



Barbara Scully Strauss

March 11, 1928 - March 12, 2025

Barbara Scully Strauss, 97, of Cary, North Carolina, passed away peacefully on March 12, 2025, at Swift Creek Health Center in Cary, North Carolina surrounded by family. She was born on March 11, 1928, in Dobbs Ferry, New York, to Elizabeth (McLane) Scully and Henry M. Scully.

Barbara lived a life full of love, service, and unwavering dedication to her family. In 1945, she joined the U.S Nurse Cadet Corps. She became a Registered Nurse in 1948 and completed her baccalaureate education at Teacher's College, Columbia University in New York, graduating in 1953. From 1953 to 1959, Barbara served as a nursing instructor at the University of Michigan School of Nursing in Ann Arbor, Michigan, where she met her future husband, Alfred Strauss. Alfred and Barbara were married on April 12, 1958, and lived in Emmaus, Pennsylvania; Minneapolis, Minnesota; Bethlehem, Pennsylvania; and Cary, North Carolina. Barbara had a deep Catholic faith and was a caring homemaker who raised three children. She continued her life of service by completing a Clinical Pastoral Education course through Washington University in St. Louis, and she became a volunteer Chaplain at Lehigh Valley Hospital-Cedar Crest in Allentown, Pennsylvania. Barbara will be remembered for her supportive care of hospital patients and their families, her love of everything Irish, and her amazing chocolate chip cookies. She is survived by her husband of nearly 67 years, Alfred; her children Patricia Burns (Joseph Ros), Alfred Michael, and Christopher (John Davis); her sister Ann Liebers; five nieces and nephews, and four grandchildren. She

was preceded in death by her parents.

A funeral Mass will be held on March 24, 2025, at St. Michael's Catholic Church, 804 High House Road, Cary, North Carolina at 11:00 A.M., where family and friends are invited to celebrate her beautiful life. In lieu of flowers, donations can be made to Catholic Charities of the Diocese of Raleigh in her honor.

Barbara's memory will live on in the hearts of those she left behind. She will be deeply missed but never forgotten. The family extends their gratitude and thanks to the staff of Swift Creek Health Center and Transitions LifeCare for their compassionate care.

Cemetery Details

St Michael The Archangel Catholic Church Columbarium

804 High House Rd
Cary, NC 27513

Previous Events

Funeral Mass

MAR **24**. 11:00 AM (ET)

St. Michael The Archangel Catholic Church
804 High House Rd
Cary, NC 27513

Tribute Wall

ET

“ Our thoughts and prayers are with all of you. Barbara was a beautiful, kind and loving aunt to us. Sending lots of love
Geoff and Eileen



Eileen Tofield - March 21, 2025 at 10:04 AM

DA

“ Trish, sending my thoughts and prayers to you and your family.

Davina - March 16, 2025 at 07:11 PM

BB

“ Praying for Al, Trish, and all the family. I enjoyed talking with her.

Bookie Burns-Trogdon - March 15, 2025 at 07:34 PM

MM

“ Sending prayers for comfort to Al, Trish, and all the family. Barbara had a sweet, kind spirit.

Mary Frances McMillan - March 14, 2025 at 04:53 PM

SS

“ Sending peace and love to the family and Mr. Al. Ms. Barbara was a wonderful friend and neighbor here in Cary. One of my fondest memories is her gentleness and kindness to me when my dog "Atticus" passed (Therapy Dog for Duke Hospital). She enjoyed a laugh as I would poke fun at her and Mr. Al being UNC fans and I am a Duke fan! Always in fun! Bless her heart and long life!

Stephanie Sutherland - March 14, 2025 at 02:42 PM

DA

Trish, I send you and your family my thoughts and prayers. Davina Bowden

Davina - March 16, 2025 at 07:10 PM