about her, but we lost touch, I'm sad to say. I know that Barbara enjoyed a full and fruitful life. May she rest in peace. And may God comfort you in your grief.

Judy Bunten - March 01, 2015 at 07:31 PM

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Thank you for the kind words of my mom

dawn cranford - October 14, 2015 at 08:33 PM

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“ 9 files added to the album Barbara Tyree



Dawn Cranford - February 27, 2015 at 06:48 PM

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“ *Forever in our hearts - you remain a shining light, a free spirit and a gutsy adventurer. The world was better with you here. Our loss is Heaven's gain.*



The Potts and Wilson families - February 25, 2015 at 09:20 PM