



## Barbara Ann Batteiger

June 17, 1945 - September 19, 2019

Barbara Ann Batteiger of St. James, Missouri passed away on Thursday, September 19, 2019 at the age of 74. Barbara was born in St. Louis, Missouri on June 17, 1945 to the late Richard, and Mina (Smith) Steiner.

Miss Barbara Steiner was united in marriage to Mr. Wayne Betteiger on June 6, 1973, this union was shared with his three children. Barbara spent her entire career teaching school, she was devoted to education, as was a favored teacher by her students. She enjoyed doing crafts, especially needlework. She had made many cross stitch ornaments that are amazing. She also enjoyed reading and owns hundreds of paper backs, and books in a digital format. She loved to cook, and she was an exceptional cook, everyone was excited when they were invited to a meal at Barbs. Besides spending time with her family and friends, Barbara really loved spending time with her best friend "Max", a two year old West Highland Terrier.

Barbara Ann Batteiger is survived by her step-children, Caryl Meier and husband Arthur, of Pacific, MO, and James Batteiger, of Florissant, MO; Brother, David Steiner, of Boston, MA; sister, Nancy Wilkatis and husband Jerry, of Lake St. Louis, MO; grandchildren, Jason, Nicholas, and Brett Meier; great-grandchildren, Avery, Trenton, Dilyn, and Sawyer Meier; a host of nieces, nephews, extended family and many friends.

In addition to her parents Richard and Mina Steiner, Barbara was preceded in death by her husband Wayne in 1985; step-son, Wayne Michael Batteiger in

2000.

Funeral services will be held at 2:00PM, Tuesday, September 24, 2019 at the St. James Chapel of the James & Gahr Mortuary. Visitation will be at the Chapel prior to the service from 12:30PM until service time. Internment will be at the St. James Cemetery where Barbara will be laid to rest beside her husband Wayne.

# Cemetery Details

**St. James Cemetery**

## Previous Events

### Visitation

SEP **24.** 12:30 PM - 2:00 PM (CT)

James & Gahr Mortuary - St. James  
117 Seymour St.  
St. James, MO 65559  
(573) 265-3232  
dcjames@fidnet.com  
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### Service

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# Tribute Wall



“ *Barbara Ann Batteiger*

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January 30, 2023 at 04:37 AM



“ *Barbara Ann Batteiger*

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January 30, 2023 at 02:54 AM

JB

“ Barb was 3 months younger than me and although we attended Our Lady of Fatima at the same time, she was in a lower level class and we never met.

She became my step mother when she married my father Wayne a few years after my mother Ruth died ... they had met each other on the job at the phone company.

She was great cook and house keeper and treated by me, my brother Mike and sister Caryl like she was our mother ... and filled a major void in our lives.

Our dog Pierre was a great family companion who went nuts (jumping up / down) when we had guests ... he especially liked humping my cousin Gary's leg.

Barb loved my dad very much and was a great wife and companion to him ... and all of us (young adults / teenagers) loved her very much for that.

She was also a mentor to all of us and gave solid / good advice with sticky problems.

I missed seeing her on a regular bases after she and my dad moved to St. James.

My family was only able to visit her in St.James about 8-10 times ... but did get to visit with her on many holidays at Caryl and Art's House ... until the last few years when her health and my health problems kept us from visiting at the same time.

She was very talented and made a ceramic (marble like) dinner table and a stained

*glass (window like) chandelier ... both of which were pieces of art.*

*She also made many other artistic contributions in their house in St. James.*

*Barb played a major roll in my development as a young adult and always supported me and my family in my later years.*

*She was truly a good person and had a great sense of humor.*

*I wish my brother Mike could say a few words here, but I'm sure he would echo what I've said above and probably much more ... he was 10 years younger than me and enjoyed growing up with Barb's positive influence into adulthood.*

*I will miss Barb and am sorry for how she died alone ... but none of us have the luxury of choosing our time or place of death.*

*I wish Barb the best in the heaven and hope she and Mike get together ... and pray for the rest of still on earth.*

*Jim Batteiger - 9/26/19*

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**Jim Batteiger** - September 27, 2019 at 03:57 AM

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“ *My greatest sympathy. I feel so blessed to have gotten the honor to be her hairdresser since 1986. She started a book trade in my salon for all my clients to be able to take books for free. Her love for animals helped St James humane society in numerous ways. I value many handmade gifts she made me over the years, even have some from her mother. Her handmade Santa Christmas ornament collection will bring tears and a smile to my face this year. I will never forget her.....*

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**Heather Look** - September 22, 2019 at 11:13 PM

BB

“ *Barb was a great teacher to my son and a wonderful person Rest In Peace Barb.*

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**Betty Birkner** - September 22, 2019 at 02:52 PM



“ *Sweet Tenderness was purchased for the family of Barbara Ann Batteiger.*



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September 21, 2019 at 02:55 PM

GW

“ *Very sorry. Condolences to the family. Barb was the sweetest neighbor to our family. She was always kind to me as a young guy. She was very supportive of me as a young teacher and she was like a mentor, guide and a superior role model for me as an educator. My wife and I both worked with her at the elementary school. Barb always made me laugh, and was a super hostess at her yearly Christmas parties. We also talked a lot about books that we were reading. She will be sorely missed!*

*Gary & Cindy Wyatt*

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**Gary Wyatt** - September 21, 2019 at 01:29 PM

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*My deepest sympathy. Barb was one of the most amazing ladies I've ever had the honor to service. She was my client since 1985. I have so many special gifts that she made for myself and children. Most giving, hard working , animal lover, book loving friend I could have been blessed to know. I will miss her greatly!!!!*

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**Heather Look** - September 22, 2019 at 10:42 PM

HL

*Barb spoke very highly of you two! Thank you for always being there to help her. We will all miss her SO much!!!*

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**Heather Look** - September 22, 2019 at 11:53 PM