

PATRICIA K. BARRECA



Patricia K. (Alderson) Barreca, 92, of South Park, PA, passed away peacefully on Tuesday, June 25, 2024, at the home of her daughter. She was the wife of the late James P Barreca (retired USAF Major); beloved mother of Peter (Susan), Keith (Nora), and Susan (Glen) Goldbach; grandmother of Rachel Prilla, Christopher Barreca, Sarah Barreca, Melissa Barreca, John Barreca, Gregory Goldbach, Matthew

Goldbach, and Steven Goldbach; great-grandmother of John Prilla, Lexi Prilla and Noah Barreca; and sister of Bernard Alderson, Robert Alderson and the late Charles Jacobs, Mildred Kurtzrock, and Francis Alderson.

In her early years, Patricia and her husband traveled from one Air Force base to another, calling New York, Kentucky, Japan, Colorado, Nevada, and California home before finally returning to Pittsburgh. These travels enriched her life with diverse experiences that she deeply cherished. Patricia volunteered her time to help immigrants learn to read and write English. She believed that learning the language was a key to unlock opportunities and it allowed her students to integrate into society more fully.

She loved playing the piano, to oil paint, and was an avid bridge player. She enjoyed time spent with friends, especially her cherished group, the "Birthday Girls." Her favorite pastime was reading, and she always had several books at the ready.

Known for her warm hospitality, Patricia loved entertaining at home for friends and family. Patricia was a grand storyteller, captivating her audience with tales that always ended with her infectious laughter. Patricia's legacy of love, laughter, and kindness will live on in the hearts of all who knew her.

Arrangements by **BEINHAUERS**, 724-941-3211. A Mass of Christian Burial will be held at 10 a.m. at Our Lady of Hope Parish – St. Germaine Church, 7003 Baptist Rd, Bethel Park, PA 15202. Donations may be made to Little Sisters of the Poor, <https://littlesistersofthepoor.org/>, or to Tunnel to Towers Foundation, <https://t2t.org/>. View or add tributes at www.beinhauer.com

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