



## Barbara Jean DeWitt

July 20, 1950 - May 26, 2018

Barbara Jean DeWitt, age 67, passed away peacefully on Saturday, May 26, 2018. She was a beloved mother, wife, grandmother and friend. Her kindness, positive outlook, and willingness to help others will remain a lasting legacy to all who were fortunate enough to know her. Barb brought this positive outlook not only to her family, but also to the many children's lives she touched in her years as a school teacher.

Born July 20, 1950 in Niagara Falls, New York to James and Leona Lowell, Barb grew to become a diligent and determined student, graduating from Niagara Wheatfield High School before attending Adrian College, and later receiving a master's degree from Marygrove College. The lessons and values these experiences gave her would carry on throughout her personal and professional life.

Along with her husband, Peter, Barb relished every opportunity for a good adventure — whether it was vacationing in Hawaii, Alaska, Costa Rica, the Galapagos Islands, annual trips with college friends, or cruises all around the world with travel buddies. Still, she found nothing more rewarding than being with her family, and so many of her summers were spent relaxing and watching her children and grandchildren grow up in the family cottage in Grand Haven, MI.

Barb inspired everyone around her and met every challenge she faced with courage. She bravely fought a rare and aggressive cancer for 2 1/2 years, remaining positive and optimistic throughout her treatment. Barb's love for her family knew no bounds; even in those darkest of moments she carried the light that would guide her family through it.

Barb passed away peacefully, surrounded by her family and loved ones. She is survived by her mother Leona Lowell, sister Beverly (Flip) Delocienda, husband Peter DeWitt, son Jeff (Tracie) DeWitt, daughter Stephanie (Rich) Kamm, grandchildren Ethan DeWitt, Karly and Kayden Kamm, sister-in-law Clare Thompson, and many cousins, nieces, and nephews, all who played an important role in her life.

Visitation will be held June 22, 2018 at Wagley Funeral Home in Adrian, Michigan from 3pm-6pm. In lieu of flowers, donations can be made to Addison Elementary Library or Hospice of Lenawee. Online condolences and memories may be shared at [www.wagleyfuneralhomes.com](http://www.wagleyfuneralhomes.com).

# Previous Events

## Visitation

JUN **22**. 3:00 PM - 6:00 PM (ET)

Wagley Funeral Home (Adrian)

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# Tribute Wall



“ *Barbara Jean DeWitt*

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January 28, 2023 at 12:24 PM



“ *Barbara was always well-met and deeply dedicated to her lifelong interest in learning and education. Most all she was a great companion to her husband, Pete, adding quiet strength and wisdom to their long love affair..*

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**Jim Welch** - June 20, 2018 at 03:36 PM



“ *May the blessings of peace fall upon the DeWitt family as they celebrate Barb's life, her commitment to education and the love she shared with her husband, Pete , for 43 years.  
Jim Welch , Orlando FL. BZ '66*

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**Jim Welch** - June 18, 2018 at 04:00 PM

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“ I was sadden to hear about Barb. Both of my sons were Blessed to have had Barb as their first grade teacher. Barb was instrumental in helping my son Michael with his dyspraxia. Throughout his journey while learning to talk and his struggles with early on learning Barb was a beacon on hope, kindness and help. I have always said without Barb & Michelle Moorehead (from the ISD) my son would've never been granted the opportunities these two women gave him. What a true Blessing Barb was to my family as I'm sure she was to many others. Addison was truly Blessed to have had Barb. May God grant you all peace .

*Lisa (Morr) Deo  
Formerly of Addison*

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**Lisa Deo** - June 18, 2018 at 09:56 AM