



Beverly O. Barnes

February 22, 2018

Beverly O. Barnes, 75, of Lancaster, PA, formerly of Danville, CA passed away peacefully on Thursday, February 22, 2018 at the Willow Valley Community. She was born in Denver, CO, the daughter of the late Jack W. and Frances (Coburn) Owen. She was married to Richard L Barnes for 51 wonderful years. Besides her husband and his family, she is survived by two loving cousins and their families.

Beverly received her Bachelor of Arts degree from Denver University and a Master of Education degree from Central Michigan University. Her career was both as a teacher and a graphic artist with the majority of her services contracted with Dow Chemical in CA. Her many friends there have lasted a lifetime.

Beverly was passionate about her love of animals. She spent countless hours caring for injured and orphaned wildlife at the Lindsay Wildlife Experience in Walnut Creek, CA. A common theme with many of her friends was enjoying "Doggie Walks" together.

Travel within the United States and Europe was a constant enjoyment with many days spent in Venice, Italy, her favorite city. Not surprisingly, her favorite vacation was spending many hours with newborn, white harp seals on the ice flows in the North Atlantic.

Private services will be at the convenience of the family.

If desired, kindly consider a donation to the Lindsay Wildlife Experience in Walnut Creek, CA or to Hospice and Community Care in Lancaster, PA, a wonderful organization of truly blessed and giving caregivers.

Tribute Wall



“ Beverly O. Barnes

October 22, 2023 at 11:34 PM



“ We remember Bev on her birthday. This is at a Blackhawk Womens Luncheon. Sweet memories of our dear friend.



Mitzi Chrisp - August 14, 2018 at 05:37 AM



Mitzi, thank you for posting this wonderful memory of us together with Bev. As ever, she looks fabulous! She was like a ray of sunshine and a gentle breath of fresh air.

Marilyn Halberg - August 14, 2018 at 01:32 PM



Thank you so much Mitzi and Magie for remembering Bev's birthday today. I've stayed busy today but I've taken time to remember special moments in our lives. Certainly, the doggie girls events were very special to Bev. She was always so happy going and coming home from those get togethers. Thank you again for sharing. Rick and Lexy 🐾

Rick - August 14, 2018 at 03:19 PM

MO

“ We are so incredibly sorry to hear of Bev's passing. It was a delight to work with her and she just brightened any room when she entered. She had a zest for life and for her work that were truly infectious.

Our thoughts and prayers are with you, Rick....

Mitch and Mary Jo Oyler (Ladd)

Mary Jo Oyler - April 04, 2018 at 09:07 PM

RI

Mary Jo, thanks so much for your kind words. Bev really enjoyed her work at Dow. God bless,. Rick

Rick - April 08, 2018 at 11:45 PM

GV

“ *Bev was the most wonderful caring person I have ever met. She helped my husband make prints of his art work and was so excited to be able to help him. We are both so sorry to hear of her passing Dick. May God bless you and your family in this very sad time. Sincerely, Gary and Anna Vieira*



Gary and Anna Vieira - March 18, 2018 at 02:35 PM

BS

I am so sorry to hear of Bev's passing. I worked at Dow with her. She was so passionate about her work. I remember meeting Bev for the first time and she was taking pictures during a Dow function. She was so sweet and gentle and I loved her soft voice while she was telling you how to pose for the picture. She always made you feel that you were important!! She was a beautiful person and I can see her up above with her wings on and that sweet voice of hers. God Bless you and family.

*Love,
Becky Santos*

Becky Santos - March 18, 2018 at 03:01 PM

RI

Anna and Becky,

You captured her spirit so well. She love her job at Dow because of the people she could help. God bless you both for you loving and kind words.

God Bless,

Dick (Rick)

Rick - March 18, 2018 at 05:08 PM

JA

“ Dear Dick,

Bill and I were so sadden to hear of Bev's passing. We remember her so fondly from many, many years ago with the Gourmets. Even then her great love for animals and work with the Lindsay Museum made her a special person.

