



Barbara Balvin Kunkle

February 19, 1959 - November 1, 2024

Barbara Kunkle, 65, of Centralia, passed away Friday, November 1, 2024 at Barnes-Jewish Hospital in St. Louis, Missouri.

She was born February 19, 1959 in Cleveland, Ohio, the daughter of Harry Edward Balvin and Ruth Constance (Bruening) Balvin. On May 16, 1987 in Denver, Colorado, Barb married John Kunkle and he survives in Centralia.

In addition to her husband of 37 years, John Kunkle of Centralia, she is also survived by her brother: Norman Balvin of Arizona.

She was preceded in death by her parents.

Barb had a "big life" by her husband's side as an Army wife for over 22 years. They lived all over the country and abroad in Belgium and Germany. She was a motorcycle enthusiast and Harley rider on her Heritage Softail. She was a Scuba instructor for over 15 years. All while coaching, counseling, and mentoring many people over the years. She will be missed by all that knew and loved her.

Per Barb's wishes, cremation rites will be accorded and no public services will be held. Sutherland-Garnier Funeral Home and Cremation Services at 235 North Sycamore Street Centralia, Illinois 62801, (618)532-3523, are honored

to be of service to Barb's Family. Online condolences may be made to the family by visiting www.sutherlandfuneralhome.com and the Funeral Home Facebook Page.

Tribute Wall

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“ I have so many good memories of Cousin Barb—Belgium, Arizona, the lake, and most of all, her infectious laughter. Miss you, Cuz.

Elizabeth Bruening - November 27, 2024 at 11:56 AM

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“ We will miss you Barbara !



George Proksha - November 22, 2024 at 05:55 PM

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“ Peter Vig lit a candle in memory of Barbara Balvin Kunkle



Peter Vig - November 22, 2024 at 04:45 PM