



Barbara R. Marotta

January 2, 1933 - October 2, 2014

Barbara R. Marotta, 81, passed away on Thursday, October 2, 2014 at Columbia Heights Retirement in Wenatchee, with her daughter by her side. She was born on January 2, 1933 in Wenatchee to Maurice and Hazel Gwinn. She attended Wenatchee Schools and graduated from Wenatchee High School in 1951. Barbara attended Washington State University in Pullman, where she sang in the choir and became an accomplished opera singer.

In 1954 she married Danny Marotta. She was a secretary for Washington State Department of Transportation and in 1976 she went to work for Central Washington Hospital as a Supervisor of Housekeeping, retiring in 1996. Barbara was a devoted loving mother to her three daughters, who thought the world of her. She spent many hours playing Scrabble games with her daughters and loved cooking and cookbooks. She was a longtime member at the Presbyterian Church.

She was preceded in death by her parents and her youngest daughter, Lori Boyer. She is survived by her two daughters, Lisa (James) Smith of East Wenatchee, Lindy (James) Lothian of Federal Way, WA; her son-in-law, James Boyer of Seattle; three grandchildren; twin brothers, Dean (Tonee) Gwinn of Arizona and Dale (Judi) Gwinn of Wenatchee.

Celebration of Life Service will be held at 2:30 p.m. on Friday, October 10,

2014 at Wenatchee City Cemetery Mausoleum with a reception to follow at the Rotary Park on Western Ave. Please express your thoughts and memories on the online guest book at jonesjonesbetts.com. Arrangements are by Jones & Jones-Betts Funeral Home.

Cemetery Details

Wenatchee City Cemetery Mausoleum

1804 N Western
Wenatchee, WA 98801

Previous Events

Service

OCT **10**. 2:30 PM (PT)

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Tribute Wall

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“ I also worked with Barb at CWH and later found out she went to school with my older sister. I always enjoyed her dedication to her work, her smile and warm personality. I'm grateful to have know her.
Susie Larson

Susi Larson - October 16, 2014 at 07:47 PM

DB

“ Adieu Barby Dewey

Dewey Baker - October 11, 2014 at 12:32 PM

CO

“ I had the pleasure of working with Barb at Central Washington Hospital. I remember her lovely smile, gracious and caring way and the wonderful talks we shared over many years. Rest in peace, Barb. Chris Olson

Chris Olson - October 10, 2014 at 09:04 PM

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“ *Barby was my dearest friend as a young woman. She was little Barby, I was big Barb. We worked together at the State Highway Department and became as close as sisters. Her three little girls were the first children I fell in love with, having been raised as an only child, I gave my youngest daughter her daughter's name as a middle name in hopes she would be as wonderful as little Linda. We danced together in revues at the Vets Club for several years, and allowed as how that was the most fun we ever had in our lives. What a blast. We have kept in contact over the years, Christmas cards, a phone call once in a while. I shall never ever forget her. My thoughts are with Linda and Lisa. I send my hugs to both of the girls. I am currently at my home in Mexico, but my heart will be with them as well as Barby's two brothers. Barbara Bendtsen*

Barbara Bendtsen - October 09, 2014 at 02:04 PM

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My regards to the family. I considered Lisa a friend and had may good time working on her cars. I enjoyed talking with their mom Barb when the rare occasion arose. Deeply saddened to find out about Lori. She was a good spirit and fun to be around.

*Friend from the past
Ed Turner, Cashmere
630-7406*

Ed Turner - October 28, 2014 at 12:59 AM