A Service of Celebration and Thanksgiving

For the Life of

BARBARA JOANNE (SANDS) WRIGHT

1930 - 2024



Friday, March 15, 2024, 2 p.m.

Yorkminster Park Baptist Church 1585 Yonge St. Toronto, ON

Presiding ClergyThe Rev. Dr. J. Peter Holmes

Organist William Maddox BMus, FTCL, FCAM

Order of Service

*All who are able are invited to stand A bell shall toll for fifteen minutes prior to the service

Preludes

*Opening Sentences

The Rev. Dr. J. Peter Holmes

*Hymn 766 - Praise, my soul the King of Heaven (Praise my soul)

Invocation

The Lord's Prayer

Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be Thy name. Thy kingdom come, Thy will be done, on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread, and forgive us our trespasses, as we forgive those who trespass against us. And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For Thine is the Kingdom, the power, and the glory, forever and ever. Amen.

Tributes From Barbara's Grandchildren

Zachary, Nicholas and Cooper

Tribute From Barbara's Children

Bruce, Elizabeth and Barb

Solo - Pie Jesu

Gabriel Fauré

Loren Graziano, soprano

Holy Scripture

Psalm 121

Revelation 21 (selected verses)

John 14 (selected verses)

^{*}Hymn 799 - The Lord's my shepherd (Crimond)

Homily

Prayer of Thanksgiving

*Hymn 227 - Crown him with many crowns (Diademata)

*Benediction

Recessional

Carillon

The family look forward to greeting you at a reception in the Friendship Room following the service.

BARBARA JOANNE (SANDS) WRIGHT died on January 26 in Toronto in her 93rd year. She is predeased by her husband William Charles Wright (1988), her parents Norman and Betty Sands, her stepmother Ruth Sands and her brothers David and Alan Sands. In 2020 she lost her oldest son Norman to a glioblastoma, something she was not able to process. Beloved mother of Bruce and Elizabeth, dear mother-in-law to Barbara Allen (Norman's wife) and Michael Piernitzki (Elizabeth's husband). Loving grandmother to Zachary and Nicholas Piernitzki and Cooper Wright.

Barbara became the indomitable matriarch of the family. She spoke her mind and was cute, funny, generous, devoted to her family and utterly irreplaceable. Barbara graduated from Havergal College and the University of Toronto. She lived most of her life in the family homestead in Lawrence Park, Toronto, and, for many summers, on the family's Piper's Hill Farm north of Toronto. A creative in so many areas, Barbara brought her talents and eye to interior decorating, caligraphy, genealogy, birding and gardening. She also loved to travel out to Vancouver often to visit Bruce and tour B.C. We were blessed that she was able stay in her home with the help of her caregiver angels.

The service is available to be viewed at https://www.yorkminsterpark.com/memorial/BarbaraWright/

In lieu of flowers, donations to Sunnybrook Hospital (Odette Centre), Nature Conservancy of Canada or Yorkminster Park Baptist Church would be appreciated.