



## Pamela G. Barber

October 24, 1950 - March 8, 2024

Pamela Grace Barber, age 73, passed away March 8, 2024. She was born on October 24, 1950 in Ishpeming, MI, to Robert Darling and Grace Cain Darling. Pamela graduated from Negaunee High School in 1968 and studied elementary education at both Northern Michigan University and Wayne State University where she graduated in 1973. On June 25, 1971, Pam married the love of her life, Phil Barber, at St. Michael's Catholic Church in Marquette, MI. They went on to enjoy almost 53 years of marriage. They raised their family in Royal Oak, MI where they were members of National Shrine of the Little Flower Basilica parish for over 50 years.

Pam was an accomplished piano player. She was a beloved piano teacher within her community, even teaching many of her grandchildren! She enjoyed being a stay at home mom where she could participate in the lives of her children. She was an active member of the Shrine Grade School and Shrine High School parent communities while her daughters were in school. She was an avid sports fan, and particularly enjoyed watching the Detroit Tigers, Detroit Red Wings and professional bowling. A few of her favorite hobbies included crocheting, knitting, sewing and reading. Pam cherished her long standing friendships and most of all, she enjoyed spending time with her eight grandchildren~attending their many sporting events, school concerts, school plays and loved hosting swimming parties and sleepovers.

Beloved wife of Philip Barber. Loving mother of Natalie (Zach) Morgan, Allison (Brian) McCulloch and Diana (John) Dyer. Proud grandmother of Grace Morgan, Thomas Morgan, Leah McCulloch, Claire McCulloch, Megan McCulloch, Eileen Dyer, Caroline Dyer and Valerie Dyer. Dear sister of Sharon Darling. Predeceased by her parents, Robert and Grace Darling and her brothers, Robert and Dennis Darling.

Visitation Monday 3-8 pm at Wm. Sullivan & Son Funeral Home, 705 W. 11 Mile Rd (4 blks E. of Woodward), Royal Oak. Funeral Tuesday, in-state 10 am until time of funeral Mass 10:30 am at National Shrine of the Little Flower Basilica. Share your memories at [www.sullivanfuneraldirectors.com](http://www.sullivanfuneraldirectors.com).

# Previous Events

## Visitation

MAR 11. 3:00 PM - 8:00 PM (ET)

Wm. Sullivan and Son Funeral Directors-Royal Oak  
705 W. Eleven Mile Road  
Royal Oak, MI 48067  
(248) 541-7000  
royal@sullivanfh.com  
<https://www.sullivanfuneraldirectors.com/>

## Funeral Mass

MAR 12. 10:30 AM (ET)

National Shrine of the Little Flower Basilica  
2100 W. 12 Mile Road  
Royal Oak, MI 48073

# Tribute Wall

AB

“ Amy B. planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Pamela G. Barber.

Amy B. - March 11, 2024 at 04:01 PM

TD

“ Oh Pam a world without you in it will be so much less bright. From the moment our Mother put you in my 10 year old arms I was in love.  
You were such a courageous warrior and hero to us all. You fought each and every battle that came your way but like your loving husband said, “I wish she didn’t have so many of them”, as these past 10 years you had to fight one medical battle after another. I remember when you were being pushed into the operating room for one of your many surgery’s you had a smile and a thumbs up for us that were crying. My dearest Sister, you will live on thru us that had the privilege to know and love you. You will be sorely missed. 💔

The Darling - March 11, 2024 at 11:52 AM

HF

“ Hopkins Family purchased the Divine Peace Bouquet for the family of Pamela G. Barber.



Hopkins Family - March 11, 2024 at 11:18 AM

HF

“ Hopkins Family planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Pamela G. Barber.

Hopkins Family - March 11, 2024 at 11:18 AM

TS

“ Tony and Dorothy Smith purchased the Beautiful Dreams for the family of Pamela G. Barber.



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**Tony and Dorothy Smith** - March 11, 2024 at 11:13 AM

MH

“ Meagan Haas purchased the Enchanted Cottage for the family of Pamela G. Barber.



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**Meagan Haas** - March 11, 2024 at 10:48 AM



“ Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum was purchased for the family of Pamela G. Barber.



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March 11, 2024 at 09:49 AM

BT

“ Bode Technology purchased the Country Basket Blooms for the family of Pamela G. Barber.



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**Bode Technology** - March 11, 2024 at 09:18 AM

DW

“ *Derek and Amy Wilczynski planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Pamela G. Barber.*

Derek and Amy Wilczynski - March 11, 2024 at 09:08 AM



“ *Full Of Love Bouquet was purchased for the family of Pamela G. Barber.*



March 11, 2024 at 09:08 AM



“ *Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum was purchased for the family of Pamela G. Barber.*



March 11, 2024 at 08:14 AM

EG

“ *Erin and Mary Anne Gilchrist purchased the Emerald Garden Basket for the family of Pamela G. Barber.*



Erin and Mary Anne Gilchrist - March 10, 2024 at 10:20 PM

EB

“ Eric B purchased the *Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum* for the family of Pamela G. Barber.



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**Eric B** - March 10, 2024 at 09:45 PM

KF

“ Kevin, Mike, Shellie, and families. planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Pamela G. Barber.

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**Kevin, Mike, Shellie, and families.** - March 10, 2024 at 08:20 PM

KF

“ Kevin, Mike, Shellie, and families. purchased the *Medium Dish Garden* for the family of Pamela G. Barber.