Our thoughts and prayers are with you in this difficult time.

Jean and Bill Andrewsen

Jean Andrewsen - March 09, 2018 at 11:13 AM

RI

Thank you for the memory Jean. They were great times with so many great friends. I hope you and Bill are doing well. God bless you both, Rick

Rick - March 09, 2018 at 02:21 PM

MC

“ 1 file added to the tribute wall



Mitzi Chrip - March 09, 2018 at 10:35 AM

RI

Mitzi, thank you so much for sharing this picture. Bev's love of animals and her love of shopping we're a perfect match with you. I look forward to visiting you and Michael in Boston in the future. Good bless you both, Rick

Rick - March 09, 2018 at 11:11 AM

EW

“ My Dearest friend, Bev, you and I shared hundreds of breakfasts, lunches and dinners with Rick and Ed. I remember our breakfast at the Front Room with you, Lexy and me and the beautiful, hug bear wearing a pink ballerina skirt with big hearts on both bottoms of her feet! What a surprise!

You are always full of surprises, a huge, beautiful smile, warm and wonderful hugs, an enormous heart and a listener beyond compare!

In 2016, you asked if you could come to Bible Study with me. I was honored to take you and introduce you to our wonderful Ladies at Bible Study. They adored you, your warmth and brought a new perspective to us all. The Holy Spirit was definitely guiding you and we all learned much from you and your questions and ideas!

I remember the day you phoned me and asked me to sing to you. Interestingly enough I had prepared about 6 songs to sing. Before I could end "Beautiful Savior" I could tell you were sleeping in PEACE.

JESUS Said: "In my House are many mansions. If it were not so, I would have told you. I go to prepare a place for you, and if I go, I will return again and take you unto MYSELF, that where I AM, there will YOU be also!"

You are a beautiful blessing in all our lives. Your memory and wonderful spirit will be with us always,

Much love,

Renee and Ed Winkler

Ed and Renee Winkler - March 07, 2018 at 01:13 PM

RI

What a beautiful addition to Bev's memory Renee. I will always cherish those breakfasts and dinners we shared with you and Ed. Looking back, I wish we had spent more time at Lake Almador with you both. Love you guys, Rick

Rick - March 07, 2018 at 01:28 PM



“ *Three beautiful Scottish lassies sporting their Coburn family tartan!*



Marilyn Halberg - March 06, 2018 at 04:59 PM

RI

Once again Maggie, I don't remember seeing this pic but I do remember the tartans we purchased in Scotland. Love, Rick

Rick - March 06, 2018 at 08:28 PM



“ *I had two immediate things in common with Bev, our height and our dogs. She was one of the bravest and gentlest woman that I have ever known.*

NancyHansard

Nancy Hansard - March 06, 2018 at 04:35 PM

RI

Thank you so much for your thoughts Nancy. I wish you had known her so much longer. With Love to you and Jim, Rick

Rick - March 06, 2018 at 08:25 PM



“ *More of Bev "in Paris" by way of San Ramon!*



Marilyn Halberg - March 06, 2018 at 12:19 PM

RI

Thanks Maggie, great to see all the doggie girls together and so happy. Sweet, pictures are worth a thousand words.
Rick

Rick - March 06, 2018 at 01:18 PM



“ *We didn't have to actually go to Paris for Bev to have an "oooo la la" good time in her bespoke beret!*



Marilyn Halberg - March 06, 2018 at 11:57 AM

RI

Dearest Maggie, I've never seen this picture. You and Bev and Tracey are having such a great time. Thank you for sharing that pic. Was that at the Club? Bless you, Rick

Rick - March 06, 2018 at 12:10 PM



This was at Café Attila and it was Paris-themed as a send off for Kathleen who was going off on another exciting trip -- this time to Paris. Bev hand made her beret for the occasion. All the other usual doggie gals were there, but this photo was so funny that I had to post it. I'll post another with the rest of the crew.

