



Barbara M Guignard

March 31, 1941 - September 3, 2020

Barbara Mogg Guignard, 79, of Columbia, South Carolina, died Thursday, September 3, 2020, of sudden cardiac arrest. Born March 31, 1941, in Indianapolis, Indiana, she was the daughter of the late Millard E. Mogg and Juliana Bauer Mogg Lapenta.

She spent her formative years in Coral Gables, Florida, and Lake Geneva, Wisconsin. Her father owned Chris-Craft boat dealerships in both cities. At an early age, “Big Sister” and her “Little Brother”, Steve, two years her junior, became experts at small craft handling either under sail or under power on the idyllic waters of Lake Geneva.

Barbara Anne Mary Elizabeth Mogg attended parochial and public schools in Coral Gables, graduating from Coral Gables High School in 1959. She earned her Bachelor of Art degree in 1963 from Lindenwood College (now Lindenwood University) in St. Charles, Missouri. During her junior year, she had the unique opportunity of studying abroad for a year at The Institute for American Universities in Aix-en-Provence, France. While there, she met her future husband, James S. Guignard.

Following college, Mrs. Guignard was employed by Delta Airlines from 1963-1973 in the sales and reservations division of Delta’s Washington, DC, office. Following her marriage to Jim in 1971, they spent a brief period in Washington, and then relocated to Columbia in 1973 for Jim to attend law school.

Mrs. Guignard had a true gift for the art of entertaining and was passionate about music and travel and was a patron of the arts. She was a fabulous cook and decorator and could turn a handful of flowers into a masterpiece, making her home resemble a page from an interior design magazine. Barbara and Jim hosted many musical events in their lovely home to help raise funds for the Friends of the USC School of Music, and Barbara was the perfect hostess, coordinating every detail. She and Jim greatly enjoyed entertaining family and friends, over her married life hundreds of people graced their home. Whether it was a party, an event or just Christmas dinner, her warm and inviting manner made everyone feel special. She also loved to garden and dedicated many hours to the beautification of

her yard and her special little gardens.

From 1982 to 1991, Barbara and Jim lived in Brussels, Belgium, where she was the Chairman of the Travel Committee for the American Women's Club in Brussels. During that time, she coordinated many trips for its members to places around the world, such as Moscow, Tel Aviv, and Istanbul. She was also an avid supporter and founding member of The Friends of the USC School of Music, where she served several terms as president and was responsible for menu planning for the annual Moveable Musical Feast and the Columbia Music Festival Association (CMFA), where she currently served on the board of directors. Mrs. Guignard also pursued other activities within the community and was an active member of the Gay Gardner's Club, former member of the English Speaking Union and Alliance Française.

Survivors include her husband, James S. Guignard; brother, Stephen A. Mogg of Pensacola, Florida and his children, Christopher A. Mogg of Buda, Texas and Carey Mogg Hensley of Pace, Florida, and their respective children; sister, M. Lucinda Karra of Columbia; sister-in-law, Emilie Guignard of Columbia, her children and grandchildren; as well as her brothers-in-law, Allen Guignard and wife, Rita, of Greenville, South Carolina, and John Bruce Guignard and wife, Claudia, of Columbia along with their children and grandchildren. In addition to her parents, she was preceded in death by her stepfather, Biagio Lapenta.

A private celebration of her life will be held ay 11:00 o'clock am on Monday, November 2, 2020 at Trinity Episcopal Cathedral in Columbia, S.C. with The Reverend Patsy Malanuk officiating. The service can be seen on the church's website or by using the following link: <https://vimeo.com/472172977>. The family wish to acknowledge the gracious assistance of the staff at Shives Funeral Home, Trenholm Road Chapel.

In lieu of flowers, memorials may be made to The Friends of the USC School of Music, c/o University of South Carolina School of Music, Columbia, South Carolina 29208, Still Hopes Episcopal Retirement Community, 1 Still Hopes Drive, West Columbia, South Carolina 29169, Columbia Music Festival Association, 914 Pulaski Street, Columbia, South Carolina 29201 or the charity of one's choice.

This obituary originally appeared on the Shives Funeral Home website and The State newspaper on September 6, 2020. Minor revisions were made in this version on September 9, 2020.

Comments



“ An external video has been added.



Shives Funeral Home - October 29, 2020 at 03:13 PM



“ I was fortunate to have Barbara and Jim as next door neighbours but one in Avenue De Messidor in Brussels in the mid-1980s. At the time Jim was effectively South Carolina's ambassador in Europe, a role he discharged professionally and with great elan - all made possible by his First Lady, Barbara, who brought elegance and warmth to help create the perfect team. Over the years I was proud to call them friends. To visit them in Columbia was a special treat - their hospitality was exceptional whether in Europe or in the US. And they were honoured guests at my wedding to Rosheen in 1995, adding greatly to the celebrations in Greystoke Castle in Cumbria. Barbara will be remembered fondly by all who had the privilege of knowing her.

