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Barbara Smith, 78, Devoted to Family, Enjoyed Cooking

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Barbara Ann (Chudy) Smith, age 78 of Darien, beloved wife to Jerome "Jerry" Smith for 57 years, entered into eternal life on March 25, 2022.

Barbara was born and raised in Stamford and was the daughter of the late John and Mary (Novak) Chudy.

Barbara graduated from Stamford High School, Class of 1961. Barbara was known for her strength, kindness, warm spirit, sense of humor, and dedication to family. She was a devoted wife and mother, but loved being a grandmother above all else. Her grandchildren were her pride and joy.

Barbara's happiest place was at the kitchen table serving a home-cooked meal. No one ever left her house hungry or empty-handed.

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In addition to her loving husband, Barbara's memory will be cherished by a daughter, Lori Palau, and her husband, Jay of Clifton, Virginia; her grandchildren: Robert Smith and his wife, Fotini; Joseph and Vanessa Palau; her great-granddaughter, Willow Smith; and her brother, Edward Chudy. She is also survived by her nieces: Mary Chudy, Amy Chudy, Alexandra Chudy, and her nephew, Ned Chudy. Barbara was predeceased by a beloved son, William Smith, and brother John Chudy.

Her wake was held March 31, 2022, and her funeral on April 1 at Lawrence Funeral Home. Burial followed at St. John Cemetery in Darien.

— [an obituary](#) from *Lawrence Funeral Home*, where online condolences may be left