

Obituary - Barbara Irene Haworth

Barbara Irene Haworth lost her life to cancer on Tuesday morning after a nine year battle. She was 71, strong and beautiful to the end.

She was born in East Liverpool, Ohio on Sept. 23, 1943 to Karol and Pauline Meeks. She was brought to Fontana as a young girl, and lived here the rest of her life. She married her husband 52 years ago and they raised their family on Tangelo Avenue. She worked as a school secretary at both Palmetto and Poplar elementary schools collectively over 20 years, during the late 70s through the early 90s. She retired at 57 and was able to devote herself full-time to her family and their lovely home. Her three children all agreed that this was where her heart was and where she shined. She was a devoted wife, mom and grandma.

Barbara leaves behind her husband, Mike Haworth; their son, Todd (Grace) of Bloomington; their daughters, Rhonda Massaro (John) of Fontana and Tonya Almeida (Johnny) of Hesperia; her mother, Pauline Meeks, who still lives in Fontana to this day; her brothers, David Meeks (Betty) of Fontana and Bobby Meeks (Lorraine) of Fontana; and one sister, Regina Williams (Carl) of Apple Valley. In addition, there are seven grandchildren and two great-grand children missing their grandma as well. She was preceded in death by her dad, Karol Richard Meeks "Pappy," about 17 years ago.

There will be a viewing and visitation on Monday, Oct. 6 at Dickey Mortuary, 8030 Mango Avenue in Fontana. The doors will open at 5 p.m. and there will be a service at 6 p.m., followed by a gathering in the patio. The following morning, Oct. 7, she will be laid to rest at Green Acres Memorial Park in Bloomington at 10 a.m. Dickey Mortuary was in charge of arrangements.