



Florence Deanna Barber

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Florence “Deanna” Barber passed away on Wednesday March 8th , 2023. The Lord welcomed her home at 8:30 that evening.

Deanna was born on November 18th, 1939 in St. John’s, Newfoundland, the first of ten children born to Edward Thomas Butt and Jennie Mae Crocker Butt. She was known by many names such as Deanna; Miss Dee; Aunt Nana; Nana and of course, Mom throughout her life. In 1960 she wed Winfred Denonie “Buddy” Barber, a USAF Airman, and settled in Tallahassee in 1961 after her husband was honorably discharged. They had three children, Deborah Anne (1960), Cynthia Joy (1961), and Edward Clyde (1969). They were married for 17 years.

She is survived by her son, Edward “Buddy” Barber and his wife Rebecca; her grandchildren, Sarah Paulson, Deanna Paulson, and Mary Paulson. She was blessed with three step-grandchildren in 2014, Nathaniel “Nate” Cassidy, Shiloh Cassidy, and Deborah Cassidy Howell. She was also blessed with two great grandchildren, David Andrew Paulson (son of Deanna Paulson), and Charles Edward Howell IV (son of Deborah and Charles Howell III).

Her extensive family including her brothers and sisters (in order) are Jane, Bill, Mary, Daphne, David, Paul, Harry, Steve, and Joy. They all were told of her passing and were saddened yet relieved she was no longer suffering. All of her siblings have spouses and children, as well as many grandchildren and great grandchildren. All live throughout Canada and deeply loved their Aunt Deanna. Over her 62 years in the U.S. she would visit them many times, especially after she retired in 2005. She instilled a great love of family into her children, as well as a great love for her Newfoundland home. This love is carried on.

She follows into heaven her daughters Debbie (1982) and Cindy (2022), son-in-law, Mike (2018), and many others who’ve gone before to prepare her path. We are all certain she was welcomed with open arms.



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A service will be held at 2:00 pm, Saturday, March 18th, 2023 at Tallahassee Heights Church, 3004 Mahan Dr., Tallahassee, Florida. She will be interred at Roselawn Cemetery. Please join us in celebrating Deanna's life. Lifesong (lifesongfunerals.com or 850/765-3190) is assisting the family with arrangements.




Events

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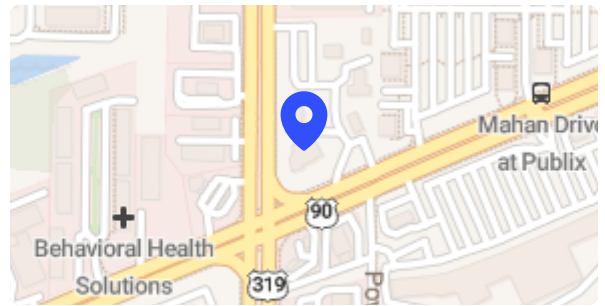
Service

 **Saturday**, March 18, 2023

 2:00 PM ET

 **Tallahassee Heights United Methodist Church**

3004 Mahan Dr., Tallahassee FL 32308





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Beatrice Pippy posted:

My beloved sister Deanna, so named after our mother's dear sister Florence, and a popular movie star of that time, Deanna Durban, was two when I was born. We walked to school together every day, she with her bright auburn hair in braids, always tied in pretty ribbons. We grew up together along with our siblings, and shared life's journey even though she had married and moved with her husband Buddy Barber to Tallahassee, Florida. The family connection was strongly maintained and all of us remained close. Through all of life's challenges we shared each other's joys and sorrows. She was a remarkable woman in every way, loving, kind, true, and strong. She had a faith that was able to carry her through even the most heartbreaking losses that we can experience, that of the illness and Death of her daughter Debbie. Mercifully, she was spared the knowledge of the passing of her other daughter Cindy. Now she has entered her true home, enjoying the presence of her Lord, and is reunited with those who rejoice to see their beloved Deanna. Deanna, my sister, my friend, until we meet again, always remembered and loved.

March 11 at 4:35 AM



Trudy McKay March 12 at 2:39 AM

To Harry and all the family, condolences, thoughts and prayers at this time. May the peace of God our Father be your strength and Comfort.



Memories only last if you share them

Join us in honoring Florence by contributing to a collection of shared memories.



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