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Barbara Garwood Karpa, a loving mother, grandmother, and friend, passed away peacefully on April 13, 2025, in Denham Springs, Louisiana, at the age of 75.

Born in Clifton Forge, Virginia, Barbara was a devoted mother to three sons and was always lovingly present in their lives. Her kindness, unwavering patience, and gentle spirit shaped her family in untold ways. She taught her children how to find humor in every situation, how to weather life's challenges with grace, and how to treat others with compassion.

Barbara had a deep appreciation for classic movies and the music that accompanied them. She also loved the companionship of her pets throughout life, especially her cats and dogs. Those who knew her well will remember her unique sense of humor, which brightened all of our lives and will be profoundly missed. Her faith in God was strong and she always relied on Him for the strength she needed to raise her children and be there for her family. God worked through her in countless ways, until the very end, to leave a lasting impact on those who loved her.

She is preceded in death by her parents, Frank Snead Garwood and Elsie White Garwood, as well as her son, Joshua Bernard Karpa.

She is survived by her former husband, John Karpa III, her sons Geoffrey Karpa (Anne) and Sean Karpa (Chelsy), and three grandchildren: Amelia, Eleanor, and a grandson on the way. Barbara's legacy of love, laughter, and gentleness will live on through them.

Relatives and friends of the family are invited to attend a Memorial Services from the chapel of St. Jane de Chantal Church 72040 Maple St. Abita Springs, LA 70420, on Tuesday, April 22, 2025 at 10:00 a.m.

A Reception will follow at 80487 Lark Ln. Covington, LA 70435 from 12:00 p.m. until 2:00 p.m. Lunch will be provided.

Previous Events

Memorial Service

APR **22**. 10:00 AM (CT)

St. Jane de Chantal Church
72040 Maple St.
Abita Springs, LA 70420

Tribute Wall

MF

“ *Mariann Garwood Doyle and Family purchased the Emerald Garden Basket for the family of Barbara Garwood Karpa.*



Mariann Garwood Doyle and Family - April 21, 2025 at 02:44 PM

FF

“ *From the Bedoya Family planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Barbara Garwood Karpa.*

From the Bedoya Family - April 21, 2025 at 10:19 AM

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“ *From the Bedoya Family purchased the Sweet Sincerity for the family of Barbara Garwood Karpa.*



From the Bedoya Family - April 21, 2025 at 10:19 AM

TF

“ *The Knowles Family purchased the Peaceful White Lilies Basket for the family of Barbara Garwood Karpa.*



The Knowles Family - April 19, 2025 at 10:50 AM

NC

“ I have so many memories of my friendship with Barbara over the years. From our Radford College days, we always had fun singing on May 1 to celebrate the coming of Spring. Once she moved to New Orleans, I had a wonderful 2 week visit with her, exploring that fun city. And over the following years we shared our thoughts, adventures, troubles, & prayers with each other via very special cards & letters. I will miss her! You & the family are in my thoughts & prayers at this time of your loss. Love, Norma

Norma Colton - April 16, 2025 at 09:18 AM

GK

Thank you Norma! It was nice to talk to you yesterday

Geoff Karpa - April 16, 2025 at 05:03 PM

NW

“ Norma W. purchased the Beautiful Dreams for the family of Barbara Garwood Karpa.



Norma W. - April 16, 2025 at 09:09 AM

MF

“ Melinda R. Cagle and family purchased the Country Basket Blooms for the family of Barbara Garwood Karpa.



Melinda R. Cagle and family - April 14, 2025 at 07:49 PM