



Barbara Diane Taylor

February 22, 1934 - June 10, 2016

Mattoon, IL – Barbara Diane Taylor, age 82, of Mattoon, IL, passed away at 8:00 p.m., Friday, June 10, 2016, at Heartland Christian Village in Neoga IL. A casual attire visitation will be held Friday evening June 17, 2016 from 4:00 to 6:00 p.m. at Mitchell-Jerdan Funeral Home, 1200 Wabash Avenue, Mattoon, IL, 61938.

Born February 22, 1934, in Decatur, IL, Diane was the daughter of Harold Dale and Lucille Frances (Niski) Allspach. She married W.C. Taylor in Mt. Zion, IL, on December 21, 1957. He survives. Other survivors include four sons, Alan Taylor and his wife Nancy of Atlanta, GA, Jody Taylor and his wife Marie of Macon, IL, Zack Taylor of Lake Paradise, rural Mattoon, IL, Jason Taylor and his wife Myra of Lake Paradise, rural Mattoon, IL; and 8 grandchildren. She was preceded in death by her parents.

Mrs. Taylor graduated from Lake Land College and Eastern Illinois University. Diane was an educator and taught in Mattoon and Neoga school systems for over 25 years before retiring in 1995. She was a member of the Illinois Retired Teachers Association. She was a member of Zion Hill Methodist Church.

In her free time, Barbara enjoyed reading, and flower gardening; however her family was her life. She cherished time spent with them. She was a devoted wife, a loving mother, and an adoring grandmother.

Memorials in her honor may be made to the TB Alliance 40 Wall Street, 24th floor, New York, NY 10005; American Cancer Society PO Box 22478 Oklahoma City, OK 73123; or the Lake Land Foundation 5001 Lakeland Blvd,

Mattoon Illinois 61938

Please visit www.mitchell-jerdan.com or www.facebook.com/mitchelljerdanfuneralhome to light a virtual candle in her honor or share a memory with her family.

Previous Events

Visitation

JUN 17. 4:00 PM - 6:00 PM (CT)

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Tribute Wall



“ Mitchell-Jerdan Funeral Home created a Tribute Video in memory of Barbara Diane Taylor



Mitchell-Jerdan Funeral Home - June 20, 2016 at 10:15 AM



“ Barbara Diane Taylor

October 08, 2023 at 07:40 PM



“ I knew her as Diane, she was a customer of mine and I remember vividly when she told me of the surprise of another child. We shared our pregnancies and delivered beautiful boys a month apart. Her blessing was none other than Jason. Our boys grew up together. I have many fond memories of my friend and will always remember her as the beautiful person that she was. Genetta



Genetta Townley - June 17, 2016 at 09:05 PM



“ 65 files added to the album Life Tributes



Mitchell-Jerdan Funeral Home - June 17, 2016 at 11:59 AM

KR

“ *Mr. T, so sorry to hear of your loss. I do not recall ever meeting your wife, but will never forget you teaching English at Tower Hill High! I have many fond memories of my high school years thanks to you. May God's loving arms comfort you and your family in this time of sorrow. She looks like a lovely lady.*



*Kay (Cross) Rice
Venice, Florida*

Kay (Cross) Rice - June 16, 2016 at 08:39 PM

JC

“ WC and Family,

So sorry to hear of Diane's passing. I remember Diane from when I was younger and she would come down to visit with my Grandparents in the village of Paradise. (Pete and Evie Priest) As I got older, I always looked forward to running in to her and talking. When we moved to Paradise, I was pleasantly surprised when I went to vote for the first time and she was working and explained what to do. It kept me going back even if I didn't really know who I was voting for back then. (Boy, have things changed now!) She would always slip me something that she or the other ladies had baked and brought to the township building to nibble on. When Greg and I got married, The Taylor family knew the Culp gang very well. WC gave Greg and I valued information when we moved over seas to Panama.

We are so sorry that we are out of town and will not be able to honor Diane at visitation.

You are in our thoughts.

Greg and Jackie(Priest) Culp

Jackie Culp - June 16, 2016 at 05:15 AM

DS

I have enjoyed many visits with Diane over the years I have worked at the elevator so sorry for this loss thoughts and prayers to her beloved family DonnaSmith

Donna Smith - June 16, 2016 at 11:45 AM



“ *Secret Garden Basket was purchased for the family of Barbara Diane Taylor.*



June 15, 2016 at 04:06 PM

PP

“ So very sorry to hear of Diane's passing. She was a wonderful woman. Her presence will be missed but she will remain in our hearts and memories always. Love and Condolences to all of the family at this sorrowful time. Pamela Palmore

Pamela Palmore - June 15, 2016 at 01:57 PM

AF

“ Alice Scott and family purchased the Country Basket Blooms for the family of Barbara Diane Taylor.



Alice Scott and family - June 15, 2016 at 10:39 AM

AS

“ Alice Scott lit a candle in memory of Barbara Diane Taylor



Alice Scott - June 15, 2016 at 09:25 AM