

Barbara Cain Manske

June 17, 2017

Obituary

Barbara Cain Manske, 77, of Wernersville, passed away Saturday, June 17, 2017, at the Reading Hospital.

She was the wife of John E. Manske, with whom she would have shared 55 years of marriage on July 28th. Born in Chicago, Ill., she was a daughter of the late Willard and Bonnie (Butner) Cain, of Wheaton, Ill..

Barbara was a 1961 graduate of Smith College,

Northampton, Mass., where she received a BA in English, and was one of the first students to receive a combined Smith-Yale MAT Degree.

Barbara taught high school English in St. Charles, Ill., and Radnor, Pa., before moving to Wyomissing with her family in 1975.

Barbara was on the Lady's Auxiliary Board of the Reading Hospital, where she was co-chairman of the Art Show for the Garden Party for two years. Barbara was on the board of directors and the executive committee of Wyomissing Institute of Fine Arts. Barbara served on the board of directors of the Wyomissing Public Library, where she served two years as president.

In addition to her husband, she is survived by a son, John E. "Hans" Manske Jr., husband of Sabrina Gibson,

Burlington, Vt.; a daughter, Carla C., wife of Fred Geiersbach, Middletown, Del.; and four grandchildren.

A Mass of Christian burial will be held at 11:00 a.m., Thursday, June 29, at Christ Episcopal Church, 435 Court St., Reading, where Barbara was a member. Burial will be private. Lamm & Witman Funeral Home, 243 W. Penn Ave., Wernersville, is handling arrangements.

In lieu of flowers, memorial contributions may be made in memory of Barbara to the Wyomissing Public Library, Attn: Colleen Stamm, 9 Reading Blvd, Wyomissing, PA 19610.

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