



## Barbara Purinton

September 17, 1935 - February 12, 2018

Mrs. Barbara J. Purinton, 82, of Forsyth died Monday, February 12, 2018 at her residence. Memorial services will from 1 to 3:00 P.M. Saturday, February 24, 2018 at the Maple Hill Funeral Home Kansas City, KS. Barbara Jan Purinton was born Tuesday, September 17, 1935 in Blackwell, OK to Willie Lloyd and Esther Patricia (Kabler) Neel. She attended school in Blackwell and graduated with the class of 1953. She became a Licensed Practical Nurse. During this time, she met William "Bill" Purinton. They were married June 23, 1956 in Blackwell. She and Bill moved to Kansas City, Kansas in 1965. Barbara worked for several hospitals in all aspects of LPN nursing in Kansas City. She then attended Kansas City, Kansas Community College where she received an Associate's degree in Management Consulting. She also was a softball umpire for the Parks and Recreations in Kansas City, KS. Billy died in 1993 and Barbara continued to work until she retired in 2003. Twelve years later, she moved to Forsyth to be near her daughter. Barbara was a member of the Community Women's Theater Committee and the Metropolitan Spiritual Church of Christ in Kansas City, MO. She enjoyed crossword puzzles, traveling, singing with the church choir, shopping and spending time with her family. She was a loving, caring, feisty and strong independent lady that met life's challenges head on. She was a good listener, very compassionate, sharp minded and a hard worker. She is survived by two daughters, Janet Pillow and husband, Fred of Forsyth, Lea Ann Bess and husband, Kenneth of Kansas City, KS; adopted daughters, Debby and Joyce Quisenberry of Kansas City,

KS; seven grandchildren, Maggie McCracken, Jacob, Shawn and Tanner Walsh, Kevin and Kammi Bess and Charlene Bess Rinehart and fourteen great-grandchildren. She is preceded in death by her parents; husband, William "Billy" Purinton and one brother, James Neel.

# Previous Events

## Memorial Service

FEB **24**. 1:00 PM - 3:00 PM (CT)

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# Tribute Wall



“ *Barbara Purinton*

October 08, 2023 at 10:59 AM



“ *Barbara Purinton*

September 17, 2022 at 08:24 PM



“ *To Lea Ann & family, so sorry for the passing of your Mom. You probably do not remember me. Your mother & I worked together @ Blackwell General Hospital, here in Blackwell, America. You & my son, Chuck Martin attended Catholic kindergarten together. Your Mom would take the two of you to school & I would pick you kids up. Well I just read the paper & surely was surprised. So sorry, thoughts & prayers to you & family. Sondra Martin*

Sondra Martin - March 14, 2018 at 05:27 PM



“ *My sweet aunt who loved me no matter what and was always caring. Sweet rest with those waiting for you. I*



mark - February 27, 2018 at 07:37 PM



*So beautiful Mark. One of my fav pics.  
Stay well and God bless you!💙😔*

Janet Pillow - February 28, 2018 at 10:49 AM



“ *Dear mama, we know your with Jesus now and have eternal life in heaven.*

*Your legacy will continue for generations to come. I will love and miss you ever single day until we meet again. You raised us all to be strong, independent adults who will continue to follow their dreams as you did!*



Janet Pillow - February 26, 2018 at 09:16 AM



“ *Full Of Love Bouquet was purchased for the family of Barbara Purinton.*



February 20, 2018 at 03:54 PM