



## Elizabeth Ann "Bette" Barber

June 24, 1933 - November 12, 2023

Elizabeth Ann "Bette" Barber, of Salisbury, NC passed away Sunday, November 12, 2023 at Compass Healthcare.

Born June 24, 1933 in New York, she was the daughter of the late John Elbert Kepley and Elizabeth Catherine Becker.

Mrs. Barber is a graduate of Cleveland High School and earned her associate degree from Salisbury Business College. Mrs. Barber worked as the obituary writer at the Salisbury Post news desk for many years. She was past president of the Salisbury Pilot Club and the Norfolk Southern Wives Club. She was a member of Christ Episcopal Church in Cleveland, NC. She enjoyed her lunch dates with friends, loved her grandkids and taking care of everyone in the family.

Along with her parents, preceding her in death is her husband, Walter Byron Barber, Sr. and sister, Margaret Kepley.

Those left to cherish her memory are her sons, Walter Byron "Wally" Barber, Jr., Alan Wendell Barber (Robin), John Claude Barber (Pam); grandchildren, Adam Bailey, Jana Gaudet, Corey Barber, Chase Barber; additional grandson, Harlem Jones; great-grandchildren, Bailey Gaudet, Hardy Gaudet, Miles Barber; and special cousin, Barbara Perrell.

Visitation will be held from 6-8pm November 14, 2023 at Summersett Funeral Home. Funeral service will be held at 3pm Wednesday, November 15 at Christ Episcopal Church in Cleveland, NC. Burial will follow in the church cemetery. Memorials may be made to Christ Episcopal Church, 3430 Old Hwy 70,

Cleveland, NC 27013.

Summersett Funeral Home is serving the Barber family. Online condolences may be made at [www.summersettfuneralhome.com](http://www.summersettfuneralhome.com).

# Cemetery Details

## Christ Episcopal Church Cemetery

Cleveland, NC

# Previous Events

## Visitation

NOV 14. 6:00 AM - 8:00 PM (ET)

Summersett Funeral Home  
1315 W. Innes St.  
Salisbury, NC 28144  
(704) 633-2111  
<https://www.summersettfuneralhome.com>

## Funeral Service

NOV 15. 3:00 PM (ET)

Christ Episcopal Church  
3430 Old Hwy 70  
Cleveland, NC 27013

# Tribute Wall

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“ Wally, so sorry to read, just now, of your Mom's passing. Any time I would see her out in Salisbury we would always talk. She was always a very sweet person. I had no idea that we shared the same birthday! Prayers of comfort and peace for your family.

*Sincerely, Bettina Lail*

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**Bettina Lail** - November 26, 2023 at 06:35 PM

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“ I know Bette was the rock for her family. She also was a second mother for me and other young reporters at the Salisbury Post many, many years ago, We took turns working beside Bette in the mornings, helping her with the obituaries , though she took the lead. She brought a positive attitude to work everyday, which I always appreciated, and she was a sounding board and cherished friend to her colleagues. A wonderful person who I will always remember. She loved her boys and my heart goes out to them. What a great lady! Mark Wineka

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**Mark Wineka** - November 15, 2023 at 10:27 PM



“ Arrive in Style was purchased for the family of Elizabeth Ann "Bette" Barber.



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November 15, 2023 at 12:15 AM

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“ *May Bette rest with the saints in the eternal light of God.*

*Fr. Ken Saunders*



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**Fr. Ken Saunders** - November 14, 2023 at 04:20 PM

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“ *Catawba College Athletics planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Elizabeth Ann "Bette" Barber.*

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**Catawba College Athletics** - November 14, 2023 at 11:47 AM



“ *Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum was purchased for the family of Elizabeth Ann "Bette" Barber.*



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