



Doris C. Haffen Barnes

June 14, 1923 - July 26, 2020

Doris C. Haffen Barnes, 97, of Dallas, Texas passed away July 26, 2020 in Dallas, Texas. She was born June 14, 1923 to John W. Haffen and Ann Haffen in Moline, Illinois. She married Robert V. Barnes on June 4, 1944 in Rockwall, Texas. She was a Mother/Housewife.

On June 14, 1923, Major John William Haffen and Anna Wilhelmina Johnson Haffen announced the birth of their daughter Doris Corinne Haffen in Moline, Illinois where Major Haffen was stationed at the time. She spent her early years in Rock Island, Illinois and when her father was transferred to Fort Riley, Kansas as the Provost Marshal they moved there and lived on the Military Base. Mom attended Junction City High School where she was active as a Majorette. Upon graduation from Junction City High School she began working at the Ft. Riley Military Base PX as a cashier. During 1943 or early 1944 she met a young 2nd Lieutenant named Robert V Barnes who had just finished Officer Candidate School and was now going through Armored Cavalry School prior to being shipped out to England. As I understood one of their first encounters was when Robert was trying to buy a carton of cigarettes and he received a lecture from Doris about how bad it was for your health and that he was too young to smoke. After a while Robert asked if he could walk Doris home after work and she said it would be ok. On the way home each night Doris would act like she was home and tell Robert good night, but it was her friend's house. Doris did not want Robert to know where she lived because there was a sign in the front yard that stated that home belonged to the Base Provost Marshal. During several nights walking Doris home, Robert had noticed that they were being followed at a distance. After a while Robert asked Doris if she had noticed that the soldier following them at a distance was an MP. At the point Doris confessed that her Dad was the Provost Marshal and he wanted to be sure she got home safely. Normally once the guys found out who her Dad was, that generally ended her relationships. Well Robert was persistent and he and Major Haffen became friends and Doris and Robert's relationship continued. When Robert finished his training, he was then transferred to Camp Maxie not too far from Paris, Texas for additional training. Now being close to home he asked Doris to come to Texas and visit his family which she did.

During her visit Mother Barnes fixed this big Dinner to show off the family. That meal almost ended their relationship because Mother Barnes had cooked Black Eyed Peas and Doris refused to eat them. Doris told Mother Barnes that she was not going to eat anything that they fed to the hogs on the base. That embarrassed Robert at the time. He did get over that experience and when Robert found out that he was being shipped to England he asked Doris to marry him. They were married in Rockwall, Texas on June 4, 1944 just before Robert was shipped out.

During the Battle of the Bulge Dad's Armored Car platoon was captured. Robert was listed as MIA for several months. His middle name being French, he decided he would be safer using the last name of "Von Barnes" since there was a German Field Marshal named Von Barnes in the region. Robert finally was able to escape the POW Camp and returned home in late 1945.

After Robert completed his military service, Doris and Robert settled in Dallas. Shortly after that Robert V "Buddie" Barnes Jr is born in October 1946, Marsha Carol Barnes followed in August 1947. Doris became a fulltime mother, diaper changer and chief disciplinarian with the two of us. Doris kept up the home front caring for Marsha and I while Robert built his reputation in the Construction Industry.

Doris served as PTA President while Buddie and Marsha were at Alex Sanger Elementary School, and also was a Girl Scout Leader during that period. Then John Decker Barnes came along in August 1953. As the family increased in numbers, we moved from Forest Hills to the home that Mom lived in until her passing. The Day after Buddie graduated from High school, Marla Cheryl Barnes was born in August 1964. Robert always told people he wanted to raise his own Grand Children; but I don't think Doris thought that was that funny.

As the kids have grown up and started their own families Doris and Robert decided they wanted to take cruises. They traveled all over the world with the Princess Cruise lines. Doris always liked to tell people that they traveled on the 1st Royal Princess which was christened by Queen Elizabeth. That ship was renamed the Pacific Princess and used in the Love Boat TV series. I think Doris has every episode that was ever filmed. Then Doris and Robert were on the maiden voyage of the 2nd Royal Princess that was christened by Princess Diana. Doris, Buddie and his wife Debby made the Maiden Voyage of the 3rd Royal Princess that The Duches of Cambridge Christened. She loved Cruising and it really did not make much difference where she would go she just loved to travel on the Sea. Doris and Robert made 21 Cruises together, and Doris traveled another 14 cruises with various members of the family. Doris's love for the sea and cruising allowed her to spend 366 days at sea, and she has passed that spirit of travel to all of us.

