



## Barbara Davis

December 4, 1937 - February 7, 2026

Barbara Jeanne Davis, 88, died on Saturday, February 7, 2026, at Western Home Communities – Thuesen Cottage.

She was born on December 4, 1937, in Auburn, New York, the daughter of Harry and Ida (Simon) Van Arsdale. She graduated from Auburn High School in 1956 and earned an associate's degree from Alfred University in New York. On June 22, 1957, she was united in marriage to Arden Davis in Auburn, NY. Barbara worked at the University of Northern Iowa as the secretary to the Dean and at the AEA7 as a secretary before her retirement in 1997.

Barb looked forward to and enjoyed their summer trips to Table Rock Lake for boating and fishing and wintering in Venice, FL. Barb enjoyed attending summer concerts in the park, especially symphonic and classical music. She loved the National Fourth of July Symphony, and gathering with friends for a monthly potluck and games of Bridge.

Barbara is survived by her sons, Kevin (Linda) Davis of Fayetteville, AR, and Scott (Jane) Davis of Kansas City, MO; grandchildren, Cory (Rachel) Davis, Stephanie (Corey) Thompson, Chelsea and Jeffrey Davis, Kyle and Tyler Brown; great-grandchildren, Lina, Izzy, Maddie and Ben Thompson, Jack and Zoey Davis, and Ronin Edwards; great-great-grandchild, Kingston Thompson; and sister-in-law, Joyce Van Arsdale.

She was preceded in death by her husband, Arden; daughter, Laurie; and brother, David Van Arsdale.

Services 11:00 a.m. Thursday, February 12, 2026 at Richardson Funeral Services followed by graveside services at Fairview Cemetery in Cedar Falls.

Memorials may be directed to the Western Home Communities Foundation.

# Cemetery Details

## Fairview Cemetery

12th and Division Streets  
Cedar Falls, IA 50613  
(319) 273-8628

# Previous Events

## Service

FEB 12. 11:00 AM (CT)

Richardson Funeral Service  
615 Main Street  
Cedar Falls, IA 50613  
(319) 266-3525  
[richardsonfuneralservice@gmail.com](mailto:richardsonfuneralservice@gmail.com)  
<http://richardson.funeralplan2.com>

# Tribute Wall

BV

“ Kevin, Scott and family, Barb was always so upbeat and fun to talk to and I cherish the many phone conversations we had. Betty and I so enjoyed her stay with us when she drove to NYS for our son's wedding. Rest in peace Aunt Barb.  
Bill & Betty

Bill VanArsdale - February 11 at 10:57 PM

KC

“ I remember you Barb, you and my parents, John and Barb Kates were friends. I knew that whenever you would come to the house, good times would be had by the adults. My condolences to your family. Kim (Kates) Croushore

Kim Croushore - February 10 at 10:30 PM

KW

“ I have fond memories of Barb from our days working together at the AEA. She always shared great recipes. May memories bring you comfort and may God grant you peace in the coming days. With deepest sympathy  
Kerri Wilson



Kerri Wilson - February 10 at 06:00 PM

TF

“ The M Dunn Family planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Barbara Davis.

The M Dunn Family - February 10 at 01:29 PM



“ *Country Basket Blooms was purchased for the family of Barbara Davis.*



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February 10 at 01:29 PM



“ *I am glad we could be there in your final moments to give you love and comfort. You are at peace now. Enjoy being with dad and Laurie as well as other family and friends. Love, Jane*

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**Jane** - February 10 at 10:15 AM



“ *Jamie Evans lit a candle in memory of Barbara Davis*



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**Jamie Evans** - February 10 at 08:57 AM



*My heartfelt condolences go out to the entire family. Losing a loved one is never easy. May you find some comfort in knowing that your loved one is now free from pain and has her memories of all the beautiful moments shared with her family.*

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**Jamie Evans** - February 10 at 08:59 AM

JF

“Joyce Van Arsale and Family purchased the Fier  
y Lily and Rose for the family of Barbara Davis.



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**Joyce Van Arsale and Family** - February 10 at 08:18 AM



“Sending my deepest sympathies to you, Jane, Chelsie, and Jeffery.  
Your mom lived such a full life, and I know how much it meant to  
everyone that she got to hold and know her great-grandbaby. She  
leaves behind such a wonderful legacy in all of you. We are here for  
you if you need anything at all.

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**Matthew Shier** - February 09 at 09:25 PM

AJ

“I am sorry to hear of Barb's passing. There will continue to be an  
empty place in your hearts as you say good-bye to your mom. We  
were Valley Park neighbors in those early school days. May God  
give you His peace.

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**Alice Janssen** - February 09 at 08:41 PM

KE

“Gonna miss you, Mom.  
Give Dad a big hug for me.  
Love you. Kevin

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**Kevin** - February 09 at 08:22 PM