



Barbara Ann Hall Frey

August 26, 1939 - December 11, 2024

On December 11, 2024 at 85 years young, Barbara Ann Hall Frey went home to join our Lord Jesus Christ in Heaven. Barbara was a native of New Orleans and daughter to John Hall and Eloise Lydia Wolf.

Barbara is survived by her children and their spouses, Michael Frey, his wife Sharon, Marilyn Frey Treen and her husband Ben, Barbara Lynn Frey, and Patricia Ann Frey Murray and her husband Bear. Barbara was blessed with and loved dearly by her five grandchildren and five great-grandchildren. Emily Frey Segall, husband Michel and their children Blair and Bennett, Will Treen, wife Katrina and their daughter Katherine, Rachel Treen, partner Hector Laya, John Marshall Treen, and Ainsley Anderson Hill and her children Bella and Connor.

Barbara is preceded in death by her parents, her husband David Bing Frey, her son David Michael Frey, her sister Marilyn Hall Imwalle, and her beloved aunt Amelia Hall Hooper.

Barbara led a rewarding life as a loving mother to her five children providing a wonderful nurturing home before launching a multifaceted career in real estate, retail sales, home baking and as caregiver to her husband David.

Barbara was an avid reader, seamstress, a great home cook, and most importantly, core of the family.

Barbara was a strong believer in the Catholic faith and ensured her family was raised with the morals and ethics of the faith.

Relatives and friends are invited to attend the Visitation and Mass at Divine

Mercy Catholic Church, 4337 Sal Lentini Pkwy., Kenner, LA., Saturday, December 21, 2024. Visitation will be held at the church at 11:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. followed by a Funeral Mass at 12:30 p.m. Internment in St. Patrick Cemetery No. 1.

Donations made to Divine Mercy Parish are appreciated.

Arrangements by L.A. Muhleisen & Son Funeral Home. To share memories or condolences, please visit www.muhleisen.com

Cemetery Details

St. Patrick Cemetery No. 1

5000 Canal Street
New Orleans, LA 70119

Previous Events

Visitation

DEC 21. 11:30 AM - 12:15 PM (CT)

Divine Mercy Catholic Church
4337 Sal Lentini Pkwy.
Kenner, LA 70065

Eulogy

DEC 21. 12:15 PM - 12:30 PM (CT)

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Kenner, LA 70065

Funeral Mass

DEC 21. 12:30 PM (CT)

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Tribute Wall



“ *L.A. Muhleisen & Son Funeral Home created a Tribute Video in memory of Barbara Ann Hall Frey* ”



L.A. Muhleisen & Son Funeral Home - December 18, 2024 at 05:03 PM

“Words of Remembrance”

We call her mama and mum. She was the essence of our family. It is amazing just how amazing our mother was. From humble beginnings growing up on Barracks Street in the heart of New Orleans bordering the Treme, Marigny and Vieux Carre. Mama and her sister, Marilyn, were two happy little girls enjoying each other and the unique culture of New Orleans in the 1940's. Mama would tell us stories about walking along Canal St. on the weekends, just the two of them, going to movies, getting ice cream and just being young carefree little girls. Mama said one of their favorite treats was a succulent five cent pickled pig's foot, can you imagine that today! Mama's mother passed shortly after her birth. So, they were raised by their father, John Hall and his sister, Amelia Hall Hooper, affectionally known as auntie! She was Grandma Hooper to us. To know Auntie was to know how mama and Aunt Marilyn grew to be the loving mothers we were blessed to have.

Mama was raised to become a devout Catholic and attended Catholic schools including Mt. Carmel high school where she met daddy's cousin Margaret Storey, who introduced Barbara Hall to David Frey, mama and daddy!

Mama and daddy married young and didn't waste any time starting a family. I think they both knew they wanted to have a large family. Mama expressed to my sister Barbara that she knew she wanted children at 12 years old, not interested in pursuing a career or higher education, she did both anyway. Our brother David was the first born, eleven months later I arrived. Marilyn was the third born, and Barbara Lynn, the fourth born and our first baby sister. Six weeks before mama's 21st. birthday. Both mama and daddy had to grow up fast. Mama's family was always her top priority. It still amazes me that she created a fun, safe and loving home for all of us at such a young age. Our youngest sister arrived nine years later. By that time, mama had a little help from us raising her, but Patricia was/is definitely the spoiled baby sister. No mistake about it!

Belief in God and the catholic faith was a major component of our upbringing and mama made certain we understood the significance

of our religion. Mama also made sure we had the best education that New Orleans had to offer, and attending catholic schools from kindergarten through high school provided us with both and the lifelong love and belief in our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ. Knowing our Blessed Mother Mary, the angels and knowing what saints to pray to when we lost something or needed help when bringing home a less than passing grade on a test was important in our home. Our home was filled with holy cards, statues of saints, rosaries, prayer books and multiple Holy Bibles. We attended mass every Sunday and every holy day.

We celebrated the sacraments eagerly and as a family, excited about our first confessions, first communions, and confirmations as children.

