



Barbara Skiles

March 6, 2026

Barbara LaVonne “Barb” Skiles, 84, of Walkerton, passed away on Friday, March 6, 2026, at Miller’s Merry Manor in Walkerton following an illness. She was born on March 25, 1941, in Chicago to the late Lloyd and Elmee (Johnson) Cable. Barb spent most of her life in the Walkerton area, where she was known as a kind, loving woman who deeply cherished her family and the simple joys of life.

On December 21, 1958, in Donaldson, she married the love of her life, LeRoy Devon Skiles. They shared many wonderful years together until his passing on November 20, 2015.

Barb devoted many years of her career to Swan Lake Resort/United States Golf Academy, where she worked as the housekeeping supervisor for nearly twenty years. She took great pride in her work and the friendships she made along the way.

Above all, Barb loved her family. She treasured her role as “Nana” and found great joy in spending time with her children, grandchildren, and great-grandchildren. In her free time, she enjoyed shopping and doing crafts, often creating things that brought happiness to those around her.

She is survived by her children, Pam (Larry) O’Dell of Lexington, North Carolina, Kerri (Joe) Fraschetti of Walkerton, Darren (Jennifer) Skiles of Lexington, North Carolina, and Troy (Trisha) Skiles of York, South Carolina. She was a proud Nana to Jerrod and Jason Fraschetti, Justina Nifong, Derrick and Kyle O’Dell, and Chloe and Siddalee Skiles; and a loving great-

grandmother to Jayden, Kaydence, Haylie, Lillian, Landon, Julia, Harlow, Beckett, and Lainey. She is also survived by her devoted sister-in-law, Pam Cable, nieces Jessica Cable and Heather Rauen and many other loving family members.

She was preceded in death by her parents, her beloved husband LeRoy, and one brother, Leslie Cable.

Visitation will be from 11:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m. EDT on Saturday, March 14, 2026, at Rannells Funeral Home, Koontz Lake Chapel. Funeral services will be held at 1:00 p.m. EDT on Saturday at the funeral home. Burial will follow at Woodlawn Cemetery in Walkerton.

In lieu of flowers, memorial contributions may be made in Barb's memory to Pet Refuge.

Previous Events

Burial

MAR 14. 11:00 AM - 1:00 PM (ET)

Rannells Funeral Home - Koontz Lake Chapel
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Tribute Wall



“ *Kent and Susie Brantley*



Kent and Susie Brantley - March 12 at 08:35 PM



“ *Forever in our Hearts - Beloved Child 11.5" Wind Chime was purchased for the family of Barbara Skiles.*



March 12 at 12:54 PM



“ *A [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) was planted in honor of Barbara Skiles.*

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“ *Beautiful in Blue was purchased for the family of Barbara Skiles.*



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“ Barbara, Jim and Patricia Hyatt purchased the Serene Retreat for the family of Barbara Skiles.



Barbara, Jim and Patricia Hyatt - March 10 at 11:49 AM



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“ Barb was a friend it seems like forever, back in the 60's I watched her cheer for the Walkerton Indians. Later on we became friends our children playing baseball and basketball games, eating out with friends, watching LeRoy race his car. Working with her at Swan Lake and she started me with my Hallmark ornament collection. She will be deeply missed. Love you Barb!!

sharon halsey - March 09 at 11:11 PM

MC

“ *Barb was a wonderful lady. I met Barb when was young when my mom would go visit Barb's mom and dad in West York. It was always enjoyable to talk to Barb any time I saw her. Condolences to Pam, Kerri, Darren, Troy and your families on your loss.*

Marty Calvin - March 08 at 04:39 PM

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“ *My heart goes out to the whole family. Forever aunt Barb.. even though she wasn't my real aunt. My childhood is filled with memories of shopping and ice cream at baskin Robbins after. May you find peace knowing she no longer in pain. Love you all!*

Angie Martin - March 07 at 01:43 PM

CM

“ *So many memories. Family since the 70s and forever friends. Hold on to all the memories and growing up with the fun and laughter. Find peace in that she is in a better place and with her family. I hope there's a mall in Heaven. She will be missed.*

Connie Martin - March 07 at 12:54 PM

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“ *Cindy Howard lit a candle in memory of Barbara Skiles*



Cindy Howard - March 07 at 11:40 AM