



## Barbara A. Reed

March 18, 1933 - January 19, 2013

Barbara Anne Reed, 79, of Penn Avenue, Knoxville, passed from this life to the next on Saturday, January 19, 2013, at home.

Born March 18, 1933, in Venus; Barb was the daughter of the late William and Louella Smathers.

She was a 1950 graduate from Shippenville High School.

Barb was married in the Knoxville United Methodist Church on October 24, 1950, to Laird Eugene Reed, who preceded her in death February 21, 2006.

Early in her marriage, Barb worked at Sylvania in Brookville. When her children were born, she “worked” as a homemaker. She will be fondly remembered for her candy making skills, especially at Christmas. She loved visits from grandchildren, camping at Deer Meadow campground, and playing the keyboard. She also enjoyed going “trucking” with her husband, an over-the-road truck driver. She had many on-line e-mail friends around the world and will be missed by all.

She is survived by five children, Debra Barron and husband, Ken of Marienville, Janis Murray and husband, Patrick, Brian Reed and wife, Kathy, Craig Reed and wife, Suzie, all of Knoxville, and Lance Reed and wife, Dawn, of Clarion; 12 grandchildren, Jenifer Rinker and fiancé, Keegan, Melisa Murray, Kirstin Heynye, Billie Jo Reed and friend, Justin, Brian Reed II, Sara Reed, and Scott Reed, Anna Reed, Laird Reed II and wife, Alyssa, Leroy Reed, Alexia Reed, and Aliya Reed; and 11 great-grandchildren.

She is also survived by her brother, Ken Smathers of Florida, and numerous

beloved nieces and nephews.

In addition to her parents and husband, Barb was preceded in death by an infant daughter, Sally Anne; a granddaughter, Jesi Murray; and brothers, Harold (Smokey) Smathers, Bill Smathers, Don Smathers, Richard Smathers, and Russ Smathers.

At her request, there will be no viewing.

Funeral services will be private for the family.

Interment will be held at the Venus Cemetery.

The Robert V. Burns Funeral Home in Clarion is handling the arrangements.

The family suggests memorial donations be made to Knox United Methodist Church, P.O. Box 307, Knox, PA 16232, Knox Area Volunteer Ambulance Co, P.O. Box 636, Knox, PA 16232, or Knox Public Library, PO Box 510, Knox, PA 16232.

# Tribute Wall

JM

“ *Forever remembered. Lovely memories of a dear friend, although never met and miles apart. Your emails always told a story of everyday happenings. Interesting, loving, educating and the ones about your baking or meal prep always got me hungry :-)  
Remembered with LOVE. Love/Hugs to Family and Friends*

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**Jan-Maree Mason** - January 29, 2013 at 12:00 AM

DE

“ *hi debra  
so sorry to hear of barbs passing.. i used to play golf online with her...on the courses i designed..a lot of fun..i know she used to play jack nik golf when able...thank you for letting us all know...yes ill miss the e mails...have known her a few years now....im glad she enjoyed her e mail chums...thanks again bye for now del skilton and tina and busby the dog*

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**del** - January 26, 2013 at 12:00 AM

HB

“ *It is with great sadness to hear the passing of our Dear Friend Barb and we send our deepest Sympathy to the entire Reed Family. Our prayesr are with you.  
Sincerly from the Bartel Family*

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**Harry &Dorothy Bartel** - January 26, 2013 at 12:00 AM

BS

“ To:  
*Debbie,Janis,Brian,Craig and Lance Reed*  
*Please accept our Condolences in the loss of your mother, she will be missed.*  
*Love*  
*Aunt Edith and cousins Bruce and Duane Smathers*

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**Bruce Smathers** - January 22, 2013 at 12:00 AM

MM

“ *Deb, So sorry to hear about your mom. Your family is in my prayers. May God comfort you all.*

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**Mae McGuire** - January 22, 2013 at 12:00 AM

WT

“ *Dear Deb,*  
*So sorry to hear about your Mom.*  
*May God comfort you now and know you are in my prayers.*  
*Love, Wendy*

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**Wendy Tharan** - January 21, 2013 at 12:00 AM