



## Barbara Lynn Astrich

November 29, 1946 - August 7, 2021

On Saturday, August 7, 2021, Barbara Lynn Astrich passed away at the age of 74 after a long illness. It would be wrong to say that Barbara lost her battle because she stopped fighting. She truly knew resilience and perseverance and was determined to the end. That's the way she lived her life. She was our butterfly. So beautiful and sweet now free and at peace.

Although she was a New York City gal, Barbara's passion was her country life, her horses and her many dogs, cats and birds. If there was a stray dog or cat on the road in the car it went to her home to be cared for. She married the love of her life, Robert on August 13th, 1977. It would have been their 44th wedding anniversary. They lived in Houston with Fonda and Craig until 1986. They moved to Monaville where Barbara could spend her days tending to her horses and beautiful garden. Their ranch gave her peace and purpose. She was an equestrian rider and competed in many dressage competitions.

Barbara is survived by her stepchildren, Fonda and husband, Wayne Arzt, Craig Astrich and Laura Astrich and grandchildren, Ian, Raya and Zane. Sisters, Teri Paris and Eileen, husband Alan Manack. Brother In-law, Eddie Astrich and wife, Joan Edelstein. Along with her nieces and nephews, Jason Manack (Kai and Kali); Jenice Manack Clarke and husband

Aaron (Mya and Henry); Aubrey Manack Adams and husband Glenn (William and Adelyn). She is preceded in death by her husband, Robert 'Bob' Astrich; Mother, Violet Goodwin; and Father, Phillip Goodwin.

In lieu of flowers, donations can be made to the Houston SPCA or to Reining Strength Therapeutic Horsemanship in her memory.

A live stream of the funeral service will appear on the Austin Natural Funerals Facebook page, <https://www.facebook.com/AustinNaturalFunerals>, shortly before 10 am on Friday, August 13th. A Facebook account is not required in order to watch. If a pop-up window appears asking you to log in click "not now" and the live stream will be available for you to watch. If the "not now" button does not appear, scroll down on the page and it will come up for you to select.

# Cemetery Details

## Congregation Beth Israel Memorial Garden

1101 Antoine Dr.  
Houston, TX 77055

# Previous Events

## Graveside Service

AUG 13. 10:00 AM (CT)

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# Tribute Wall



“ *Barbara Lynn Astrich*

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October 14, 2022 at 12:02 PM



“ *I didn't know Barbara--may her neshama have aliyas and may she have naches from her children-- but I have quite a beautiful personal story (from my 86 year old cousin) of how Robert Astrich (He remembers him as Lieutenant Robert Astrich) "rescued" my cousin, got him an attorney, and thereby got him the honorable discharge from the military that he deserved. This changed his life! He has told me maybe 100 times that he wanted to thank Robert Astrich, but I saw on the internet that Robert was deceased. If any of his children or grandchildren want to hear more about their over-and-beyond kind father/grandfather, please contact me. With blessings, B. Cotlar*

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**bayla** - February 25, 2022 at 01:52 PM



“ *I worked with Ms. Astrich at the Village of Southampton, and she was always very kind to me. I pray that the family is comforted as they remember and honor her.*

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**Michelle Harris** - September 12, 2021 at 02:52 AM

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“ 1 file added to the album Memories Album



Austin Natural Funerals - August 13, 2021 at 05:42 PM

FO

*Mitzi and Nelson, I can't thank you enough for a beautiful service and walking us through this difficult process. You are one in a million. Love you very much!!*

fonda - August 14, 2021 at 11:37 AM

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“ 5 files added to the album Memories Album



Teri Paris - August 12, 2021 at 08:26 PM

MS

“ I remember my dear cousin as a sweet and loving soul. After marrying the love of her life, Robert, Barbara moved to Texas, where she was able to attend to the other love of her life, her horses. God grant her release from her pain and may she rest in eternal peace.

Margaret Berryman Schmit

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**Margaret Schmit** - August 12, 2021 at 07:47 PM

EM

“ Aside from being an avid lover of horses and country living, Barbara was just my sister doing what she loved. She was sweet and kind who will be missed immensely! Our family is hurting but her memory is our blessing. Barbara introduced my husband and I to many things, whether it was cleaning the barn, eating crawfish, pretending to know how to ride a tractor, sitting amidst the bluebonnets or just chatting about our lives. A new perspective for a California couple. She shared her love with us and now it's times to share her love 💕  
Rest In Peace Sis💕

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**Eileen Manack** - August 10, 2021 at 10:17 PM

MA

“ Rest In Peace sweet Barbara💕 She was a beautiful woman inside and out. She lived life to the fullest with her beloved horse and cat. She reunited with her husband free of pain.

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**Marlene** - August 10, 2021 at 09:42 PM

TP

“ *A Part of my heart and soul are gone. I don't know exactly what it is that we shared maybe the same birthday. Maybe our love of Music, maybe our love of animals, and country air and roses, and turquoise ..... So much love and support and laughter, I remember once I went out to help her out when she had broken her foot, and I was wheeling her around this dirt path in Bellevue, and she was trying to control where I was wheeling, when she said OH I wish I weren't in this wheelchair, and without skipping a beat I pulled out my very best Bette Davis .. Butcha are Blanche! Ya are in this wheelchair lol*



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**Teri Paris** - August 10, 2021 at 08:53 PM

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“ *Barbara was a one of a kind woman. She has had a strong will since the day I met her years ago all the way to her death. She loved her fur babies and her horses so much. I was lucky she called me her friend. We will miss you but the memories will forever be here.*

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**Kelly Krenek** - August 10, 2021 at 08:10 PM