



Barbara Ann "Bobbie" Busby Armstrong

January 31, 1949 - November 5, 2025

Lafayette -

Barbara Ann "Bobbie" Busby Armstrong, née Beaucaire, of Lafayette, died on November 5, 2025.

Bobbie was born January 31, 1949, in Boston, Massachusetts, daughter of the late Dona Beaucaire, Sr. and the former Mildred Grace Allen.

She is survived by her daughters, Juliette Busby Wade (Bryan), and Amy Claire Busby; grandchildren, Merrit Pierce Arnold, and Harper Grace Wade; siblings Betty-Jean Beaucaire Tripp, Roberta Beaucaire VanSlambrouck, and Dona Beaucaire, Jr. She was predeceased in death by her parents and the father of her children, Kenneth Jackson Busby.

Bobbie attended University of Southwestern Louisiana (now ULL) after graduating from Lafayette High School and later finished her bachelor's degree in English at Georgia State University. She also obtained a master's degree in journalism from Mercer University in Atlanta, Georgia, where she was Editor of the literary magazine. She was a gifted writer with pieces published in everything from corporate newsletters to a cover story in The Sunday Magazine of the Atlanta Journal-Constitution. She worked as a freelance writer, and as Editor-in-Chief of the newsletters of the American

Cancer Society and the Louisiana Conference of The United Methodist Church. She was also a gifted photographer, leaving us with some truly spectacular pictures of her grandchildren. She instilled in her daughters a belief that they could be anything they wanted to be and an enduring quest to find the perfect pen.

Bobbie lived most of her adult life managing Type 1 diabetes, which she faced in her own way. Though caring for her health was not always easy for her, she met life on her own terms — with sharp intelligence, humor, and a strong sense of what pleased her and what did not. She found real joy in small things: a cuddle from a soft cat, a frozen treat on a hot day, or the perfect ripe tomato. She enjoyed old movies, watching the Saints, and complaining about politics. Those simple pleasures brought her comfort and delight. She had a curious and open mind when it came to spiritual matters and even spent time in an ashram.

A private service will be held at a later date. For anyone wishing to honor Bobbie, the family suggests donations to the American Diabetes Association (diabetes.org).

Arrangements have been entrusted to Cypress Funeral Home & Crematory, 206 W. Lafayette St., Maurice, LA 70555.