



Barbara Nadine Hopps

September 2, 1939 - November 18, 2025

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Barbara Nadine Hopps, 86, of Petersburg, Illinois, passed away peacefully at her home surrounded by her loving family.

Born on September 2, 1939, in Havana, Illinois, Barbara was raised there alongside her six siblings and attended Havana schools. She later built a fulfilling life rooted in family, hard work, and compassion for others.

Barbara retired from the Illinois Department of Revenue after many dedicated years of service, but retirement never slowed her down. She worked a variety of other jobs before and after her time with the state — always finding ways to support and care for her family.

Known for her giving heart and steady kindness, Barbara found joy in life's simple pleasures. She loved the water, British television, Elvis Presley, teapots, flowers and spending time with her beloved dog, Toby. Later she moved to Petersburg with her daughter Lisa and played an active, loving role in helping raise her granddaughter, Sydney.

Above all, Barbara treasured her family. She adored being “Grandma/Grammie” to her many grandchildren and great-grandchildren, taking pride and delight in every new addition to her growing family.

Barbara is survived by her children Jeff (Tina) Hopps of Snicarte, IL; Eric (Sierra) Hopps of Tecumseh, NE; and Lisa Hopps of Petersburg, IL. She is lovingly remembered by her grandchildren and great-grandchildren: Jacob Hopps; Kyle (Megan, Cora & Ava) Hopps; Cody (Brooke, Hensley & Jerrick) Hopps; Seth (Letty, Jaxtyn & Kashton) Hopps; Sydney (Jon, Margaret & Elizabeth) Kinney; Katelyn (Amia) Meyer; Michaela (Zack, Braxton, Blaire & Brynlee) Cosner; Courtland Wirtz; and Patricia (Camilo & Vivian) Wirtz. She is also survived by her siblings Andrea Garvin, Kathy Bennet, Craig Lynch, and Julie Towe. Barbara was preceded in death by her parents Eva and Clifton Lynch, as well as her siblings Bill Lynch, Charlotte Royer, and baby Ronnie Whittemore.

Barbara's life was a testament to love, perseverance, and generosity. Her warmth and laughter will be deeply missed by all who were blessed to know her.

"I have fought the good fight, I have finished the race, I have kept the faith."
-Timothy 4:7

Memorial donations may be made to your local food pantry for families in need this holiday season.

Per Barbara's request, a private family graveside will be held at Rose Hill Cemetery in Petersburg.

Hurley Funeral Home in Petersburg is assisting Barbara's family with service arrangements. Please visit Barbara's online obituary at hurleyfh.com.

Cemetery Details

Rose Hill Cemetery

IL-123

Petersburg, IL 62675

(217) 632-3022

Tribute Wall

NE

“ *My thoughts and prayers go out to Barb and her whole family* ❤️🙏



Nancy Elliott - November 24, 2025 at 10:50 PM

BR

“ *Belle Fletcher Reed lit a candle in memory of Barbara Hopps*



Belle Fletcher Reed - November 24, 2025 at 10:45 AM

MF

“ *Jeff, Eric and Lisa. So sorry to hear about Barbs passing. She was a very nice lady and always kind to me. Our thoughts are with you. Peace and love my friends.*
Mark Ferree

Mark Ferree - November 22, 2025 at 10:22 AM

TC

“ *The Caspers purchased the Beautiful Dreams for the family of Barbara Nadine Hopps.*



The Caspers - November 21, 2025 at 11:29 PM

PS

“ *Patti Specketer lit a candle in memory of Barbara Hopps*



Patti Specketer - November 21, 2025 at 01:56 PM

LF

“ *Love, Angie, Mark, Monica and Families purchased the Fairest of All for the family of Barbara Nadine Hopps.*



Love, Angie, Mark, Monica and Families - November 21, 2025 at 12:20 PM

CB

“ *We are so sorry to hear of Barb's passing. Mark & Carol Buchanan*

carol buchanan - November 21, 2025 at 12:07 PM

JA

“ *Barb & I carpoled to Revenue together for a while, then one day she said I think I'm going to retire. I told her you won't be retired 6 months & you will be wishing you were still here working. I saw her about a month later & the first thing she said to me was sure wish I hadn't retired. By then she already had a part time job. We both had a laugh about that. She was always glad to see me & ask if I was still working.. Barb was a great lady & a good friend.*

Janie - November 21, 2025 at 11:09 AM

KM

“ Worked with Barb for awhile. She was always a Sweet Woman with a Wonderful sense of humor. She also knew my Mother Donna Friend Thompson.

Kimberly Mccoy - November 21, 2025 at 10:37 AM

LH

“ Larry and Mary Hundt sent a virtual gift in memory of Barbara Hopps



Larry and Mary Hundt - November 21, 2025 at 08:07 AM

SK

“ Sending love to Lisa and the family. So difficult to lose your mama.
❤️

Susan Keith - November 20, 2025 at 10:37 PM

CS

“ Craig Schaeffer lit a candle in memory of Barbara Hopps



Craig Schaeffer - November 20, 2025 at 07:14 PM

DW

“ Sorry for your loss Our thoughts and prayers for the family ❤️🕊️



Dan and Chris Wilson - November 20, 2025 at 05:28 PM

LM

“ Jeff, Eric and Lisa, I'm so very sorry for the loss of your mother. So many memories of growing up with her (and you all) I've never met a harder worker than Barb. Thinking of you all at this time.

Lorie Monroe - November 20, 2025 at 05:17 PM

JK

“ Sorry to hear of Barb's passing. Sounds that she had a fulfilling life and with many family members to help with that. Bless all the family and prayers go out to you.

John & Judy Karl - November 20, 2025 at 04:59 PM

TD

“ So sorry to hear of Barb's passing. Our thoughts and prayers go out to her family.

Terri DePatis - November 20, 2025 at 04:14 PM

AH

“ Angie Haarman lit a candle in memory of Barbara Hopps



Angie Haarman - November 20, 2025 at 02:50 PM

TH

“ *TERNI HINRICHS sent a virtual gift in memory of Barbara Hopps*



TERNI HINRICHS - November 20, 2025 at 01:39 PM

TF

“ *The Hopps Family purchased the Beautiful in Blue for the family of Barbara Nadine Hopps.*



The Hopps Family - November 20, 2025 at 12:48 PM