

Barbara A. Schroeder

December 3, 1933 – May 5, 2025

Barbara A. Schroeder, 91, Kewaunee, passed away peacefully in her sleep in the early morning of Monday, May 5, 2025. She was born on December 3, 1933, in Lohrville, WI, to the late Harry and Theresa (Tetzlaff) Chappa. After continuing education through night classes, she received her high school diploma in 1964. Barb married Fred A. Schroeder on June 11, 1955, at St. Mark Church in Redgranite, Wisconsin.



Barb is survived by her sisters, Marge (Don) Van Handel, Betty Harger, and Robert (Jan) Chappa, and her in-laws David (Donna) Schroeder, Gary Schroeder, and Barbara Butzlaff.

She was preceded in death by her parents Harry and Theresa Chappa, brother, Lawrence Chappa, sisters, Lucille (Leonard) Reetz, Yvonne (Richard) Van Dyke, Patricia Chappa, and in-laws, Samuel and Charlotte (Lottie) Schroeder, Duane Harger, Bill Schroeder, Vivian (Annie) Fero & Mary Mueller.

Over their 70-year marriage, Barbara and Fred raised a family to be proud of, including their children: Chris (Dawn) Schroeder, Betsy (Jeff) Burkhart, Jim (Joy Lynn) Schroeder, and GERALYN (David) Yu. Their grandchildren include: Amy (Chris) Lauder, Kimberly (Jason) Nimmer, Kelly (Chris) Dahlke, Alex and Katey (Jack McAloon) Burkhart, Emily (Logan) Russo, Hannah, Carolyn, and Chloe Schroeder, Elijah, Naomi, and Samuel Yu, and great-grandchildren Olivia and Johann Lauder, Trevor and Gavin Nimmer, Levi and Iyla Dahlke.

Barb worked as an optometrist assistant at Lakeshore Vision in Kewaunee until her retirement in 1998. Her most important accomplishment is her undying love and devotion to her family as a wife, mother, grandmother, and great-grandmother.

Barb was a skilled artist and saw art in everything around us. She loved to design and sew clothing for children and grandchildren. Her exquisite hand-sewn quilts were shared with family, friends, and the community. She was a member of the Artisan Center in Kewaunee, and enjoyed painting, achieving several local awards for her artwork. Her last work of art was a rainbow in the sky shortly after she passed on to Heaven.

She was very involved in the community helping organize and participate in many local events. She was very involved with the Home Community and Education (HCE), including the Sunshine Club and Lakeshore Legacy. In the 1970s, she and other mothers in Kewaunee organized a play school for young children within their homes prior to preschools existing in the community. She also volunteered as a tourist guide at the Kewaunee Chamber of Commerce.

A lifelong and very active member of the Holy Rosary Parish, she was involved in various church organizations and activities, including over 30 years helping with environmental art, the Rosary Society, communion distribution, funeral meals, and her true passion included reading to children at the Holy Rosary School Daycare.

Joint visitation and services with Fred, will occur on Friday, May 16, 2025, from 2:00 to 6:00 p.m. at Kinnard Funeral Home in Kewaunee. Joint Funeral services and burial with Fred will take place on Friday June 13th, 2025, at Holy Rosary Church, with a celebration of the legacy of their life to follow burial.

The family would like to sincerely thank Hamilton Health Services in Two Rivers, Aurora Hospice Services, and the Aurora-Green Bay hospital staff on the 4th floor and the Emergency Room. We also extend our gratitude to the residents and staff of Oak Park Assisted Living of Green Bay.

A memorial fund has been created for Fred and Barb Schroeder.

Kinnard Funeral and Cremation Services - Kewaunee is assisting the Schroeder Family. Online condolences can be shared at KinnardFCS.com.

