



Sandra Leah Barrington

October 17, 1948 - November 23, 2023

Sandra Leah Barrington, beloved wife, mother, and community leader, and devout Christian, peacefully departed after a brief battle with cancer on November 23, 2023. Born in Topeka, Kansas, Sandy's journey unfolded with passion and purpose. She met her soulmate, Roger Barrington, at Wichita State University, and together, they shared 56 years of enduring love.

Sandy's vibrant life included a successful career as a professional model and instructor. In 1980, she, Roger, and their daughters Laura and Leah embraced a new chapter in the mountains of Colorado, where Sandy thrived as a Regional Vice President Independent Consultant with Arbonne International. Her career provided not only professional success but also the chance to forge lasting friendships and embark on exciting adventures.

In 2013, Sandy and Roger settled in Hoxie, Arkansas, where Sandy became an integral part of the community. Actively involved in the garden club as secretary, and dedicated to service, she earned the title of Master Gardener. Her commitment extended to the Business Professional Women's Association and United Methodist Women in Faith, where she served as Vice President, and was nominated for President for 2024.

A cherished member of the First United Methodist Church in Walnut Ridge, Sandy found joy in serving and contributing to various ministries. Her warmth,

compassion, and leadership left an indelible mark on her church family.

Sandy is survived by her loving husband Roger, daughters Laura (Craig) Wilson and Leah (Kevin) McClain, grandchildren Brooke (Cam) Thompson, Jesse McClain, Finn Wilson, Liam Wilson, great-grandson Aiden, great-great-grandson Amiah, sister Jana (Joe) Burnside, nephews Boone (Katie) Burnside, Blake Burnside, and niece Neely (Richard) Nortei, brother and many loved cousins.

She was preceded in death by her grandparents Richard and Fern Choate, mother Virginia Choate, father Davis Carson, brother Steve, Uncle Richard Choate, and Great Aunt Ruby Boas.

Join us in celebrating Sandy's remarkable life and service on Saturday, December 2, 2023, at 11:00 am at the First United Methodist Church, Walnut Ridge, Arkansas.

Flowers can be sent to First United Methodist Church in memory of Sandy Barrington.

Cemetery Details

Lawrence Memorial Park

Colonial Dr.
Walnut Ridge, AR 72476

Previous Events

Memorial Service

DEC 2. 11:00 AM (CT)

First United Methodist Church
214 SW 2nd St
Walnut Ridge, AR 72476-2334
(870) 886-3141

Tribute Wall

GR

“ My name is Greg Richter. I was Roger's first drum student in Wichita and I remember when Roger first met Sandy. He was head over heels for her. He was such an excellent percussionist and such a good person that he remained in my thoughts as a person that I was grateful to have known. Sandra was always his priority and it felt to me as a young music student just observing them as they went about starting a life together that these two people would succeed. That they would be together forever. It was the gentle way she had with him that made me think that he was safe with her and she with him. My most sincere condolences to Roger and their family.

Greg Richter - September 25, 2025 at 05:50 AM

JC

“ Sandy & I became instant friends when she became a 5 Rivers Master Gardener. She was so interested in learning all she could about flower & vegetable gardening. We drove all over Arkansas together attending Gardening Seminars & buying plants, books & tools for our passion. She was always such a joy to be with, a beautiful person inside & out. I will miss my friend so much.

Jackie Cox - December 04, 2023 at 08:28 AM

DM

“ I believe Sandy loved the ocean...since our family was unable to attend the memorial service, we said Aloha to our beloved friend at the beach.



Diane Myers - December 03, 2023 at 03:43 PM

DM

“ Beautiful Sandy at our Luau themed party in 1979. She always had such poise and grace.



Diane Myers - December 03, 2023 at 03:24 PM

DM

Absolutely Stunning!

Diane Myers - December 06, 2023 at 01:47 PM

HV

Gorgeous!!!

Heather Venator - December 06, 2023 at 01:48 PM

DM

“ A vacation to visit the Barringtons in 1981. Sandy and Leah on our trail ride.



Diane Myers - December 03, 2023 at 03:18 PM

DM

“ Sandy and Laura visiting my new daughter, Heather. 1973



Diane Myers - December 03, 2023 at 03:07 PM

DM

“ Great fun with Sandy and Roger on our family ski trip in 1986.



