



## Darlene Barnes Morris

June 27, 1954 - February 16, 2025

Frankfort – Darlene Barnes Morris, 70, passed away on Sunday, February 16, 2025. A gathering of family and friends will be held on Thursday, February 27, 2025, from 1:00 p.m. until 3:00 p.m. at the Frankfort Country Club.

Darlene Barnes Morris was born in Frankfort, Kentucky on June 27, 1954, to the late James Winford Barnes and Anna D. Gordon Barnes. She retired from a lengthy career at the Legislative Research Commission and the Office of Education Accountability where she was employed as an administrative specialist. Darlene will be remembered for her love of painting, arts and crafts, and sports, especially University of Kentucky basketball. She was known for always helping out a friend.

She is survived by her husband of 31 years, Mark O. Morris; daughter, Shannon Ward (Matt); sister, Karen Casebier; grandchildren, Lily Ward and Hannah Ward; niece, Jessica Tingle (Ryan); and one great nephew, Tobias Tingle.

In addition to her parents, she is preceded in death by her great-nephew, Rowan Tingle. The honorary pallbearers will be Terri Welch, Macy Gravitt, Joanie Doll, Mary Simpson, and Teresa Newton.

In lieu of flowers, expressions of sympathy may be made to the Franklin County Humane Society, 100 Companion Place, Frankfort, Kentucky 40601.

Arrangements are under the direction of Harrod Brothers Funeral Home & Crematory.

# Previous Events

## Gathering of Family & Friends

FEB 27. 1:00 PM - 3:00 PM (ET)

Frankfort Country Club  
101 Duntreath St.  
Frankfort, KY 40601

# Tribute Wall

AM

“ So sorry about Darlene. We met when we were working in Dept of Education. She was. Lovely person. Always kept me laughing. Whenever we saw each other, we'd catch up. Always a smile on her face. May she rest in peace!

arthurine monie - March 01, 2025 at 09:03 PM

HB

“ 62 files added to the album LifeTributes



Harrod Brothers Funeral Home - February 24, 2025 at 11:26 AM

TA

“ Tammie lit a candle in memory of Darlene Barnes Morris



Tammie - February 20, 2025 at 09:45 AM

JR

“ Dear Mark and family. I'm so sad to hear of Darlenes passing. May she rest in peace

JEFF I ROGERS - February 18, 2025 at 12:07 PM

AL

“ To Mark, Karen, and all of Darlene’s beloved family...I am so sorry for this loss. It is tough to handle, yet, I am thankful to have known her and loved her for most of my life. Sending prayers of peace, comfort, light and love your way.  
With Love, Ann Mahoney Leslie



Ann Mahoney Leslie - February 18, 2025 at 01:32 AM

PB

“ Penney Barnes lit a candle in memory of Darlene Barnes Morris



Penney Barnes - February 17, 2025 at 07:51 PM

WS

MARK I JUST SEEN THIS YOU HAVE MY CONDOLENCES 🙏

WANDA SAMUELS - March 05, 2025 at 05:46 PM

TN

“ I am heartbroken over Dar’s passing, she was like a sister to me. The first day we ever met, we just clicked. She was my shopping buddy, we both loved going shopping and would be gone for hours buying stuff we didn’t need. We talked on the phone almost everyday, sometime for hours. I sure do have good memories of Dar and will keep them close to my heart. My thoughts and prayers are with Mark, Karen and the rest of the family. Until we meet again, sista!



Teresa Newton - February 17, 2025 at 06:39 PM

PC

“ Darlene & I were in grade school through high school together, we were both in the same Girl Scout troop. Thanks to our high school ladies group, we shared many laughs & sometime tears as we gathered together several times a year. Darlene will be greatly missed by her many friends & family.

Peggy Lee Comer - February 17, 2025 at 06:33 PM



“ Cutting Board Gift was purchased for the family of Darlene Barnes Morris.



February 17, 2025 at 05:46 PM



“ A [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) was planted in honor of Darlene Barnes Morris.

February 17, 2025 at 05:46 PM

PB

“ I have know Darlene since we were in 3rd grade. In high school we were practically inseparable. We both were track and field managers. We played softball on the same team. She went with my parents and myself to Daytona Florida once or twice. She was my best friend in school. I will miss her greatly.



Penney Barnes - February 17, 2025 at 05:22 PM

LM

I sold Darlene a Isuzu Trooper about 30 years ago and we became friends, she was a great person who loved Mark and her family, she will be dearly missed. Prayers for her family during this difficult time 🙏

Larry Moore - February 17, 2025 at 05:34 PM

MS

Darlene was one of the first people I met when moving to Frankfort twenty some years ago. We've shared many good times with each other as well as with our husbands as couples. You will truly be missed, Darlene. I just know you are at peace right now and that is comforting to all who knew you. Enjoy the reuniting with your Mom!

Mary Simpson - February 18, 2025 at 08:01 AM