Doris also loved to have a monthly birthday party where we would celebrate the birthdays for that month. If it was your month, you got the chance to name the type of homemade ice cream and the type of cake and icing we would have that month. This held true for all months but August, there were so many Birthdays in August we had to do two parties. Doris also told all of us that there could be no more birthdays in August! Doris also loved to get the family together for the neighbor hood 4th of July parade and picnic every year. She also served on the Board of the St. Andrews Study Club for many years and enjoyed her membership in the Dallas County Pioneer Association.

Doris loved having the Family come to the house and it was always a big deal. Oh, and football season was a big deal, the DAC would provide a bus for the SMU and Cowboys games with a bar and Bartender. Everyone enjoyed the ride to and from the games and most of the time the trip home was really a lot of fun and not many cared who had won.

Doris had 4 Children, 10 Grand Children, 19 Great- Grand Children and 6 Great- Great Grand Children.

Doris was preceded in death by her Mother and Father, her husband Robert V Barnes in 1993, Great-Great Granddaughter Claire Hadala in 2012, and Great- Great Granddaughter Francis Hadala in 2013.

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Comments



“ From all your friends at PUMC Fellowship purchased the Emerald Garden Basket for the family of Doris C. Haffen Barnes.



From all your friends at PUMC Fellowship - August 02, 2020 at 02:25 PM



“ Beautiful in Blue was purchased for the family of Doris C. Haffen Barnes.



August 02, 2020 at 12:01 PM



“ So sorry for your loss. I was part of the family for a while. Meme was a great person for my girls Rhonda and Karla.

Jackie Barnes - August 01, 2020 at 10:51 PM



“ Jackie Barnes lit a candle in memory of Doris C. Haffen Barnes



Jackie Barnes - August 01, 2020 at 02:24 AM



“ Doris Barnes was my next door neighbor since 1964. She and Robert were very friendly and generous with sharing their beautiful home for neighborhood events.

Doris was very active in our neighborhood club, St Andrews Study Cub. She served as President for several terms and every year she hosted one or more of our monthly meetings. No one supported our Annual 4th of July Picnic and Parade better than the Barnes Family. They always had the most people present and their family always supported the parade with banners, flags and floats (mostly Robert driving his decorated golf cart).

I will certainly miss looking over the fence almost every Sunday to see the Barnes clan gather for weekly dinners or their monthly family birthday celebrations. Our country needs more examples of true family relationships and the Barnes Family is the perfect example. Good job, Doris. God Bless.

Teri Dres

Teri Dres - July 31, 2020 at 09:56 PM



“ Thank you Teri for the kind words. You were a very great neighbor to my meme. Thank you again from meme grand daughter rhonda

Tyrone - August 02, 2020 at 12:50 AM



“ So sorry for the family's loss. Doris was a wonderful woman and a great meme to my girls Rhonda and Karla.

Jackie Barnes - July 31, 2020 at 07:03 PM



“ I was the only one that had a birthday in July. It was really awesome because we would celebrate mine birthday with the the 4 th of July picnic we had. My meme was my grandma and my best friend. I love her so much and cant wait to get to heaven to see her again.

Tyrone Taylor Jr. - July 31, 2020 at 06:44 PM



“ This comment was written by my mom rhonda. Meme granddaughter and I am her great grandson

Tyrone - August 03, 2020 at 04:17 AM



“ So sorry for your families loss. When I was part of the family she was a good mother in law and a great meme to my two girls Rhonda and Karla. She will be missed

Jackie Barnes - July 31, 2020 at 06:42 PM



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Tyrone Taylor Jr. - July 31, 2020 at 06:29 PM



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Tyrone Taylor Jr. - July 31, 2020 at 04:05 PM



“ Robert, I am sorry for your loss. -Deidra Cunningham-

Deidra Cunningham - July 31, 2020 at 12:16 PM



“ We want to express our sympathy to the family of Doris Barnes. Doris's mother & my mother were cousins, but I had never met Doris until about 20 years ago. Since that time, I have enjoyed numerous visits with her in her lovely sunroom. I was impressed with her deep love for her family, & her great enjoyment of time spent with them. You will not soon forget your many Sunday Supper memories, & we treasure the one time we were privileged to be a part of one of those family gatherings. May you sense God's nearness as you walk through this time! Herman & Marjorie (Jensen) Rohlfs

Marjorie Jensen Rohlfs - July 30, 2020 at 10:46 PM



“ So sorry to hear about Doris. I know everyone will miss her and the gatherings at her house. She was a wonderful woman.

Jackie Barnes - July 31, 2020 at 12:48 PM