Peter Ryan - November 01, 2020 at 04:30 PM



“ I will always treasure chatting with Barbara, generally while either preparing for a large family gathering or in the aftermath of one. I could always count on her for an amusing, frank, and, above all, intelligent comment about the day's events, usually accompanied by a subtle eye roll. I shared her love of fine food and wine and art and travel, and really appreciated how she made the exotic and foreign seem familiar and welcoming, just as she was. I also loved her independent streak, exemplified in her more or less permanent adoption of Belgian practices when it came to the timing of the evening meal, despite the protests of the Guignard clan. She was a character to remember, and will be missed.
-Bob Faris

Bob Faris - November 01, 2020 at 11:04 AM



“ Judge Guignard

I am so sorry to read this. She was an amazing woman. You are in my thoughts today.

Sincerely,
Amy McCulloch

Amy McCulloch - October 30, 2020 at 01:20 PM



“ Janet Martin purchased the Full Of Love Bouquet for the family of Barbara M Guignard.



Janet Martin - October 29, 2020 at 04:22 PM



“ Dear Jim:

Sara and I were devastated to hear about Barbara's passing. You both have been such wonderful supporters of music and the arts in Columbia. I remember with great fondness playing at your lovely home, and what wonderful hosts you and Barbara were. Our condolences to you and your family.

Much love,

Bob and Sara

Robert Jesselson - September 29, 2020 at 01:59 PM



“ Dearest Jim and family, our hearts are broken hearing of Barbara's passing. Words cannot express how much you and Barbara touched our lives. From the time I met you and for Ginny's entire life. You've are a steady rock in the sand and our lighthouse in the storm. We love you very much although we have never told you enough. Our thoughts and our prayers are with you, your family and with Barbara. God bless.

Kevin McKnight - September 18, 2020 at 06:19 AM



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Jim,

I am so sorry to hear about your loss of Barbara. I very much enjoyed seeing the two of you at the Christ School Class of 1959 Reunions, and it seems like such a short time ago when we had such a wonderful time together last year.

My heart goes out to you during this difficult time. Stay strong and enjoy the memories!

Take care, my friend,

Regards,

Bill Rathburn

William Rathburn - September 14, 2020 at 06:40 PM



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We are so sorry to hear of Barbara's passing. We have wonderful memories of Barbara and Jim. You both were wonderful to Councill and me during our time in Brussels. Barbara introduced me to the American Women's Club and Jim and Barbara entertained us many times in their Belgian home. We were blessed to have such wonderful hosts and guides! Jim, please accept our sincere sympathy. Lisa and Councill Leak

Lisa Leak - September 13, 2020 at 09:14 PM



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Jim, thanks for the chat tonight and informing me of your beautiful bride's passing. She was a classy lady and you definitely married up! (Hahaha). Please let me know how I can assist you. Annette, Faith, Sarah and I will be praying for you and your family in the coming days.

Bill Denton - September 10, 2020 at 07:43 PM



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Jim,

I was so sorry to hear of the loss of Barbara. We served on the Friends of the School of Music board and she was so instrumental in its success over many years. I will miss her

being a part of the many events. My thoughts and prayers are with you and your family.

Pam Bond

Pam Bond - September 10, 2020 at 01:34 PM



“ Barbara was a special person to Judy and to me. We enjoyed the many festive evenings in your home and talk about what a wonderful hostess and beautiful person she was. You and the rest of your family are in our thoughts, and please know that we share your loss.

John and Judy Seibels

John and Judy Seibels - September 09, 2020 at 03:25 PM



“ Jim, Ellen and I were so saddened to learn of Barbara's passing. We send our prayers and wish you and your loved ones peace in your memories of the grace and kindness Barbara brought to your lives and which she has left as her legacy. Bill and Ellen Smith

Bill Smith - September 07, 2020 at 11:08 PM



“ Jim and family, Ted and I are thinking of you and our prayers are with you. Ted and Sally Speth

sally speth - September 07, 2020 at 12:22 PM



“ Dear Jim and family.

Please know you and your family are in our prayers on the loss of your lovely Barbara. May God bless you and your family at this time. Take courage dear friend and be at peace. We love you. God bless.

“Huggs from the Suggs” - David & Jean Ann

David Suggs - September 06, 2020 at 04:07 PM



“ Cheryl and I were so very sorry to read of Barbara's passing. She was a very wonderful person and such a delight at our annual White Elephant get togethers. Jim and family, please accept our most sincere condolences and know that our thoughts and prayers are with you at this time.
Allen Fisher

Allen Fisher - September 06, 2020 at 03:04 PM



“ Here's to our pleasant memories of Barbara when we first meet her with Jim in London, in the 1970's. Went out to eat at one on Colin's and mine favorite restaurants, Don Luigi's on the Kings Road. She has been the family before and ever since, which was the family's gain. Sorry to lose you now at this terrible time. God Bless. Jane Bruce and Colin Brooker

Jane Bruce Brooker - September 06, 2020 at 12:42 PM