Marilyn Halberg - March 06, 2018 at 12:14 PM

GC

“ Wish we had had more time to develop a friendship here at Willow Valley. In the short 15 months that I knew her, she was someone special. She carried her illness with grace and a smile. We will miss her.

Gloria Cheney - March 05, 2018 at 04:17 PM

RI

Thanks so much Gloria. You and Wally were one of our first dear friends at Willow Valley. Bev cherished her friendships here even knowing her time was limited. God bless, Rick

Rick - March 05, 2018 at 06:23 PM

SW

“ Always so much fun with Bev at our Birthday Lunch celebrations (and my fellow Leo friend) Here are all the doggie girls celebrating at Wente Vineyards!

--Sue--



Sue Wells - March 05, 2018 at 03:02 PM

RI

Thanks Sue, I love the doggie girl memories. Such great friends and doggies. Love you all. Rick and Lexy

Rick - March 05, 2018 at 03:57 PM



“ *Bev had such a great time at our India-themed birthday celebration in Pleasanton and she was tre stylish in her attire, as usual!*



Marilyn Halberg - March 05, 2018 at 01:07 PM

RI

Thanks so much Maggie for your comments and picture. Also, happy to see Mackie. Those memories we're so dear to Bev and I. God bless, Rick and Lexy

Rick - March 05, 2018 at 02:19 PM

TL

When I first met Bev, she was knee deep in caring for her Mom. Her grace, patience and wisdom was so admirable, clearly earning her Daughter of the Century. She was a fun, creative and wonderful friend. She was kind to all living creatures and I mean ALL. I think Bev invented our themed lunches, which reminds me...try and wear Berets more often.

Tracey Lauer - March 05, 2018 at 04:03 PM

RI

Thanks for the note Tracey. She was tireless in caring for her aunt and Mom. These past 16 months have shown me just how hard caregiving can be. Bev never complained and always remained positive. She passed with such grace and dignity. Rick

Rick - March 06, 2018 at 09:07 AM



Yes, Tracey -- great idea about berets. Bev looked so darling in the one she made to wear to our Paris-themed get together. Will try to find a photo of that unless you post one first. I am also thinking we need to wear red and leopard print (two of Bev's absolute favorites) more often as a tribute to our darling Bev. I've got my leopard sandals ready to go today!

Marilyn Halberg - March 06, 2018 at 11:48 AM

RI

Guys, Bev would love to know you wore leopard prints or red as a tribute. I'm going to have a difficult time giving away all of those leopard prints. Thanks for the memories. Love, Rick

Rick - March 06, 2018 at 12:15 PM

SS

“ I worked with Bev many years at Dow, and like so many, shared a lifelong friendship with her beyond retirement. She was very precious to me and I will never forget her enthusiasm for every project, dedication, and talent. I am so pleased that Dick and Bev were able to enjoy Pennsylvania before her passing, taking excursion drives into the Lancaster area and seeing all the community had to offer, including many sightings of the Amish people. Bev had a love of animals her entire life and she sheltered and fed many an opossum such that I called her the "Opo Queen". She was a loyal friend to the end and I loved our conversations about their new home and the various seasons in Pennsylvania. With Dick and Lexy by her side, how could she go wrong? She passed just the way we all wanted her to -- with dignity, without pain, and knowing she was loved. She leaves this world to enter into God's Kingdom and she went willingly and knowing she will be wrapped in God's love.

*We will all miss you, Bev ... and look forward to seeing you again.
Love you, girlfriend.*

Sheryl Sturges - March 03, 2018 at 10:12 AM

RI

Thanks Sheryl, God bless

Rick - March 03, 2018 at 02:32 PM

SS

Take care, Dick/Rick and keep Lexy close. She will help so much!

Sheryl Sturges - March 04, 2018 at 06:42 PM

RI

Lexy is with me but she still waits at the door to see if Bev is coming in. We both are working through this. I feel her presence still with me and it helps a lot. God bless.

