



Barbara Lynn Taylor

May 3, 1961 - September 20, 2018

Barbara L. Taylor, "Barb", 57, of Hampshire passed away suddenly Thursday, Sept. 20, 2018.

She was born May 3, 1961 in Belvidere the daughter of Fred and Joanne (Pfaffinger) Bishop. She was a 1979 graduate of Hampshire High School and received her teaching degree from NIU. Barb married James E. Taylor on August 8, 1981 in Hampshire. Her teaching career spanned 35 years, the past 21 years with District 300. She was a Phys. Ed. teacher at St. Charles Borromeo School and Director of the Hampshire Park District before teaching full time. She previously worked at Eastview Elementary and Golfview Elementary as a Phys. Ed. teacher. The past 11 years she was with the Hampshire Middle School as a Phys. Ed. Teacher and girls' volleyball coach and 7th-grade girls' basketball coach.

Surviving are her husband, Jim; daughter, Nikki (Dustin) Wiepert of Sycamore; son, Josh (fiancé, Sally) Taylor of DeKalb; 6 grandchildren, Brayden, Taylor, and Quinn Wiepert, Gabbie, Cammie, and Jaxson Taylor; Mom, Viola "Vi" Bishop; siblings, Pam (Jodie) Ziller, Stacy (Mike) Bell, Scott (Punk) Getzelman; and many nieces and nephews, cousins, and countless good friends.

She was preceded in death by her parents; brother, Donnie Getzelman; and nephew, Heston Ziller.

Funeral Services will be held at 1 pm Sunday, Sept. 30 at the Hampshire Middle School gymnasium, 560 State St., Hampshire. Burial will follow in the Hampshire Center Cemetery.

Visitation will be on Saturday from 3 to 7 pm also at the Hampshire Middle School gymnasium.

In lieu of flowers, memorial contributions in Barb's name may be directed to St. Jude Hospital, 501 St. Jude Place, Memphis, TN 38105 or to the Hampshire Park District Foundation (to support youth athletic programs) PO Box 953, Hampshire, IL 60140.

Cemetery Details

Hampshire Center Cemetery

17N002 Harmony Rd
Hampshire, IL 60140

Tribute Wall



“ *Beautiful in Blue was purchased for the family of Barbara Lynn Taylor.*



September 28, 2018 at 04:35 PM



“ *Joyful Memory was purchased for the family of Barbara Lynn Taylor.*



September 27, 2018 at 06:27 PM

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“ *I came to Hampshire high school my freshman year. I met Barb a year later. Not a lot of welcoming. People in this school. Everyone was related, or if not related, not welcoming. Barb was a light in my life. One of the kindest people I was priviled to met. A kind soul, a welcoming person in a huge group of unwelcoming people. I will always remember her as a beautiful person. I am heart broken by her loss. Sending prayers to her family. May god bless you all.*

tammy gannon lodge - September 25, 2018 at 10:13 PM

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“ *I met Barb at HHS when I was a freshman and she was a senior. She was very kind and a great mentor both as an athlete and a friend. She even taught me how to drive. I have such fond memories of her. I know that she brought that compassionate spirit into her teaching career as my neices had her as a teacher. My deepest condolences go out to her family as she will be missed. Sincerely, Pam Singleton.*

pam singleton - September 24, 2018 at 07:00 PM

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“ Just want to say Barb was one of the most kind individuals I have ever met. She always had a smile or giggle to share. I am glad I was able to share some major events in my life with her. Thanks for befriending my sister because I got to be part of your life Too! Love and hugs to the family. Martha

Martha - September 24, 2018 at 05:44 PM