We had a wonderful childhood growing up in the Bywater. Mama made sure we had birthday parties, Easter parties, and other special times where our friends could try to pin the tail on the donkey after being blindfolded and spun around. Our brother David always seemed to find the donkey's rear end. Mama also made certain we had costumes for Halloween and of course for our favorite dress-up day, Mardi Gras!

Our home was on Independence St. near St. Claude Ave. Our grandparents were around the corner on Pauline St. One day our grandfather decided we needed to learn responsibility of caring for something, so he purchased 21 baby chicks for David and I. Not sure if mama knew about this or not. Knowing grandpa, probably not. Anyway, long story shortened, the chickens got big, the chickens got out of the yard, and mama would be the one chasing the chickens down St. Claude Avenue across the neutral ground and back to our yard. Needless to say, that happened one time too many and the chickens were no more. Mama got to cook them, she made the best fried chicken, but this time, no one had the stomach to eat Rooney, Monster, or Chicky. We had a lot of fresh eggs for a few months.

Mama also tolerated numerous dogs, cats, turtles, fish, cute little bunnies that boyfriends gave to the sisters for Easter and numerous other domesticated creatures. She even allowed us to have a couple of ponies for a couple of years. What a treat! She loved them

all!

Mama was an excellent homemaker and that included her wonderful cooking. Everyone knows that in Louisiana, the girls drink like their daddies and the boys cook like their mama's. Well, in our cases, we all learned how to cook like mama.

Mama always had time for any of us. Even after she started working out of the house. She began at a convenience store on Downman Rd. at Haynes Blvd. I am not sure how long she was there but I know when she left and went to DH Holmes, the manager hated to see her go. Mama loved working at DH Holmes which was acquired by Dilliards. She enjoyed the clientele though she also met many coworkers who became friends for life. One kind lady who clearly is mama's best friend for life is Ms. Aimee Prunty. Mama even worked for Dilliards when the family came to Houston after Katrina. She worked there until about 2010, when daddy needed home care from cancer. She kept in touch with quite a few of her colleagues and spoke of them often to us.

Mama also enjoyed working in real estate. She obtained her license and worked at several offices showing homes in Lakeview, Kenner and other parts of the greater New Orleans area. She enjoyed real estate and was very good at it.

Mama was a great caregiver to not only her immediate family but also to Grandma Hooper. Mama would bring her breakfast and dinner everyday when she lived in her own apartment and when the family moved to Kenner, mama made sure Grandma Hooper came to live with us. Mama cared for daddy when he was put into hospice care, but she would not let them put him in a care facility. Hospice lasted about six weeks. With mama's daily care, and with the help from our dear friend Vanna Jackson, daddy lived four more years. And lastly, she cared for our brother David, who went to heaven nine years ago.

Mama's last few months were difficult with therapy, surgery, rehab and convalescing. We certainly did not anticipate the events of December 11th. As a family, we are devastated by her departure. We are however, blessed to have had the opportunity to spend time with her this last month. God gave her the strength to attend Thanksgiving Day festivities where she met our cousins beautiful

children for the first time, something she loved to do and it made her day. Her nieces, children and grandchildren were all gifted by God to visit her. I was the most blessed of all. I was able to spend nearly three weeks with her and my sister Barbara.

My opportunity to be her caregiver, making her coffee and breakfast every morning, helping her convalesce, and just spending time together is a gift that God gave to both of us.

Rest in peace mama.

Michael Frey - December 22, 2024 at 06:58 AM

BV

“ *Bynum & Joni Vincent purchased the Full Of Love Bouquet for the family of Barbara Ann Hall Frey.*



Bynum & Joni Vincent - December 20, 2024 at 04:11 PM

JA

“ *Jane, Justin, Tim & Ashley purchased the Basket of Memories for the family of Barbara Ann Hall Frey.*



Jane, Justin, Tim & Ashley - December 20, 2024 at 11:46 AM

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“ *Jane, Justin, Tim & Ashley planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Barbara Ann Hall Frey.*

Jane, Justin, Tim & Ashley - December 20, 2024 at 11:46 AM



“ *Amazing Arboricola was purchased for the family of Barbara Ann Hall Frey.*



December 18, 2024 at 11:59 AM



“ A [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) was planted in honor of Barbara Ann Hall Frey.

December 18, 2024 at 11:59 AM



“ *Enduring Grace was purchased for the family of Barbara Ann Hall Frey.*



December 18, 2024 at 09:36 AM



“ A [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) was planted in honor of Barbara Ann Hall Frey.

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“ *Peaceful White Lilies Basket was purchased for the family of Barbara Ann Hall Frey.*



December 17, 2024 at 12:15 PM



“ A [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) was planted in honor of Barbara Ann Hall Frey.

December 17, 2024 at 12:15 PM



“ Country Basket Blooms was purchased for the family of Barbara Ann Hall Frey.



December 16, 2024 at 07:43 PM



“ A [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) was planted in honor of Barbara Hall Frey.

December 16, 2024 at 07:43 PM