



Mary Elizabeth "Beth"
LaBarbera

Sept. 1, 1962 - Sept. 28, 2024

Mary Elizabeth "Beth" LaBarbera, 62, of Morganton, NC, died Saturday, September 28, 2024.

Born on September 1, 1962, she was the daughter of the late James David Berry, Sr. and Freda Mayo Berry.

Beth was a longtime employee of Peoples Bank in Newton, NC. She retired as Senior Vice President – North Regional Sales Manager. Beth was a member of Missionary Ridge Baptist Church, Kiwanis International Club, and a founding member of the TT Club.

She dearly loved her family and friends. Beth enjoyed reading, crafting, and trips to the beach. She also enjoyed feeding and watching her birds on the front porch, as well as feeding and caring for the baby calves.

Beth is survived by her husband, Joseph LaBarbera; daughters, Whitney Masterson (Jon) and Erin Hart (Brett); grandchildren, Logan Masterson and Morgan Hart; brother, David Berry (Crystal); sister-in-law, Deborah LaBarbera; niece, Jamie Berry; and nephew, Tripp Berry.

The family will receive friends from 2 to 4 p.m., Thursday, October 10, 2024 at

Missionary Ridge Baptist Church. The memorial service will follow at 4 p.m. in the church.

Memorial contributions may be made to [Missionary Ridge Baptist Church Building Fund](#) or to [Amorem Hospice](#).

Sossoman Funeral Home and Crematory Center is assisting the family with the arrangements.

Tribute Wall



Prayers to the family. I enjoyed working with her at Peoples Bank, she will be missed.

—Vicky Martin

—Charles gordon

We have known the family for many years through Skip & Tina Isenhour (our family). Joe and Beth are extended family to Skip and Tina by choice. It is a beautiful family. Beth is a beautiful gracious woman.

—Gary & Pamela Meyers

—Pastor Lisa Marshall

Family, Beth now resting in her Heavenly Place with her Lord. ..No doubt about! Her love and kindness will never be forgotten. That million dollar smile lives on forever. So carry on family because that is what she would want you all to do. I will never forget her and the Bright Faith and Hope that she brought to everyone she encountered. Family God blessed you will a jewel. Rest on My Friend! Lisa Marshall

—Pastor Lisa

My deepest condolences to her family, May God peace and strength surround the family in days ahead. Marshel Carson

—Marshel Carson

Dear Family. I met Beth in the Spring of '23 at a Walk to Emmaus weekend. She told us about her cancer and we prayed for her healing! She was a positive and courageous lady. My sincere sympathy as you move forward without her. God's comfort and peace .

—Nancy Ferguson Brown

I am deeply sorry for your loss! Beth was a classmate of my and a friend! She had a heart of gold and a smile that warmed my heart! You and your family are in my prayers a, May God give you peace and comfort! God bless, Bonnie Perkins

—Bonnie Perkins



So sorry for your loss. Praying God will give you comfort and peace in the days ahead.

—Tammy Buchanan

I knew Beth 40 yrs ago when Whitney was in my day care ...she was always upbeat and loved her family..God has gained and angel.

—Linda Johnson



—Julie Duckworth



Joe and family, Thinking of you all during this difficult time. May God's Peace and Comfort surround you all now and in the days ahead. Trudy Williams and family

—Trudy Williams



I worked with Beth for many years @ Peoples Bank. I will always remember her positive attitude, her infectious laugh and smile, but mostly just a good person with a big heart. Beth will truly be missed by all. Prayers for her family during this time.... Shawn

—Shawn Sigmon

Beth was a member of my Emmaus table two years ago. During that time, she was going through treatments. She was so positive and happy even given her circumstances. She blessed me and so many others with her smile, her faith and her unique outlook on life. I pray for you all in the coming days that you will find strength, peace and know that you were truly loved by Beth and that she was so proud of each member of her family.

—Alana Wilson Parks

Words cannot express the sadness this brings. Beth was such a sweet lady and I enjoyed being a part of the Peoples Bank family with her. I know her suffering no longer torments her and am glad she is now at peace with her Heavenly family. Praying for her earthly family in the days ahead.

—Sandy Palmer





–Anonymous