



## Barbara M. Donnelly

January 18, 1949 - March 16, 2025

Barbara M. Donnelly, 76, passed away peacefully on Sunday, March 16, 2025 at CareOne Redstone in East Longmeadow. Born January 18, 1949, daughter of the late James and A. Marie (Ryan) Donnelly, she was a graduate of Chicopee Comprehensive High School, Class of 1966. Barbara continued on to earn her Master's in Rehabilitation Counseling from Southern Illinois U in 1977. Barbara was a student counselor at Northeastern University. A defender of disability rights, she served on the Commission for Disability in Scituate & Plymouth. She enjoyed opera, gardening, and photography. Barbara is survived by her loving son, Ryan Frieden of Somerville; her caring siblings, Brian Donnelly and wife Margie of FL, Barry Donnelly of Springfield, and Beth Donnelly of Chicopee. She also leaves many cherished cousins and nephews. Memorial contributions may be made to St. Jude Children's Research Hospital, 501 St. Jude Place, Memphis, TN 38105.

# Tribute Wall

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“ *Brian, Margie, Barry and Beth: we are so sorry to hear of Barbara's passing. Sending hugs and prayers to everyone in the family.  
Marcia (Michon) and Jim Ryan.*

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