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Barbara Provoznik Obituary

Barbara Ann Provoznik (nee Slater), 77, of Elyria, was taken home by the angels June 26, 2015 surrounded by her family. She was born September 8, 1937 in Bergoo, WV to James C. and Geraldine L. Gerri (nee Lloyd) Slater. In 1942 the family moved to the top of Point Mountain, Fork Lick District in Webster County, WV. Although she spent six months as a child in an iron lung with polio, Barbara was able to graduate on time with her class May 27, 1955 from Webster Springs High School. In 1955, work permit in hand, she traveled to Washington D.C. to work with the F.B.I. typing criminal jackets. In the meantime, her family had moved to Elyria and in 1959 she married and subsequently had five children. After her marriage ended, she was employed at Lees Pizza (now Walts), Ann & Andys, Humpty Dumptys and the 2200 Bar in South Lorain. By the end of the 1970s, she was hired by the Lorain County Office of Employment in Elyria. She subsequently was employed at ODOT in Oberlin, then at ODOT in Ashland in the construction payroll department from where she retired as a project inspector. Barbara was an excellent cook who could make a meal from a nearly empty kitchen. Her favorite foods were pizza and vanilla ice cream. Barbara was loved instantly by almost all who met her. She enjoyed fishing in Lake Erie and sang in a small band that performed in nursing homes. Upon entering Wesleyan Village as a resident, you could not pass by her room without entering to join her in singing karaoke. The loves of her life were her children and grandchildren. Surviving children include Paul A., Susan E., Steven J. (Robert), Michael S. (Shelly) and Donald D. Provoznik, all of Ohio; ten grandchildren; three great grandchildren; sister Sandra (Bill) Phares; sister-in-law Pennie Slater and numerous cousins. She was preceded in death by a bother James Slater in April of 2015; her parents and aunts, uncles and cousins. Friends will be received Tuesday, June 30, 2015 from 4 to 7 p.m. at Dicken Funeral Home and Cremation Service, 323



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Middle Ave. Elyria. A Mass of Christian Burial will be Wednesday, July 1, 2015 at 11:00 a.m. at St. Mary Church 320 Middle Ave., Elyria. Burial will follow at St. Mary Cemetery, Elyria. Barbaras family express their appreciation to the staff, especially the STNAs and nurses of Wesleyan Village, for the exceptional care given to their mother. Memorial contributions may be made to Wesleyan Village, STNAs Holiday Activities Fund, 807 West Ave, Elyria, 44035 or The Arthritis Foundation, 4630 Richmond Rd., Suite 204, Cleveland, 44128 or Parkinsons Disease Association, 135 Parkinson Ave., Staten Island, NY 10305. For online condolences, visit www.dickenfuneralhome.com

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ST

Steven posted:

Dear Mom, What am I to do without you ? Taking our rides ,having vanilla milkshakes, or just going outside to enjoy the sun on our faces and perhaps a smoke. Who will play checkers with me now ? I know that I am being selfish now . The pain that you have endured for years is now gone ,yet , I still want you here . I want to brush your hair , see your sparkling green eyes and hold your hands. I want to talk to you about times gone by . I especially want to see your beautiful, warm smile. That smile that conveyed how much love you had for me. Well, we always ended our visits with ,"I'll thee ya ", so mom, one of these days I will thee ya ! Until then dear mom, continue to protect me and I also will try to " Be good " . I love you.

July 7 at 8:00 PM

SK

Sue Kaswell posted:

So sorry for your loss. Thoughts and Prayers. Bay West Salon Group.

June 29 at 8:00 PM

AM

Amy posted:

My thoughts and prayers are with you

June 29 at 8:00 PM

BH

Barbara Howell posted:

Steven, I am so sorry to hear of your mom's passing. Jane sent me a text this evening. Barb, was a very loveable woman and we all had great memories from our childhood on Point Mountain. She'll be missed by many of the people that had the honor of knowing her. Now her and "mom" can sing the gospel music they loved together. Barbara Howell

June 29 at 8:00 PM



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CW

Carrie Watson posted:

Barb used to attend my church when I was a teenager. I remember that Barb always had a ready smile on her face, and she loved to stand up and speak about how God had blessed her. She had a steady, clear singing voice, and I enjoyed watching her sing special music at church. Barb was a kind lady who never complained about her circumstances. I send my deepest condolences to her family at this time. I believe Barb is whole and healthy again in her new heavenly body and worshipping God with everything she has in her.

