



## Barbara Jean Vargo

August 30, 1947 - June 3, 2019

Barbara Jean Vargo (formerly Savich, Davis) age 71, passed away on June 3, 2019 in Merrillville, IN after a courageous battle with brain disease. Barb was a proud graduate of Merrillville HS, class of 65. She married the love of her life, Jim Vargo on August 19, 1989. They were married 30 years and had the time of their life with many friends and entertainers such as Jay Black, David Summerfield, Little Anthony, The Sky Liners just to name a few. They made many memories through their incredible dancing at Stardust Bowl (they were nicknamed the Grinders), as part of the Jim Dandy's 50s and 60s dancers and more recently at Buddy and Pals. A highlight for Barb was when Dick Biondi called Barb and asked her and Jim to dance at a big dance he was hosting in Chicago. Barb and Jim also enjoyed camping and socializing with their camping friends at Indiana Beach campground. Barb worked at Gary Screw and Bolt from 1967-1985 and retired from BP Amoco in 2007 where she worked as a Chief Operator. She is survived by her loving husband James "Jim" Vargo, her children-Yvette Cook, Jason Savich (Corby Clark), Justin (Jessica) Savich. She was the most fun loving and wonderful Grandma Barb to her 6 grandchildren-Christian Cook, Hannah (Marcus) Piscuc , and Austin, Joanna, Lydia, and Matthew Savich; siblings-Janet (Chuck) Newell, Charles (Brenda) Davis, Sandra (Mark Dooley) Davis, Virgil Ray Jr. (Mary) Davis, Renee (John) Lawrence; numerous aunts uncles, cousins, nieces and nephews; ex-husband-Sam Savich and a special thanks to Sheila Ferguson and Corby Clark who both lovingly cared for Barb in her final years. Visitation

on Thursday, June 6, 2019 from 10 am until the time of the funeral service at 1 pm at Burns Funeral Home, 10101 Broadway, Crown Point, IN. Interment at Chapel Lawn Cemetery, Schererville, IN. [www.burnsfuneral.com](http://www.burnsfuneral.com)

# Cemetery Details

## Chapel Lawn Memorial Gardens

8178 Cline Ave  
Scherville, IN 46375

# Previous Events

## Visitation

JUN 6. 10:00 AM - 1:00 PM (CT)

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## Funeral Service

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# Tribute Wall



“ Dawn of Remembrance Basket was purchased for the family of Barbara Jean Vargo.



June 05, 2019 at 01:27 PM



“ Small Garden Dish was purchased for the family of Barbara Jean Vargo.



June 05, 2019 at 01:02 PM



“ Mark just reminded me at our wedding reception how beautiful Barb was and that she flirted at the dollar dance and said, oh I'm dancing with him! 😊 She will truly be missed!

Tammy - June 05, 2019 at 11:55 AM



“ Barb was such a wonderful person and definitely larger than life. When I had oral cancer and literally got me through radiation by advising me what to eat and just encouraging me. She will be greatly missed. Rest In Peace Barb 🙏🙏

Susan Aragona - June 05, 2019 at 10:55 AM



“ A New Sunrise Spray was purchased for the family of Barbara Jean Vargo.



June 05, 2019 at 10:14 AM



“ From 2nd cousin Bob & Martie Szillage and Family purchased the Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum for the family of Barbara Jean Vargo.



**From 2nd cousin Bob & Martie Szillage and Family - June 04, 2019 at 11:11 PM**



“ Full Of Love Bouquet was purchased for the family of Barbara Jean Vargo.



June 04, 2019 at 06:23 PM



“ Aunt Sandra, Uncle Wray, Tammy, Mark, Kelly, Rick purchased the Enduring Grace for the family of Barbara Jean Vargo.



**Aunt Sandra, Uncle Wray, Tammy, Mark, Kelly, Rick - June 04, 2019 at 03:19 PM**



“ *Garden Accent - A heart of gold stopped beatin  
g... was purchased for the family of Barbara Jean  
Vargo.*



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June 04, 2019 at 02:04 PM



“ *Be My Love Bouquet with Red Roses was  
purchased for the family of Barbara Jean Vargo.*



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June 04, 2019 at 01:37 PM



“ *Serene Reflections Bouquet was purchased for  
the family of Barbara Jean Vargo.*



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June 04, 2019 at 01:24 PM