



FULFILLED & FULFILLING BY TRUDIE BARRERAS

“What would you change about your life if you could?” To be perfectly honest, looking back on 80+ years of blessings experienced and challenges overcome, I’ve got to say that overall I believe my life has been deeply fulfilling. In fact, since I have recently been doing a great deal of reading of memoirs and biographies, I have become more and more intensely aware of the wonderful extent of those blessings and the minimal level of real challenges. Some peoples’ lives are fraught with horrible tragedies and traumas. Mine has not been a bed of thornless roses, but overall it has been lovely.

In retrospect, there are specific personality flaws that I sincerely wish I’d worked harder at overcoming. I have always felt myself to be lacking in empathy, and I have very little drive to accomplish specific goals, either spiritually or materially. I am essentially a lazy person, who has never been motivated to take care of the basics of house-keeping and everyday life, let alone pursue a career with single-minded focus.

However, to give myself a bit of credit, I was sincere many years ago when I told Lee that my goal in life was to learn to love. That has become an article of faith for me. I believe that in a real way, that goal has been fulfilled in the choices I’ve made in life to be sensitive, honest, non-judgmental to the best of my ability, and to cherish those I’ve been given as my “nearest and dearest”. I am committed to avoiding superficiality, but trying to be open to dialogue and discussion even when I totally disagree with another person’s perspective.

Most of all, maintaining an “attitude of gratitude” is important in our deeply troubled world balanced on a knife-edge between catastrophe and new enlightenment. While I sincerely wish I’d accomplished more of “making a difference” in some nebulous way, I’m genuine in my caring and believe the things I HAVE accomplished are a gift to myself and hopefully others.



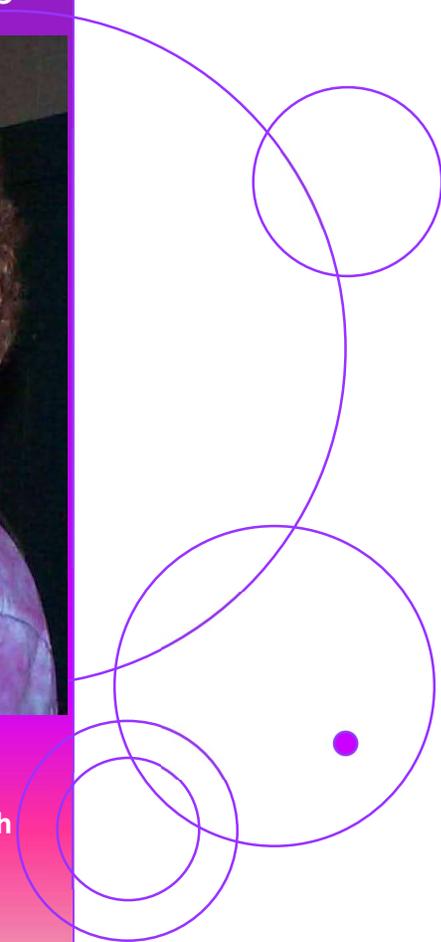
Trudie Schuyler Barreras

June 7, 1939 – September 2, 2025



Celebration of Life

Metropolitan Community Church
of Albuquerque



ORDER OF WORSHIP

Prelude	<i>"Here I Am Lord"</i>
Opening Prayer	<i>Pastor Paul Anway</i>
Greetings & Remarks	<i>Pastor Paul Anway</i>
Reflections of Trudie	<i>Lorna Barreras (Trudie's Daughter)</i>
Woman at the Well	<i>Introduction by Ray Barreras</i>
Musical Interlude	<i>"On Eagle's Wings"</i>
Gospel Reading	<i>Tish Gorman (Trudie's Daughter)</i>
Matthew 5:14 – 16	
<i>"You are the light of the world. A city on a hill cannot be hidden. Neither do people light a lamp and put it under a bowl. Instead they put it on its stand and it gives light to everyone in the house. In the same, let your light shine before others, that they may see your good deeds and praise God."</i>	
Remembrances	<i>Attendees are invited to share</i>
Eulogy	<i>Pastor Paul Anway</i>
Fulfilled & Fulfilling written by Trudie Barreras	
	<i>Toni Cobb (Trudie's Daughter)</i>
Announcements	<i>Pastor Paul Anway</i>
Closing Prayers & Benediction	<i>Pastor Paul Anway</i>
Postlude	<i>"I'll Fly Away"</i>

In lieu of flowers we request that donations be made to one of Trudie's favored charities listed below or to one of your own choosing in her name.

- ✦ Metropolitan Community Church of Albuquerque
<https://www.mccabq.com/give>
- ✦ The Greater Good Network -
<https://greatergood.com/collections/gg-donate-fundraiser>
- ✦ QSpirit - <https://www.gofundme.com/f/give-for-lgbtq-spirituality-at-q-spirit>

Please join Trudie's family and friends in the Fellowship Hall immediately after Service for refreshments.
