



## JoAnne Barker

September 19, 1938 - February 27, 2017

Barker, JoAnne. Age 78. February 27, 2017.

JoAnne was born and raised in Royal Oak, Michigan. She attended Shrine of the Little Flower until high school, where she then went to Dondero. After high school she started work at General Motors as a secretary and it was there, where she met Bob Barker, who went on to become her husband. Together they had two girls, Shawna and Sherri, and eventually two grandchildren; Miranda and Cullen. She mostly was a stay at home Mom, always at home for her girls, caring for them, comforting them, loving them.

JoAnne always had a sunny disposition and a smile for anyone. She took in all of her children's friends growing up. She had the house that everyone wanted to come to and felt at home in. She loved with her whole heart. She laughed every day and never, ever was one to complain. She was everything to everyone she met.

She had a love of cats, computer games and chat rooms, family, friends, and eating out. She remained best friends with all her neighbors and looked forward to their lunches and breakfasts every week. She loved her home, her street, her neighborhood.

She had a great sense of humor, and usually always, made a room bust out

laughing.

She is irreplaceable. And will be missed beyond what words can convey.

Loving mother of Shawwna (Bryan) Tydings and Sherri (Trent Dziurman) Barker. Proud grandmother of Miranda J. Hoff and Cullen D. Messing. Former spouse of the late Robert Barker. She will also be missed by Paddy and Winter.

Visitation Saturday 10:30 a.m. until the time of service 1 p.m. at the Wm. Sullivan & Son Funeral Home, 705 W 11 Mile Road (4 blocks E of Woodward), Royal Oak.

In lieu of flowers, memorials to the Ferndale Cat Shelter "Catfé Lounge", 821 Livernois, Ferndale, MI 48220 are appreciated.

Share your memories at [www.sullivanfuneraldirectors.com](http://www.sullivanfuneraldirectors.com).

# Previous Events

## Visitation

MAR 4. 10:30 AM - 1:00 PM (ET)

Wm. Sullivan and Son Funeral Directors-Royal Oak  
705 W. Eleven Mile Road  
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## Funeral Services

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# Tribute Wall

VL

“ It's difficult for me to find the words of how amazing JoAnne was or how thankful I am that she was like a second mother to me and especially to say what an incredible job she did as a mother raising two BEAUTIFUL and wonderful daughters! JoAnne will be missed greatly, some lives will never be the same without her, but all will never be the same BECAUSE of her, because of how she was able to change one's life for the better, just by knowing her. 💕 I wish I would have been able to physically be there with Sherri, Shawna and all of those who loved her to be able to honor her... Just know that I was there in spirit and have you in my thoughts. I love you!

Vicki Lundy - March 04, 2017 at 02:29 PM

SA

“ I had only met JoAnne a few times, but the time in between the last two meetings was almost 26 years, and she made me feel as if it were just yesterday!! I had the pleasure of caring for her, and even when she didn't feel well, she made you feel well! That is a gift not everyone has!!! Sherri, I am so sorry for your loss!! Know that each day should be lived as if it were someone you loves last day!! Sam

Sam Allen - March 03, 2017 at 06:04 AM



“ Peaceful White Lilies Basket was purchased for the family of JoAnne Barker.



March 02, 2017 at 03:58 PM

RB

“ I met BOOOO in Pogo in 2000. We saw each other through deaths and diseases and many events like 9/11 and the D.C. sniper.... but most of all we shared the good times and many a laugh.. I remember the New Years Eve parties we had on line for those of us stuck at home, with many checking in before or after they went out. Never met in person...didn't need to. She is missed.  
byron000

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**rhonda beaman** - March 01, 2017 at 12:54 PM

JS

“ Too many memories. Still speechless and angry at myself for losing the only opportunity to say goodbye.

*I have had the kiss of death 4 times. Being blessed to come back. But I did have my own experiences, and everyone of recessions, I felt total and complete serenity. It is indescribable and complete feeling of peace.*

*Something that is definitely not found in life. The pain is gone, no haters. Being encompassed by God's arms, holding me tight, feeling safe.*

*So in this I am sharing, I know Momma B, is out of pain, out of grief, out of any and all situations that is bad vibes. She is in heaven, with no worries. Having the same feeling I experienced.*

*That is the best I can describe it. It is a feeling.*

*Momma B had a beautiful heart and soul. Taken too soon, (lost the best competition I had in Scrabble), so intelligence was a definite, she loved her grand babies, her putty tats with a passion, and of course her baby girls.*

*She will be missed in my life. I don't have a lot of friends, she was such an inspiration to me when I was deathly ill, just so strong. My mind is running all over the place, so I am sorry if you girls are not understanding. FB brought us back together, and that was a blessing for me. Even if for just a short time, but I was still able to have her back in my life, and my heart!! It was a pure love and blessings to me!! I will miss her terribly! If you girls need ANYTHING please call!*

*God Bless... ♡~Jack~♡*



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Jackie Szczepanski - March 01, 2017 at 12:28 PM

EK

“ I cannot put into words how much you will be missed my condolences to Sherri and Shawanna and their families. We didn't need to meet to be the best of friends. I loved Boots dearly. RIP my dear friend.

Love you

Earlene {Nene}

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**Earlene Kostek** - March 01, 2017 at 11:42 AM

CM

“ I met JoAnne many years ago on Pogo. She was sweet and cared deeply for her Pogo friends. She worried about us, helped us in times of stress, and loved us. I could not wait to be greeted by her every morning. I regret never meeting her in person. However, I was blessed to have known Bootsie, JoAnne's screen name. Rest in peace you lovely Lady!!!!

Grandma777/Connie

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**Connie Moser** - March 01, 2017 at 10:56 AM

RL

“ I am not exactly sure what I can add or say that everyone does not already know about JoAnne.... I am so sad for my dear friend Sherri, and her entire family. I met JoAnne 20 years ago while in RT school with Sherri. If Sherri loved you - JoAnne loved you and that was that. Always a kind word, a smile and hilarious comment after comment on anything we posted in FB. Always positive and happy we all called her "Momma" - I cannot believe she is in Heaven now - great for her, so incredibly sad for those left behind to mourn. Trying to put into words what my heart is feeling seems impossible... not sure the correct words exist for this incredible woman and the beautiful legacy she left behind. Sherri - (and all family and friends) My heart is just so broken for you all - I love you deeply and I will always be here for you to support you, just like I promised Momma Jo the last time I saw her..... Rest in Love, Joy, Peace and Happiness JoAnne, please send little kisses from Heaven for those that will miss you.



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**Rena Laliberte** - March 01, 2017 at 09:20 AM

SS

“ Shawna and Sherry I'm so sorry to hear of your moms passing. May God comfort you guys at this sad time of your lives. Your mom will surely be missed. You in our thoughts and prayers.

*Sean Shields*

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**sean shields** - March 01, 2017 at 07:19 AM

DS

“ So grateful you got to eat one more bite of my "green jello". I officially declare it will henceforth be called, "Aunt JoAnne's Jello"!

*Love and Hugs...*

*Your Sista Forever, Diane*

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**Diane Stock** - February 28, 2017 at 07:49 PM

SH

“ Looking thru your photos, your license, your stuff, your house....I will never be ok. I want to go back three weeks....I would have cared for you forever...

*Your baby girl always*

*xxxo*

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**Sherri** - February 28, 2017 at 06:03 PM