

# BARBARA CHRISTINE SAWYER



Barbara Christine Sawyer, born to Estelle and Cloyd Sawyer on August 25, 1941, passed away on Wednesday, July 17, 2024.

She is survived by three brothers, C. Tom (Heidi), Paul (Christy) and Mark (Cindy). Also surviving are 10 nieces and nephews, Carrie (Howard), Lauren (Michael), Carissa (Mitch), Melissa, Adam (Carolyn), Mark (Jackie), Paul, Robert (Katarina), Stephen and

Brandon; nine grand-nieces and nephews, Addison, Alison, Alexandra, Abigail, Emma, Ryan, Sawyer, Hudson and Gabriel. Barbara graduated from St. Wendelin High School in 1959 and received her BA in English Literature from Mt. Mercy College (Carlow University) in 1963. She earned her MS in Educational Administration from Duquesne University in 1981. After graduation, Barbara taught at St. Wendelin School and St. Louise de Marillac School. She was recruited in 1985 by MacMillan Publishing Company as an Educational Consultant. In 2003 Barbara became the Principal at Duquesne Catholic and in 2004 took the position of Principal at St. Gabriel of the Sorrowful Virgin School in Whitehall. Her 54 year career of devotion in the field of education touched countless lives. Barbara loved children of all ages and will be remembered for working diligently to give them a solid foundation for life, both academically and spiritually. A lover of music and theater, Barbara was a CLO and Pittsburgh Symphony season ticket holder for several years. She was also a season ticket holder with the Pittsburgh Steelers for the past 20 years. Barbara was a member of Nativity Parish for decades, serving as a lector for many years. May she rest in peace with her beloved parents as a just reward for a life well spent in the service of others. Friends will be received at the **JOHN F. SLATER FUNERAL HOME, INC.**, 412-881-4100, 4201 Brownsville Road, Brentwood 15227 on Sunday, July 21, 2024 from 2-4 and 6-8 p.m. Funeral prayer on Monday morning at 9:15. Mass of Christian Burial in Our Lady of Hope Parish, St. Gabriel of the Sorrowful Virgin Church at 10:00 a.m. Please send condolences to [www.johnfslater.com](http://www.johnfslater.com)

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