June 29 at 8:00 PM

KS

Ken Stewart posted:

To Paul & family, sending our condolences to your family, the Stewart's of Medina, Ohio

June 28 at 8:00 PM

AM

Anna Mckissic posted:

I will never forget you Barbara. You will always be in my heart even though I only met you personally 2-3 times. You shared a bit of yourself which allowed me to know my dad bit through you and Steven. For this I will always be grateful to you both. You always seemed like a true lady and I enjoyed the small amounts of time I was with you. I hope to continue to get to know you more through your son Steven. This will be hard on him but he will make it through. He has your will and determination. That he always told us you had raising the five kids as a single mother and working. You will live on through him and everyone you touched in your life. I look forward to hearing more about you as time goes on. I wish I would have known you longer but hope to meet you in Heaven someday. Your cousin, Anna.

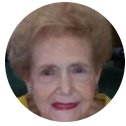
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WM

Wayne McCloskey posted:

Sorry for your families loss Steve, our prayers are with you. Wayne and Cathie McCloskey

June 28 at 8:00 PM



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MF

Michelle Fitch posted:

My Dearest Steven, I truly believe in the fact that Heaven was short an Angel on the day that your mother passed. And, he chose the best one to take up to the Pearly Gates. I know it hurts not having her with you here on earth but one day, in the right way. you will be joining her because I guarantee that you will deeply be missed by her as much as you miss her yourself. I am so hurt for you and tears will not quit streaming down my face just thinking about the pain that you are going through. It hurts so much to loose a loved one, especially the one that you knew the most and loved the most. You took such great care of her and I am so proud of you for being such a great son. I don't know what she would have done without you. Now, I don't know what you are going to do without her. I will never say like others do, that it get's easier with time, because NO it does not. And oddly enough it has almost been 3 years to the day that my father has passed. Just remember that he is there to show her the way. She is no longer in pain, just like my father and they both are definitely in the right place. I Love you very much and Send you my deepest deepest sympathy. God Bless you sweetheart.

June 28 at 8:00 PM

MW

Michelle Walsh posted:

Steven...my thoughts and prayers are with you. May the special memories that you hold close in your heart of your mom bring you peace and comfort during this difficult time. May God hold you in the palm of his hand. Love Michelle

June 28 at 8:00 PM

RD

Rebecca Deaton posted:

My deepest sympathies to your family.

June 28 at 8:00 PM

GS

Ginger Seese posted:

Barbara was a wonderful friend, not only to my Mother, but to me. She will be remembered for her kindness, and her love of life and her singing. I am so blessed to have had her in most of my life, My heart goes out to all the Family, We have lost a very special person, but Heaven gained an awesome Angel. Rest In Peace my dear friend, til we meet again.....

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ST

Stephen Tako posted:

Dear Provoznik Family: You all truly loved Barbara and she was blessed to have the love and support from your family. God bless all of you and you rejoice her life and yet grieve your loss.

June 27 at 8:00 PM

TT

Tara Tomak posted:

My deepest condolences to Steven and the rest of Barb's family. Barb was a beautiful lady inside and out and it was a real pleasure to have gotten to know and take care of her. She will be greatly missed. All my love and prayers.

June 27 at 8:00 PM

BF

Brandy Miller & Family posted:

Hugs to the family. I have many fond memories of Aunt Barbara as a child. The hurt associated with the loss of a parent is immeasurable as is, I'm sure, the loss of both siblings within months. Prayers for peace knowing that she is reunited with many angels that she has missed throughout the years.

June 27 at 8:00 PM

LJ

Leona Boswell (Boyd) And Zion Jones posted:

Steve, you and your family have my condolences. I know how it feels to lose your mother, the matriarch of your family. The bond that glued everyone together. And what you feel will never go away. But always remember what your mother wanted for you, and she will always be proud of you. Her love is what will carry you forward in life, remember she would want you to keep going forward. Stay strong..... I have nothing but love for you and your family, and you are in my prayers.

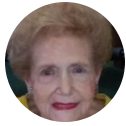
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JC

Jessica Cruz posted:

Barb was a beautiful lady, and it was a pleasure to have been a part of her life. My heart goes out to her family especially Steve who has cared for his mother every single day. I have never seen so much love and dedication in a person until I seen the way Steve cared for his mother. Barbara will be missed by many, but this is not a good bye, this is a see you soon in the kingdom of God!

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Shirley Pirl (Sladek) posted:

So Sorry for your loss. I remember your mom from when we were kids. She was such a special person. My thoughts an prayers are to all of you.

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Memories only last if you share them

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



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