



Barbara E. Rutherford

February 4, 1932 - June 16, 2025

Barbara Rutherford of Stamford, CT and previously of New Paltz, NY passed away peacefully on June 16, 2025 at the age of 93. She was born in Glens Falls, NY and graduated from St. Mary's Academy in 1949. Barbara later graduated from St. Peter's Hospital School of Nursing in Albany, NY as a registered nurse in 1953 and also graduated from Catholic University of America in Washington, D.C. in 1960 with a Bachelor of Science degree in Nursing. She continued her education with graduate level studies at Boston College and Boston University.

Barbara worked as a school nurse at New Paltz Middle School for many years until her retirement in 1992 and prior to that was employed by the Massachusetts General Hospital as a registered nurse and worked within their School of Nursing as a medical and surgical nursing instructor.

She enjoyed spending time with family and friends, traveling, and vacationing in the Adirondacks.

She is survived by her two step-sons, Steven (Amanda) Rutherford of Brunswick, ME and Bruce (Therese) Rutherford of Stamford, CT, as well as six grandchildren, Erin, Holly, Jack, Julia, Matthew and Bruce. Barbara was pre-deceased by her husband, John Rutherford Jr., her parents, Kenneth and Helen Ellsworth, her sister,

Jean Herlihy, and her daughter in-law, Kimberly Rutherford.

A private Funeral Mass will be held at St. Joseph Church in New Paltz, NY at 11am on Saturday June 28th with burial to follow at the New Paltz Rural Cemetery.

If you wish to make an online remembrance for the family, you may sign the family guestbook at www.bosakfuneralhome.com or www.facebook.com/bosakfuneralhome.