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**Kevin, Mike, Shellie, and families.** - March 10, 2024 at 08:20 PM

SF

“ Stark, Smith & Bofferding families purchased the *Beautiful Heart Bouquet* for the family of Pamela G. Barber.



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**Stark, Smith & Bofferding families** - March 10, 2024 at 07:32 PM

SF

“ Susan Boyer and Family planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Pamela G. Barber.

Susan Boyer and Family - March 10, 2024 at 01:41 PM

SF

“ Susan Boyer and Family purchased the Sweet Tranquility Basket for the family of Pamela G. Barber.



Susan Boyer and Family - March 10, 2024 at 01:41 PM

YF

“ Your SHS Class of 2000 Family planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Pamela G. Barber.

Your SHS Class of 2000 Family - March 10, 2024 at 01:25 PM



“ Gracious Lavender Basket was purchased for the family of Pamela G. Barber.



March 10, 2024 at 01:25 PM

SF

“ Sister Sharon and family purchased the Rainbow Of Remembrance Spray for the family of Pamela G. Barber.



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**Sister Sharon and family** - March 10, 2024 at 01:05 PM

SF

“ Sister Sharon and family planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Pamela G. Barber.

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**Sister Sharon and family** - March 10, 2024 at 01:05 PM

BT

“ Brittany T. planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Pamela G. Barber.

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**Brittany T.** - March 10, 2024 at 12:21 PM

LF

“ Love, The Terry and Hill families purchased the Serene Retreat for the family of Pamela G. Barber.



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**Love, The Terry and Hill families** - March 10, 2024 at 11:49 AM



“ Ocean Breeze Spray was purchased for the family of Pamela G. Barber.



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March 10, 2024 at 11:35 AM

TF

“ *The Schulz Family purchased the Days of Sunshine Bouquet for the family of Pamela G. Barber.*



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**The Schulz Family** - March 10, 2024 at 11:34 AM

TF

“ *The Morgan Family planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Pamela G. Barber.*

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**The Morgan Family** - March 10, 2024 at 11:23 AM

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“ *The Morgan Family purchased the Gracious Lavender Basket for the family of Pamela G. Barber.*



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**The Morgan Family** - March 10, 2024 at 11:23 AM

JD

“ *Joe and Ana Dyer planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Pamela G. Barber.*

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**Joe and Ana Dyer** - March 10, 2024 at 10:39 AM



“ *Enchanted Cottage was purchased for the family of Pamela G. Barber.*



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March 10, 2024 at 10:39 AM



“ *Sharon Dyer purchased the Sweetest Sunrise Bouquet for the family of Pamela G. Barber.*



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**Sharon Dyer** - March 10, 2024 at 09:57 AM



“ *Kevin & Anna McCulloch and family purchased the Pink Potpourri Bouquet for the family of Pamela G. Barber.*



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**Kevin & Anna McCulloch and family** - March 10, 2024 at 09:19 AM



“ *Kevin & Anna McCulloch and family planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Pamela G. Barber.*

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**Kevin & Anna McCulloch and family** - March 10, 2024 at 09:19 AM

JB

“ Jeff, DeeDee, Justin, Kayla & Phil Benac purchased the Beautiful Heart Bouquet for the family of Pamela G. Barber.



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**Jeff, DeeDee, Justin, Kayla & Phil Benac** - March 10, 2024 at 09:01 AM

JB

“ Prayers to you family Jane Bryan

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**jane Bryan** - March 09, 2024 at 11:52 PM

TG

“ I worked with Pam on many projects over the years with the Mother's Clubs at the Shrine Grade School and Academy & High School. Pam was a gracious, dedicated and organized leader. Just a lovely lady in every aspect. My deepest sympathy to the Barber family.

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**Trish Guarino** - March 09, 2024 at 11:16 PM

CS

“ Pam will be greatly missed by her extended family of U.P. transplants. Pam and my mom have been great friends since their school days in Negaunee. Our families have been close for my entire life, and my childhood was full of parties with the Barbers and the rest of my parents U.P. clan. Pam was one of my first music teachers. Though I was never a very good student, she was always encouraging, and I can definitely attribute some of my musical talent to those days in Royal Oak sitting at her piano. I wish Patti and I could be at the service this week. Please know that we are thinking of all of you, and praying for peace and comfort for your family. Love Charlie, Patti, Matt, Liz, & Caitlin.

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Charlie Sunne - March 09, 2024 at 09:18 PM

TF

“ The Webb and Ewing Novy Families planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Pamela G. Barber.

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The Webb and Ewing Novy Families - March 09, 2024 at 09:09 PM



“ Serene Reflections Bouquet was purchased for the family of Pamela G. Barber.



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March 09, 2024 at 09:09 PM

KS

“ Pam (I still think of her as Mrs. Barber) was truly a second mother to me, as Natalie was a best friend since kindergarten. For my entire life she welcomed me into her home and fed me countless delicious meals (New Year’s Eve steak and twice baked potatoes was a fave!) She was always eager to hear about the latest in my life, sitting in her warm living room knitting while we regaled adventures of grade and high school. I was always honored that she was proud of my piano playing, since she was the OG pianist! Visiting her hometown of Negaunee for “cudighi” sausage pizza was such a special memory, especially since she taught Natalie and me about “buzzing the gut” #IYKYK. I will miss her and keep her in my heart always. Love you Mr. Barber, Natalie, Allison and Diana. Holding you close tonight and thinking of her and all she meant to me.

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**Karen Semone** - March 09, 2024 at 07:52 PM