



Barbara A. Larson

May 05, 1948 - March 23, 2021

Barbara A. Larson, 72, of Roland, died March 23, 2021, at the Israel Family Hospice House in Ames.

Funeral services will be held at 10:30 A.M. Friday, March 26, 2021, at the Bergen Lutheran Church in Roland. the service will be livestreamed and begin at 10:25 A.M., on the church's Facebook page, www.facebook.com/bergen.lutheran. Burial will follow in the Roland Cemetery. A flowing visitation will be Thursday, March 25, 2021, from 5:00 to 7:00 P.M. at Bergen Lutheran Church. Masks and social distancing will be required.

Barb was born on May 5, 1948, in Ames to Rudolph and Johanna (Osheim) Risdal. She graduated from Roland High School in 1966, and attended Luther College. Barb married Howard Larson on June 8, 1968. She worked at Roland-Story Schools, as head cook, for 33 years.

Barb enjoyed playing games and cards, going to her children and later her grandchildren's activities, working on crossword puzzles, taking photographs, watching NASCAR races, camping in Colorado and cooking. The thing that was most important to her was her family.

Barb is survived by her husband, Howie of Roland; two sons, Tom (Cheryl) and Jeff (Janet) Larson both of Roland; her daughter, Michelle "Missy" (Brent) Larson of Nevada; six grandchildren, Charles, Loralyn, Will, Jacob, Zach and Nick; a brother, Ronald (Sandy) Risdal of Roland and a sister, Julie Gilbertson of Albert Lea, MN.

She was preceded in death by her parents and a brother-in-law, Davis Gilbertson.

In lieu of flowers, a memorial has been established in her name.

Soderstrum Funeral Home has been entrusted with arrangements.

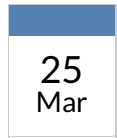
Cemetery



ROLAND CEMETERY

59168 130th St.,
Roland, IA 50236

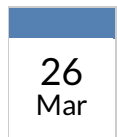
Events



VISITATION

5:00 PM - 7:00 PM

Bergen Lutheran
Church 101 W. Maple,
Roland, IA 50236
Masks and social
distancing are required.



SERVICE

10:30 AM - 11:00 AM

Bergen Lutheran
Church 101 W. Maple,
Roland, IA 50236
Masks and social
distancing are required.

Tribute Wall

P

Pauline Geist

Condolences to you all. Barb was a supportive kindergarten parent, as I was privileged to have her three children, and always smiled as she served the best school lunches in the state of Iowa. Prayers for comfort.

G

Gloria Hilker

BARBARA was a classmate and a 1st cousin. Only a few weeks younger than myself. I have many childhood memories. Staying out on the Risdal farm overnight. The creek and farm animals. Playing the piano. Johanna's great cooking. Barb visiting me in town playing in our playhouse, our creek. Making Indian headbands with Iris leaves from mom's flower beds. Playing cowboys and Indians. Enjoyed watching her play softball and basketball with her athletic talents. She had a great family and Howie was a great husband. I know she will be missed and passed too soon.



The Larsons Aaron, Nicole, Taylor, Maggie, and Kasey

Reminding those whom you support that your thoughts are with them.



"Sweet Tenderness"
was purchased for the family of Barbara A. Larson

[Tribute Store](#)

Show your support with flowers

J

Jenn (Sowers) O'Tool

My deepest sympathies to all of you. I have such fond memories of Barb, especially playing cards and just laughing in general. She was one of a kind and I always just adored her. My thoughts and prayers are with all of you at this time. Jenn (Sowers) O'Tool

V

Velma Teske

Loved Barb and cherished the years of knowing her and Howie. She will be missed by many. She is free! And is with her Saviour for eternity. God bless her loved ones with the happy memories.



Shera

Reminding those whom you support that your thoughts are with them.



"Full Of Love Bouquet"
was purchased for the family of Barbara A. Larson

[Tribute Store](#)

Show your support with flowers

P

Paul Jackson

When I think of Roland, Barb is always there. We had a great run of visits to the Oshiem farm, reunions, and then came the funeral's. The circle of life continues. My memories of Barb started when she would visit us in Minnetonka back when I was very young. It was then that I was introduced to her trademark hug. She showed that unconditional love to my soon to be wife Reena on day 1. I'll always remember that. I instantly felt comfortable and connected with Barb even when years at times would separate our last conversation. I loved her spirit most of all...powerful, loving, and full of joy. I will forever miss you Barb. Thank you again for the memories, support, the love, and the laughter. Say hello to the crew for me...I hope one day we all will see each other again.



"Material_candle_gold_thumbnail"
was lit in memory of Barbara A. Larson

[Light a candle](#)

Show your support by giving a symbol of remembrance



Kari (Frette) Martindale & Family

Reminding those whom you support that your thoughts are with them.



"Beautiful in Blue"
was purchased for the family of Barbara A. Larson

[Tribute Store](#)

Show your support with flowers



Kindra and Barry Jones

Reminding those whom you support that your thoughts are with them.



"Blue Caribbean"
was purchased for the family of Barbara A. Larson

[Tribute Store](#)

Show your support with flowers



Tribute Store

Reminding those whom you support that your thoughts are with them.



"Peaceful White Lilies Basket"
was purchased for the family of Barbara A. Larson

[Tribute Store](#)

Show your support with flowers



Tribute Store

Reminding those whom you support that your thoughts are with them.



"Full Of Love Bouquet"
was purchased for the family of Barbara A. Larson

[Tribute Store](#)

Show your support with flowers