



## Barbara Jean Madison

April 8, 2013

Barbara Jean Madison, age 70, of Dublin, died peacefully on Monday, April 8, 2013. Barbara got on a bus and left St Albans, WV after high school and came to Columbus to live with her aunt and uncle who was a general contractor. Her uncle was doing some work in the office of the Ohio Veterinary Medical Association (OVMA) for the elected secretary, Dr. Rebraisser. Dr. Rebraisser was in need of a secretary so Barbara's uncle introduced them. This began their years of friendship. Barbara loved him as a father. When Gene King was hired as the Director of the OVMA he elected to have Barbara continue to work with him and the organization. Her association lasted 42 years and she never missed one day during her tenure because of illness. She was promoted to Assistant Director of the OVMA during the last years of Mr. King's employment. The organization was committee based under the direction of Mr. King with the able assistance of Barbara. During those 42 years the association grew and hosted one of the largest annual Veterinary meetings in the USA. It provided excellent continuing education courses to the members in Ohio and practitioners though out the USA. After retirement from the OVMA, Barbara continued to work with the Columbus Academy of Veterinary Medicine; the OVAT (Ohio Veterinary Association of Technicians); the Virginia Gay Trust serving retired teachers; the director of the Annual Boyne Highlands CE and Ski week which just celebrated its 41st year in January; Secretary of the MedVet Charitable Foundation; the Dublin-Worthington Rotary Club where she served as their Secretary for several

years. She also enjoyed the Worthington Friday Morning Prayer Breakfast. Barbara was loved by all the many people who had any contact with her and she, in turn, loved them as well. She is survived by her sisters, Carolyn Jo Griffith, Moorefield, WV, Susan Bosley (Bill), Charleston, WV, and George Madison (Joan) Waynesboro, VA.; nine nieces and nephews; several great and great great nieces and nephews. Other good friends are Milt and Marlyn Wyman and George and Linda Norris. Memorial Service 1 p.m. Saturday, April 20, 2013 at Worthington Presbyterian Church, 773 High Street, Worthington, followed immediately by a fellowship gathering in Barbara's memory. In lieu of flowers memorials in Barbara's memory may be directed to The Ohio State University, College of Veterinary Medicine, Veterinary Ophthalmology Residency, 1900 Coffey Rd., VMAB 125L, Columbus, OH 43210 or Dublin-Worthington Rotary Foundation, PO Box 181, Worthington, OH 43085 or a charity of your choice . Arrangements by Rutherford-Corbin Funeral Home, Worthington. Please visit [www.rutherfordfuneralhome.com](http://www.rutherfordfuneralhome.com) to send on-line condolences.

# Tribute Wall



“ *Barbara Jean Madison*

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January 28, 2023 at 10:24 AM



“ *I met Barb for the 1st time on Wednesday March 20, 2013. My first time visiting Dublin-Worthington Rotary, She was the first person I met we had lunch together every Wednesday afterwards on the 27th and then on April 3rd. She told me goodbye as she had to leave 20 minutes early. I never knew Barb was ill, she never complained, and always smiled and was happy to see me. I was devastated and shocked to find her passing. She was a friendly warm face to see since I was a new member of Rotary, I will miss her smiling friendly presence. God bless you and your family. Kathy Williamson*

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**Kathy Williamson** - May 06, 2013 at 12:00 AM



“ *Barbara was a sweet and kind woman, always putting the needs of others before herself. As a member of the Rotary Club of Dublin Worthington I had the privilege of seeing Barbara each week and to work closely with her during my year as President. She served our Club as secretary for many years. I will miss her smile and grace and I will forever see her in my mind's eye as I walk into LaScala each Wednesday. To her family, my sincere condolences. Barbara was a gem that touched the lives of many and she will be sorely missed by all who knew and loved her.*

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**Roe Mauro** - April 30, 2013 at 12:00 AM

LS

“ Barbara was truly a lovely, giving woman. I will miss her smile. I pray that the Lord will comfort you in your time of sorrow. You have my deepest sympathy.

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**Lenore Southerland** - April 19, 2013 at 12:00 AM

KM

“ During my brief time with the Dublin Worthington Rotary, Barbara was always the first to call out my name and make me feel welcome, I would seek her out to sit with her because of her sweetness and genuine caring nature. Very sad to hear of her passing and I wish I had stayed with Rotary to have gotten to know her even more.

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**Kip Morse** - April 18, 2013 at 12:00 AM

LG

“ We had the honor and pleasure of knowing Barbara for the past 48 years, first as a customer and then as a friend. She was always a pure joy to be with and she will be missed by many.

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**Lorna & Chuck Graham** - April 18, 2013 at 12:00 AM

MC

“ To the family of Barbara Jean Madison. Was certainly sad to see that Barbara had died and am sad. She was a dear friend in school and she was a dear sweet person. Lots of memories. Take care.

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**Mary Louise Scholl Carr** - April 16, 2013 at 12:00 AM

AW

“ Barbara was a true friend and professional to the Ohio Association of Veterinary Technicians. She supported the Ohio Veterinary Technicians and with her guidance and leadership, OAVT grew to be a respected organization. She will be missed! My condolences to her family and friends.

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**Amy Jo Williams** - April 16, 2013 at 12:00 AM

PD

“ Barbara was an amazing lady who cared so much for the veterinary profession. She was a true professional and guided the Ohio Association of Veterinary Technicians to be the best we could be as an organization. She will be dearly missed and we will always remember her as our advocate in veterinary medicine.

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**Peggy Dahlhausen** - April 14, 2013 at 12:00 AM

GL

“ Barbara was such a wonderful person. Her kindness, dedication, and smile will be missed!

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**George Leugers** - April 12, 2013 at 12:00 AM