



Barbara A. Vedder

April 1, 1935 - April 8, 2017

Barbara H. Vedder, Ed.D, age 82, formerly of Royal Oak, passed away April 8, 2017. She was born April 1, 1935, in Worcester, Massachusetts to the late William and Loretta Henson.

Dr. Vedder, Child Psychologist, received her bachelor's degree from the University of Michigan and a master's degree and doctorate in education from Wayne State University. The consummate teacher, Dr. Vedder was an advocate for children and young adults and strove to help them reach their full potential. She worked at Wayne County Regional School Service Agency (W.R.E.S.A.) for 26 years as a Special Education Consultant for its 33 school districts. She also devoted over 30 years to the Fresh Air Society and Tamarack Camps as the Director of Silverman Village, a summer camp program for emotionally impaired children. In addition, Dr. Vedder had a love for dogs and for many years raised HRC Labrador Retrievers. During that time she helped many of her dogs become local and national HRC Field Champions.

Beloved wife of the late Dr. Robert L. Vedder (d. 2001); loving mother of Kurt Vedder of Cleveland, Jill (Scott) Howell of Royal Oak, and Lee Vedder of West Bloomfield; proud grandmother of 10 grandchildren and four great grandchildren.

A memorial celebration of Barbara's life and legacy will be held at Silverman Village at Tamarack Camps' Camp Maas in Ortonville, MI on May 20, 2017 from 2-4 p.m.

To attend, please RSVP\Register at the following Evenbrite URL: <<https://www.eventbrite.com/e/memorial-celebration-for-barbara-vedder-1935-2017-tickets-33735436599>>

Donations:

The Barbara H. and Robert L. Vedder estate has been invested in a trust fund established to continue sending deserving kids to summer camp. In lieu of flowers, the family invites friends to consider making a donation to the Barbara H. and Robert L. Vedder Scholarship Fund which will grow and provide camp experiences for deserving children now and many years to come. Donations can be made to the Barbara H. and Robert L. Vedder Scholarship Fund and mailed to 209 Baldwin Avenue, Royal Oak, MI 48067 or gifted at the following link: <<https://www.youcaring.com/thebarbarareobertveddercampsscholarshipfund-801188>>

Arrangements by Wm. Sullivan and Son Funeral Home, Royal Oak. Share your memories at www.sullivanfuneraldirectors.com <<http://www.sullivanfuneraldirectors.com/>>.

Previous Events

Celebration of Life

MAY **20**. 2:00 PM - 4:00 PM (ET)

Silverman Village - Tamarack Camps
4361 Perryville Road
Ortonville, MI 48462

Tribute Wall

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“ I had been searching in order to speak to Barb, only now learning of her death - the passing of a light in the dark. She stood alone in her depth of empathy, compassion, insight into individuals, and love. Seemingly without effort, she in fact realized her unique dreams for humanity. Very few others have. I have never met anyone remotely like Barbara Vedder, and it was my most fortunate privilege to work with her to empower so many, each in their own way. I feel her touch deeply. She lives on.

Craig Perdue, Ph.D.
Naturalist, Silverman Village

Craig Perdue - December 02, 2018 at 12:30 AM

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“ I am a former camper at camp tamarack at Silverman Village. The memory I would love share is my first day at camp barbara and another staff member took the time to calm me down, each of them shared a wonderful experience with me. They became a great friend to me I wound being a camper for 5 years. 1977 thru 1982.

Sincerely Lawrence Jablonowski aka Lawrence Perlmutter.

lawrence perlmutter - March 03, 2018 at 05:53 PM