Barbara Irene Haworth lost her life to cancer on Tuesday morning after a nine year battle. She was 71, strong and beautiful to the end.

She was born in East Liverpool, Ohio on Sept. 23, 1943 to Karol and Pauline Meeks. She was brought to Fontana as a young girl, and lived here the rest of her life. She married her husband 52 years ago and they raised their family on Tangelo Avenue. She worked as a school secretary at both Palmetto and Poplar elementary schools collectively over 20 years, during the late 70s through the early 90s. She retired at 57 and was able to devote herself full-time to her family and their lovely home. Her three children all agreed that this was where her heart was and where she shined. She was a devoted wife, mom and grandma.

Barbara leaves behind her husband, Mike Haworth; their son, Todd (Grace) of Bloomington; their daughters, Rhonda