



## Barbara J. Wohlfiel

September 15, 1939 - January 8, 2016

Barbara Jean Wohlfiel (nee Bakken) of Arbor Vitae, WI., found eternal peace on Jan. 8, 2016. Barb was born to Lennert and Evelyn (Sybeldon) Bakken on Sept. 15, 1939, in Minocqua, WI. She is preceded in death by her parents and her brother Richard (Terry) Bakken. Barb lived her entire life in the Northwoods, graduating from Arbor Vitae-Woodruff High School in 1958 and marrying her high school sweetheart Ruben Wohlfiel on October 18, 1958, at St. Anne's in Boulder Junction, WI. Barb worked at various local banks in the Lakeland area for over 35 years, working her way up from a teller to retiring as Vice President of Bookkeeping at FIRSTAR (US Bank) in Minocqua, WI. She then worked part-time for many years for the Town of Minocqua during tax season. She valued the many enduring friendships with the folks she met and worked with through the years. Barb's interests included knitting, crocheting, quilting, sewing, reading, cooking, baking, and supporting the Wisconsin-based sports teams. A plethora of quilts, afghans, and wall hangings lovingly crafted by Barb are proudly displayed in her children and grandchildren's homes. She also knit hundreds of mittens for area elementary schools and hats for newborns at HYMC. In her younger years she was an enthusiastic bowler, snowmobiler, and boater. Her true dedication was to her children and grandchildren. She loved to stay up-to-date with the happenings in their lives and watch them compete in volleyball, track, basketball, football, baseball, soccer, and lacrosse at the elementary, high school, and collegiate levels. She is survived by Ruben, her husband of 57 years, her three children; Vicki

(Peter) Gunderson of Middleton, WI.; Sherri Weldon of Minocqua, WI; and Terry (Laurie) Wohlfiel of Pewaukee, WI; sister-in-law Terry Bakken, of Boulder Junction, WI; and nephew Clint (Tracy) Bakken of Boulder Junction, WI. She was also the proud grandma to eight grandkids; Matthew, Lauren, and Kirsten Gunderson; Amanda (Phil) Negri and Brett Weldon; and Erik, Dylan, and Nicholas Wohlfiel.

The family extends its heartfelt gratitude to the Howard Young Medical Center ICU staff, especially Dr. Sara MS Ahmed and Jenny Borak, RN. Visitation will be at Bolger Funeral & Cremation Services, Minocqua Chapel, on Saturday, Jan. 16, from 1 to 3 pm, followed by a prayer service. In lieu of flowers, memorials may be made to the Humane Society of Vilas County, Northwoods Wildlife Center, or the Oneida County Humane Society.

# Previous Events

## Visitation

JAN 16. 1:00 PM - 3:00 PM (CT)

Bolger Cremation & Funeral Services - Minocqua Chapel  
212 West Chicago Street  
Minocqua, WI 54548  
(715) 356-3200  
bolgerfuneral@gmail.com  
<https://www.bolgerfuneral.com/>

## Prayer Service

JAN 16. 3:00 PM (CT)

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# Tribute Wall

JM

“ *Pete Gunderson,*

*Sorry for your loss, on behalf of the staff of Malcore Funeral Homes & Crematory in Green Bay, Wis. Your family is in our thoughts and prayers.*

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**Joe Malcore** - January 15, 2016 at 03:09 PM



“ *Peaceful White Lilies Basket was purchased for the family of Barbara J. Wohlfiel .*



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January 14, 2016 at 09:08 AM

NH

“ *Vicki-*

*So sorry to hear about your mom. You and your entire family have my sincere sympathy. I remember your mom fondly - spending time at your house as grade schoolers to visiting when we lived in Madison. My thoughts are with you.*

*Nora*

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**Nora Hohensee** - January 13, 2016 at 05:08 PM

BC

*So very sorry for your losing your wife Rueben, mom and I are thinking of you and your family, God Bless*

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**barbi Carlson** - January 17, 2016 at 07:40 PM

SV

“ *Stan and Sarah Vovos purchased the Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum for the family of Barbara J. Wohlfel .*



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**Stan and Sarah Vovos** - January 13, 2016 at 12:24 PM



“ *Rainbow Of Remembrance Spray was purchased for the family of Barbara J. Wohlfel .*



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January 12, 2016 at 12:44 PM

WA

“ *Rube  
So sorry to hear about Barb, our thoughts and prays go out to you  
and your family.  
Jim and Wanda*

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**Wanda** - January 11, 2016 at 08:34 PM

SS

“ *I am fortunate to be able to call Barb my friend. I enjoyed spending  
time with her and when I think of her I will always smile.  
So sorry she is gone.*

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**Sarah Steele** - January 11, 2016 at 09:21 AM

JK

“ I am so sorry for your loss. Barb was an awesome lady and I had the privilege of her being a friend as well as a great customer. She was so creative and always "sew" much fun to be around. We spent many great software and sewing days together at the Fabric Patch as well as at Pat Cowles. She will be greatly missed. Most recently she had called me to tell me of our dear friend Pat's passing. We were both so surprised that she had passed away. We shared how much we both missed the days at Pat's. Who would have ever guessed that a short time later she would be joining Pat.

*I will miss her so much. We always had so much to share when we got together.*

*God bless all of you and we were all blessed to have her in our lives.*

*Joanne Kuula*

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**Joanne Kuula** - January 10, 2016 at 02:46 PM

TA

“ My deepest condolences go to the family. Barb was a good friend from many years and never ceased in amazing me in the many things that she made and did well. I met Barb through the world of sewing and she not only was a student but a teacher as well to me.

*I will miss her dearly.*

*Talei Robinson*

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**Talei** - January 10, 2016 at 02:11 PM

BH

“ 1 file added to the album *Barbara Jean Wohlfiel*



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**Bolger Funeral Home** - January 10, 2016 at 02:00 PM

SB

*Love this picture! How beautiful!*

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**Sandy Beckwith** - January 11, 2016 at 06:35 AM

VB

“ *RIP BARB*



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**Vonnie Braun** - January 10, 2016 at 11:30 AM