Rick - March 04, 2018 at 07:50 PM



Sheryl, I never knew about her nickname, "Opo Queen --" thank you for sharing that. I guess, then, she also was the "Quail Queen" since she mothered many of those darling little critters as well.

Marilyn Halberg - March 05, 2018 at 01:42 PM

RI

Opos and quail we're her favorite. She also raised several squirrels at home. She truly loved all creatures great and small. Bless you all, Rick

Rick - March 06, 2018 at 09:12 AM

SS

“ 2 files added to the tribute wall



Sheryl Sturges - March 03, 2018 at 10:03 AM

WS

“ I was so saddened to hear this news, I give you Dick, and all the family my sincere heartfelt sympathies. Bev was a special lady to work with. She helped me so much in my job sharing her expertise in so many areas. Even when she was busy she always made time to help and did it so cheerfully that I never felt like the burden I knew I was at times. Yes, she was a bright spot at Dow that made everyone's day so much brighter when she came on the scene.

I don't know of any other person that was so universally loved & adopted into the Dow family like she was! She was interested in all of us & showed the same happiness to see any of her Dow friends every day, it was surely reciprocated. Dick I pray that the incredible Peace & Comfort of God is yours this day and your entire family's. Know one thing & be comforted, you will see her again one day. I am sure she is in heaven & happily preparing a special greeting for you . Yes, she is missed & is never forgotten as she should be, but we have Hope & a Joy for that time in the future. God Bless you all.

Walter & Debra Sonner, I/E Instructor, two friends.

Walter Sonner - March 03, 2018 at 08:29 AM

RI

Walt, thanks so much for that. Just know, she loved working with all the Dow folks. She felt it was real honor working at Dow 20 years. Bless you

Rick - March 03, 2018 at 02:37 PM

AY

“ Dear Dick- I am so sorry about Bev's passing. She was such a bright light in the world. Everyone who knew her will miss her presence. I am happy she could be back with her family at the end of her life. I have many Pennsylvania Dutch relatives in Lancaster and know that it is a good place to be. We sure always enjoyed her at Dow- a great presence in an otherwise dull day when Bev came around! She was really a very special woman.
Sincerely, Andree Youngson

Andree Youngson - March 03, 2018 at 12:57 AM

RI

Thanks Andree for your memories. Please say hi to Chuck and live each day to the fullest.

Rick - March 03, 2018 at 02:39 PM

RI

“ 1 file added to the album *49th Anniversary*



Rick - March 01, 2018 at 01:00 PM

RI

“ 1 file added to the album *Forever Shopping*



Rick - February 28, 2018 at 06:49 PM

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“ 1 file added to the album *Old Faithful*



Rick - February 28, 2018 at 06:46 PM

RI

“ 1 file added to the album *Great Times*



Rick - February 28, 2018 at 06:42 PM

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“ 1 file added to the album *Santa Barbara*



Rick - February 28, 2018 at 06:29 PM

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Rick - February 28, 2018 at 06:27 PM

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Rick - February 28, 2018 at 06:24 PM

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Rick - February 28, 2018 at 06:23 PM

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Rick - February 28, 2018 at 06:21 PM

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Rick - February 28, 2018 at 02:46 PM

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“ 1 file added to the album *Cousins Forever*



Rick - February 28, 2018 at 02:45 PM

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Rick - February 28, 2018 at 02:44 PM

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Groffs - February 28, 2018 at 07:41 AM

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Groffs - February 28, 2018 at 07:39 AM

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“ 1 file added to the album *Bev & Mitzi 2017*



Groffs - February 28, 2018 at 07:37 AM

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Groffs - February 28, 2018 at 07:36 AM

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“ 1 file added to the album *Shopping in Italy*



Groffs - February 28, 2018 at 07:35 AM

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“ 1 file added to the album *Christmas 2017*



Groffs - February 28, 2018 at 07:34 AM

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“ *Beverly*



Groffs - February 28, 2018 at 07:31 AM