Diane Myers - December 03, 2023 at 03:06 PM

DM

“ An old photo but one of my very favorites of Sandy, Teresa and I. We three have shared an enduring friendship of over 50 years...there are lots of memories in those years...



Diane Myers - December 03, 2023 at 02:48 PM



“ Sandy and her family took my family in when there wasn't much room to share. Nine folks in a little tiny cabin. Leah was wonderful, sharing her space with me, albeit probably against her wishes, lol. The real glue of kindness was Sandy, making sure each person felt special and heard. I am very glad I reconnected with her over facebook during more recent years. She was a kind and confident soul. I always thought she was the best mom ever. Some of my fondest childhood memories are drinking the orange pekoe tea she introduced me to (still a favorite) and eating peanut butter toast while she told me things about Polar and life. Miss her much already.

Rachel Youkey - December 02, 2023 at 04:54 AM

DP

“ 1 file added to the album Marly's friend



Donna Pinkston - November 30, 2023 at 09:10 PM

DP

“ I only got to visit with her a few times with my dog Marly at Lawrence Hall.

Marly is a certified therapy dog that visits Lawrence Hall and several other places in our area. Marly was so taken with Mrs. Barrington. She tried to crawl in the bed with her and lay there. Marly never never never does that and has not done that since. Such a sweet, sweet lady that had a smile that lit up the room. You have my deepest sympathies.

Donna Pinkston - November 30, 2023 at 08:59 PM

DM

“ Sandy simply made our lives better by being an important part of them for so many years. We will miss her nurturing, loving spirit, her happy outlook on life and enduring friendship. Our hearts and prayers are with you all.

Love, Diane, Heather, Rachel, Kyle, Matt, Carleigh and Greyson.

Diane Myers - November 30, 2023 at 03:46 PM



“ Full Of Love Bouquet was purchased for the family of Sandra Leah Barrington.



November 30, 2023 at 10:37 AM

TV

“ The Myers, Millers & Venators planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Sandra Leah Barrington.

The Myers, Millers & Venators - November 29, 2023 at 01:53 AM



“ *I remember her well, Rest in Peace with Your Heavenly Father, will miss seeing you in the town of Walnut Ridge.*

Gail French - November 28, 2023 at 05:08 PM



“ *Basket Full of Wishes was purchased for the family of Sandra Leah Barrington.*



November 28, 2023 at 01:30 PM



“ *Arrive in Style was purchased for the family of Sandra Leah Barrington.*



November 27, 2023 at 06:26 PM



“ *Sentiments of Serenity Spray was purchased for the family of Sandra Leah Barrington.*



November 27, 2023 at 05:44 PM

YF

“ *Your Mountain Parks Electric Family purchased the Days of Sunshine Bouquet for the family of Sandra Leah Barrington.*



Your Mountain Parks Electric Family - November 27, 2023 at 11:30 AM

AS

“ *All Our Love, The Moreshead's & Swartz's purchased the Peaceful White Lilies Basket for the family of Sandra Leah Barrington.*



All Our Love, The Moreshead's & Swartz's - November 26, 2023 at 07:14 PM



“ Dear Sandy,

What an extraordinary, classy lady you have always been... and oh, so much fun! You quickly became my “second Mom”, at the age of 5, when my family moved to Grand Lake, CO, in the early 80s - always up for Leah and I’s silly adventures and living room “Grease” debuts! Your beautiful spirit, thoughtful, kind ways, and welcoming nature will never be forgotten. What a beautiful family and lasting legacy you created in your lifetime of service!

May you continue making people feel beautiful, inside and out, in Heaven, and hit those fluffy ski slopes whenever the urge arises! Know that your family and friends are surrounded in Peace, to soothe them, Grace, to hold them, and Love, to comfort them, at this most difficult time. You will forever be missed!

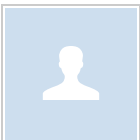
*Love Always,
Krista Moreshead*

Krista Moreshead - November 26, 2023 at 06:57 PM



“ From, Heather & Shay Warakomski planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Sandra Leah Barrington.

From, Heather & Shay Warakomski - November 26, 2023 at 09:19 AM



“ Arrive in Style was purchased for the family of Sandra Leah Barrington.



November 26, 2023 at 09:19 AM



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November 25, 2023 at 05:57 PM