



Barbara Ellen Demlow

June 11, 1957 - April 28, 2023

Tecumseh- Barbara Ellen Demlow, age 65 of Tecumseh, Michigan died peacefully at home under the care of Hospice of Lenawee on April 28, 2023. She was born on June 11, 1957, in Adrian, Michigan, to Alex J. and Orvetta A. (Bristoll) Lanczki. Barbara grew up in Adrian and graduated with the Adrian High School class of 1975. In December 2003 she married James R. Demlow and they shared many wonderful years together.

For many years Barbara worked in sales for the Adrian Daily Telegram. In 2019 her love of caring for animals encouraged her to start her own business, Barb's Fur Babies.

Barbara is survived by her husband, James, her mother, Orvetta A. Bristoll, siblings; Christine (Walt) Qualmann of Naples, FL, Mary Westfall of Adrian, MI, Joseph Lanczki of Ypsilanti, MI, Paul (Anita) Lanczki of Adrian, MI, Patrick (Katie Cunningham) Lanczki of Knoxville, TN; stepdaughters Melissa Snead and Stefanie Demlow and 5 grandchildren along with numerous nieces, nephews, and friends. Barbara was preceded in death by her father Alex, twin sisters, Cherry and Laura Lynn Lanczki, her paternal grandparents, Peter and Elizabeth (Pota) Lanczki and maternal grandparents James and Lois (Van Schoik) Bristoll.

The family wishes to extend their thanks for the care and compassion given by Hospice of Lenawee and the University of Michigan Cancer Center. Following Barbs' wishes, cremation has taken place with a private service under the care of Wagley Funeral Home, Adrian, Michigan.

Memorial contributions may be made to Hospice of Lenawee or to the Lenawee Humane Society.

Online condolences and memories may be shared at www.WagleyFuneralHome.com

Tribute Wall

TG

“ *Barb and I worked together at the The Daily Telegram. From the very first day I met her, she was confident and sharp witted. Barb stood her own, in every situation. Later, she was in my wedding and my family shared half of Jim and Barb's home. She cared for the cats in the neighborhood, and one of our first kittens was from a mama cat in Barb's care. When I think back on my own animal advocacy, I credit Barb as one of my first influences. She loved animals and had a huge heart.*

There aren't enough words to describe Barb. She is a special person who will not be forgotten.

My condolences to Jim and Barb's family.

Tiffaney Gruber - June 05, 2023 at 09:40 AM

EH

“ *Evelyn Ron Hejl lit a candle in memory of Barbara Demlow*



Evelyn & Ron Hejl - May 11, 2023 at 02:42 PM

CA

“ Deepest condolences to Barb's family and friends. We have had the good fortune to be neighbors to Barb and Jim for almost 9 years, and it has been a joy to know them and be with them. I can't begin to express my sorrow at your loss, but we will hold Barb in our thoughts and hearts, as we have been. She was a force of nature, kind, thoughtful, outspoken, intelligent, fun, brave, and loyal. Friend to all animals and (most) people. Barb - I will see your smile and hear your laugh always; you will be deeply missed.

Cathy - May 08, 2023 at 11:20 AM

NH

“ Barb and I worked at the Brass Lantern together, we had many laughs together. Such fun times. My sympathies to the family.

Norleen Hyder - May 07, 2023 at 07:22 PM

NB

“ I'm so sorry to hear of Barb's passing. We meet back in the Brass Lantern glory days and worked together for many and I have so many fun memories of going out with her!
My deepest condolences to her family

Nancy Butchart - May 05, 2023 at 06:42 PM

JR

“ I am so sorry for your loss. Barb was a wonderful lady and she was so good with my fur babies. They loved her very much and she will be deeply missed. 🙏🙏🙏🙏 For Barb, Jim and the entire Family 😞😞



James Rea - May 03, 2023 at 06:14 PM

SS

“ I'm so sorry for your loss. It's been a long time since our days at The Daily Telegram, but I remember Barb always being so upbeat. Thoughts with you all as you navigate this loss.
Stephanie Seidel

Stephanie Seidel - May 03, 2023 at 11:57 AM

PP

“ Mary, I am so sorry for the loss of your sister. I had the honor of meeting Barb while working at O' Hara Chrysler in Clinton. She would come in for ads for the Telegram. She was so friendly, happy and easy to talk with. She will be missed.

Penny Priest - May 02, 2023 at 11:28 AM

CG

“ We were so sorry to learn of Barbs passing. I did Barbs nails and we shared so many special moments. She gave me some words of wisdom that have become part of my life. “The right thing is always the hard thing” from Alex. She was very honest and supportive such a positive energy. We laughed and cried, talked about old movies, cooking all kinds of things. I enjoyed every minute of all the time we had. I haven't seen her in a long time, but I will miss her always. So glad she found Jim and his family. She found the joy she wanted in them.
Her family meant the world to her, the pride and love for all of them was so evident.
Another word of wisdom from her..” we don't get to keep people” I will keep the memories.....until we meet again love you, girl.

HL and Carrie Green.

Carrie Green - May 01, 2023 at 07:00 PM

TR

“ My memories of Barb are many and most involved some serious laughter. When I lived in Adrian, she was my partner in crime. She was always smiling, laughing, joking. I will cherish those memories for years to come. She loved her family and her pups so much! My condolences to the entire family. She will be missed.

Theresa (Toot) Robideau - May 01, 2023 at 10:35 AM

JJ

“ I will miss you Barb. You were a bridesmaid in my wedding and oh all the fun years we had at Brass Lantern. May you rest easy my friend and I will see you again one day. Love you.

Jill Johnson - May 01, 2023 at 09:07 AM

BB

“ Barb brought energy and enthusiasm to our work place. She excelled in her business relationships and as a coworker we had some great moments across the spectrum of emotions. So glad to have spoken with her recently. My memories will be cherished.
Bruce Banks

Bruce Banks - May 01, 2023 at 08:53 AM

SW

“ Condolences to Barb's family and friends. My husband and I were blessed to have Barb take care of our skittish rescue dog a couple years back while we went on a trip. Barb's passion for people and pets was so evident! Her honesty, compassion, and humor shone brightly. I know she touched many lives. May she rest in peace.



Sheila Wathen - April 30, 2023 at 07:48 PM

LV

“ *Barbara - You will be missed by so many who got to know you. You were so thoughtful and willing to help others and all the fur babies. I will always remember our times together. Thanks for all your hard work. Laura VanSickle*

Laura VanSickle - April 30, 2023 at 11:53 AM

RR

“ *I was fortunate to share conversation with Barb & Jim at at last official class reunion gathering at ZZ's. She was looking forward to her upcoming retirement and was content with her life with Jim. Her happiness was evident. I am thankful for our time together, and remember her as a kind person to all!*  

Robin Righter - April 30, 2023 at 09:57 AM