



Sr. Barbara T. Wills

May 4, 1927 - January 4, 2021

Sr. Barbara Wills, a member of the Mission Helpers of the Sacred Heart since 1952, went home to God on January 4, 2021, at St. Martin's Home in Baltimore. She was 93 years old. A native of Baltimore, Sister Barbara was a graduate of the Catholic High School of Baltimore and Loyola University of Maryland. During her long ministry, her focus was on religious education for both children and adults. She served in missions throughout the United States before returning to Baltimore where she served as the congregation's Secretary and as the Mission Helpers' Archivist for 39 years. She is survived by numerous nieces, nephews and great nieces and nephews.

Private viewing for family and Sisters beginning at 1:00 p.m. followed by Prayer Service at 3:00 p.m. on Saturday, January 9 at Mitchell-Wiedefeld Funeral Home, 6500 York Road, Baltimore. A Memorial Mass will be held at a later date. Contributions in Sr. Barbara's memory may be made to the Mission Helpers of the Sacred Heart, 1001 Joppa Road, Baltimore, Md. 21204

Previous Events

Visitation

JAN 9. 1:00 PM - 3:00 PM (ET)

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Catholic Prayers

JAN 9. 3:00 PM (ET)

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Tribute Wall



“ Mitchell-Wiedefeld Funeral Home. created a Webcast in memory of Sr. Barbara T. Wills



Mitchell-Wiedefeld Funeral Home, Inc. - January 08, 2021 at 11:05 AM

DZ

It was a beautiful, meaningful experience to join with our Sisters via zoom to celebrate the beautiful life of Sr. Barbara. The reception for the video was well received. There is much to celebrate. Thank everyone who was part of preparing for this celebration. We have lost a dear friend but she is closer to us than ever before. Thank you.

Dr. Angela Ann Zukowski - January 09, 2021 at 03:39 PM

KB

There is yet another angel in heaven!

Kathleen Bell - January 10, 2021 at 04:51 AM

PW

“ 12 files added to the album Memories Album



Peggy Wills - January 15, 2021 at 10:04 AM

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“ 4 files added to the album Memories Album



Peggy Wills - January 15, 2021 at 09:50 AM

PW

“ Like my cousin Bill said, Aunt Barb was the closest to being a saint of anyone we knew. She never said an unkind word, we never saw her angry and she never, ever forgot anyone's birthday--we could always count on getting a card from her. She loved spending time with all of us, her family, and you could always count on her to pray for you or your intentions. I don't believe she had Alzheimer's, maybe dementia, because she would admit that her memory was failing. She always remembered my name, gave me a big hug and kiss and told me she loved me when I went to visit her. I would sometimes bring photo albums with me when I visited--she loved looking through old photos of her childhood and early life, her vacations with us in Wildwood, and she could recall those times. She loved kids and when my siblings and cousins had their own, Aunt Barb was a big part of their lives, too. When we had to move my Dad to Stella Maris, Aunt Barb was living at St. Elizabeth's Hall and would visit him every day. I remember our meeting with the care worker once: she told us of how Dad would be playing bingo and Aunt Barb would sit and point out the numbers for him, how he would get slightly irritated. She asked what was the dynamic between them and I said that she was his sister, a year older. After that, they gave Aunt Barb her own card. We sometimes would invite her for holidays like Christmas and Thanksgiving but she would always decline, wanting to spend time with her Sisters, her other family. She would come for New Year's Eve, vacations and family cookouts, though. She was such a big part of our lives, we will miss her terribly but have so many wonderful memories of her.

Peggy Wills - January 15, 2021 at 09:30 AM

BZ

“ My Aunt Barb was the closest of anyone to being a saint. She was the most patient, kind, and understanding person ever. She was such an important part of my family's life. She was not only a wonderful friend and sister to my Mom, Elizabeth Wills, and to my Aunt Patricia Lundy, but was so important to every aspect of our lives--my daughters' baptisms, first communions, and confirmations, to say nothing of all the holidays we celebrated together. The way she lived her life will forever serve as an inspiration to all who knew her.

Bill Zappa - January 08, 2021 at 09:34 PM

JW

Genuinely kind, patient, sincere, smiling, gentle, songbird... this is how I think of Sr. Barb. I was blessed to work with her when I first started at the Mission Helpers, and she was still the Canonical Secretary in 2006. She was a dear, always concerned about others, always talked about her family, and always had such a good perspective on life, with words of simple understanding, guidance, and truth. A quiet but strong lady, life lived in faith and family, and so many dimensions to her - she is missed.

Jessica Williamson - January 10, 2021 at 09:16 AM