



## Barbara Jean King

June 11, 1932 - September 4, 2017

Barbara Jean King, age, 85 of Oskaloosa, formerly of Albia and Bussey, passed away Monday, September 4, 2017, under the care of Northern Mahaska Specialty Care Center.

Barbara was born on June 11, 1932, to Samuel and Maudie (Tulk) Barnhill in Knoxville, Iowa. She attended school in Bussey and graduated from Bussey High School with the class of 1950. Barbara married Jr. King on March 3, 1951, in Knoxville. They shared 58 years of marriage and were blessed with three daughters; Vicki, Cindy, and Toni.

Barbara was a secretary for the Twin Cedars Elementary School for 24 years, before retiring in 1992. She was a member of the Bussey United Methodist Church. Barbara had many hobbies. In her younger years, she enjoyed riding motorcycles with her husband. She was a member of the Flying Farmers and enjoyed flying with Jr. She was also a member of the Motor Iowa Club and she and Jr. traveled the state with their antique cars. They enjoyed traveling and she and Jr. wintered in Mission, Texas for 20+ years. She loved sewing, quilting, painting, and doing crafts. She enjoyed being outdoors, doing things such as gardening and camping. She and Jr. camped at the Iowa State Fair for many years. Barbara embraced the holiday times, for which she loved to decorate and dress up in holiday attire. She also loved to cook and above all, enjoyed spending time with her family and friends, especially her

grandchildren and great-grandchildren.

Barbara is survived by her three daughters, Vicki and Terry Pettyjohn of Oskaloosa, Cindy and Randy Clark of Bussey, and Toni and Kevin Walter of Albia; five grandchildren, Amie (Jim) Koffman, Austin (Jessica) Clark, Amanda (Adam) Rozenboom, J.D. (Natalie) Reed, and Christi (Todd) Westercamp; eleven great grandchildren, Jayce, Courteney, Cayel, Jaylea, Carter, Jaden, Lily, Ruby, Shelby, Sayler, Simon, and two great-grandchildren on the way. Barbara is also survived by 2 sisters, Sabra and Carol; and many nieces, nephews, cousins, and good friends.

Barbara is preceded in death by her husband, Jr. King; a great-granddaughter, Parker Westercamp; her parents, Samuel and Maudie; 3 brothers; and 4 sisters.

Funeral services will be held at 10:30 a.m., Thursday, September 7, 2017, at the Bussey United Methodist Church in Bussey. Burial will follow the service at Greenlawn Cemetery in Bussey.

Visitation will begin at 4:00 p.m. until 8:00 p.m. on Wednesday, September 6, 2017, at the Tharp Funeral Home in Albia, with Barbara's family present from 6:00 p.m.-8:00 p.m. to greet family and friends.

A memorial has been established to Serenity House in Oskaloosa.

# Cemetery Details

## Greenlawn Cemetery

Bussey, IA

# Previous Events

## Visitation

SEP 6. 4:00 PM - 8:00 PM (CT)

Tharp Funeral Home  
116 Benton Ave.  
Albia, IA 52531  
(641) 932-3129  
<https://www.tharpfh.com/>

## Funeral Service

SEP 7. 10:30 AM (CT)

Bussey United Methodist Church  
501 Edwards Street  
Bussey, IA 50044

# Tribute Wall



“ *Barbara Jean King*

January 30, 2023 at 05:06 AM



“ *Barbara Jean King*

January 30, 2023 at 02:53 AM



“ *So sorry to hear of the passing of your mother , Barb. She was always such a happy person. Our thoughts and prayers are with you all. Mary & Robert Pinegar.*



**Mary & Robert Pinegar** - September 07, 2017 at 03:09 PM



“ *Staci Sanders lit a candle in memory of Barbara Jean King*



**Staci Sanders** - September 06, 2017 at 06:00 PM

DA

“ *Cindy, Vicki & Toni,*

*So very sorry for your loss! Your mom will be looking down on you with a smile, until you all meet again! Hugs to each of you, Denise, and Bruce Allen*

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**Denise Allen** - September 06, 2017 at 01:35 PM

BL

“ *Bill & Chris Lanphier purchased the Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum for the family of Barbara Jean King.*



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**Bill & Chris Lanphier** - September 06, 2017 at 10:53 AM



“ *Vicki, Cindy, and Toni, just wanted you to know how very sorry I was to hear this. She was a great lady, I will keep you all in my thoughts and prayers. Take care and God Bless.*  
*Cindy (McCombs) Voss*

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**Cindy Voss** - September 06, 2017 at 09:11 AM



“ *Peaceful White Lilies Basket was purchased for the family of Barbara Jean King.*



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September 05, 2017 at 07:32 PM

KD

“ *Karen Denburger lit a candle in memory of Barbara Jean King*



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**Karen Denburger** - September 05, 2017 at 07:03 PM

KD

*My thoughts and prayers are with you.*

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**Karen Denburger** - September 05, 2017 at 07:05 PM

RA

“ *Rick And Denise Anderson lit a candle in memory of Barbara Jean King*



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**Rick and Denise Anderson** - September 05, 2017 at 12:38 PM

JU

“ *Oh how we will miss her ! Love to all of you.*



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**Julie** - September 05, 2017 at 12:29 PM

LN

“ *Lora Mefford Nickerson lit a candle in memory of Barbara Jean King*



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**Lora Mefford Nickerson** - September 05, 2017 at 11:38 AM

LN

*I remember Barbara she was a sweet lady. Will be miss by all. So, sorry for your loss*

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**Lora Mefford Nickerson** - September 05, 2017 at 11:41 AM

MP

“ *So sorry for your loss:( I do remember Barb coming into the clinic in Albia dressed as Mrs. Claus! She was a SWEET lady. Hugs to all!*  
*Mary Pettyjohn*

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**Mary Pettyjohn** - September 05, 2017 at 10:33 AM

KS

“ *I cannot narrow it down to just a memory. Barb was a part of my life pretty much ALL of my life. I miss her already. Much love to my "other" three big sisters, Vicki, Cindy and Toni. Barb left a lasting impact on me and my family. I am blessed to have had her be a part of my life.*

*Love you Barb! Give Junior a big ol' squeeze from me.  
Kimmie <3*

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**Kim Stark** - September 04, 2017 at 11:42 PM

RD

“ Roger, Drew, and Ben Day purchased the Sentiments of Serenity Spray for the family of Barbara Jean King.



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**Roger, Drew, and Ben Day** - September 04, 2017 at 11:17 AM