

You never said I'm leaving,
You never said goodbye.
You were gone before I knew it,
And only God knew why.

A million times I needed you,
A million times I cried.
If love alone could save you,
You never would have died.

In life I loved you dearly,
In death I love you still.
In my heart you hold a place,
That no one could ever fill.

It broke my heart to lose you,
But you did not go alone.
For part of me went with you,
The day God took you home.

-Author Unknown



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Forever in our hearts

*Barbara Kay
Santoni*

November 23, 1948 - April 14, 2022

BARBARA KAY SANTONI (née Wheeler), of Lethbridge, beloved wife of the late Danny Santoni, passed away peacefully in her sleep at home, on Thursday, April 14, 2022 at the age of 73 years.

Besides her beloved husband Danny who passed away only a month before, Barb was predeceased by her parents Vincent and Ester Wheeler, parents-in-law Pietro and Esther Santoni, her brother Jim (Ivy) Wheeler, her sisters-in-law Rosi Bonora and Arlene Wheeler.

She is survived by her only child, Michael (Denise) and their children Ava, Danilo, Vivviana, Taylor (Alex), and Kelsey; her brothers Gary and Darren (Penny) Wheeler, sister Marilyn (Jamie) Christie, and brothers-in-law Corrido (Marilyn Goruk), George (Pat) Santoni and Mario (Addy) Bonora. Barb is also survived by numerous nieces, nephews, cousins and treasured friends.

Barb was born on November 23, 1948, the middle of five children. Barb met Danny Santoni in 1967 just after completing college. Danny was too shy to ask Barb out, so he had a friend call her first. He met all of the criteria Barb had set in her mind for her husband when she was five years old – he was handsome, he was Italian, Danny wasn't a "stupid name", and his last name ended in an "i". They were engaged on Christmas Eve 1969, and were married on August 8, 1970. They had one son, Michael in 1974. Barb's early life was spent working for the City of Lethbridge in various roles. In her later life, Barb was a doting Nonna and enjoyed knitting, crocheting, sewing, gardening and painting.

Celebration of Life

Cornerstone Funeral Home
2825 - 32nd Street South, Lethbridge, Alberta
Friday, April 22, 2022, at 12:00 PM

Darren Wheeler Officiating

Order of Service

Opening Song - *Wind Beneath My Wings* - Bette Midler
Welcome - Darren Wheeler
Tribute - Karen van de Vendel, speaking for Marilyn Christie
Musical Selection - *Unforgettable* - Nat King Cole
Tribute - Gary Wheeler
Tribute - Kelsey Paton
Musical Tribute - *Blue Eyes Crying In The Rain* -
Performed by Karen van de Vendel
Closing Words - Darren Wheeler
Closing Song - *Somewhere Over The Rainbow* -
Performed by Karen van de Vendel & Anna Fujita

Luncheon

During this time, we leave the floor open to those who wish to share their memories of Barbara.

Interment

Following the Service, Barbara will be laid to rest with her beloved Danny in Mountain View Cemetery