

Meador, Barbara Sue (Boydston)

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Barbara Sue Meador

Barbara Sue Meador, 80, passed away peacefully on Wednesday, July 7, 2021.

Funeral is 11 a.m. Saturday, July 17, at Lake (Arlington Baptist) Church, 2912 Little Road, in Arlington with the Revs. Tommy Foster and David Jenkins officiating.

Interment will follow at Moore Memorial Gardens in Arlington. Memorial gifts may be made to Lake Church Youth Ministry.

Barbara was born Feb. 8, 1941, in Decatur to Leonard Frank Boydston and Meda Faye McDaniel Boydston. She had a wonderful childhood on a dairy farm north of Decatur. From the very beginning, she was involved in church. As soon as she was able to play the piano, she was often the pianist or organist at their church in Decatur. Her mother and father frequently sang at church, and Barbara would always be the organist when her mom sang at funerals.

Barbara met David Meador at Decatur High School and started dating him at the age of 15. She referred to him as “My Dave” from that point on. They married on Sept. 5, 1959, in Decatur, soon after high school graduation. Their two daughters, D’Ann and

Beverly, came shortly thereafter before the little family moved to Arlington in 1966. Their son David II was born in Arlington in 1969. When the family moved to Arlington, Barbara worked at a bank as she had previously done in Decatur, but her greatest contribution to the family income was being an integral part of Dave’s success when he began working in outside sales in 1971. Barbara ran his home office and was his biggest cheerleader. She was the epitome of organized, with files and notes for everything. Barbara was also an active member of Lake Arlington Baptist Church where she often played the piano and organ, and for many years was most certainly found in the nursery rocking the bed babies. The Life Cycles Sunday School class and her Bunco group were important parts of her church experience. Family always came first, and Barbara would do anything to make sure the kids and grandkids had everything that they needed or wanted. She was lovingly known as Meme to the seven grandchildren and two great-grandchildren that she adored. Barb and Dave meticulously planned annual family trips that included both kids and grandkids. The family will always treasure the memories of those trips. Barbara enjoyed writing, journaling and sending notes of encouragement. For Christmas 2011 she presented all three children with two handwritten books of memoirs of both her and Dave’s life stories. She spent several months that year recording their memories in legacy books so that each child would have two handwritten books to cherish. For years she wrote daily journals that had day to day events recorded. Along with that, she was a Prayer Warrior for many, with prayers also written in her journals. There was no doubt that she loved her people more than anything, second only to God, and that is evidenced in everything she did. As much as we will miss Barbara, we are satisfied knowing that God came first and with that we know that we will see her again someday in Glory, and that will carry us through.

She is survived by her son, David Vernon Meador II and wife, Tisa, of Beaverton, Ore.; daughters, D’Ann Roberts and husband, Adam, of Crowley, Beverly Damon and husband, Duane, of Arlington; brother, Leonard Bart Boydston of Los Angeles, Calif.; sisters-in-law Donna Jones and Debbie Harr and husband, Lamar; grandchildren, Mason Roberts and wife, Dakota, Reagan Roberts and wife, Madeline, Bailey Roberts, Morgan Damon, Mackenzie Damon, Zachary Meador, Lyndsey Meador; great-grandchildren, Karsyn Roberts and Madisyn Roberts; niece, Teresa Bailey and husband Raymond; nephew James Davidson and wife Felicia, as well as many good friends and family.