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**BARBARA (LINSKY-HEFFRON) LAVAN**



LAVAN, BARBARA (LINSKY-HEFFRON) 70 - of Egg Harbor. With family surrounding her, Barbara (Linsky-Heffron) LaVan peacefully passed away on February 18, after a sudden illness. The daughter of Frances Linsky-Schoder, she was born in Philadelphia on August 26, 1939. A graduate of Hallahan High School, Barbara will be remembered for her energy, warmth, vitality and kind heart. "Barbara was always there," recalled Art McMasters, President/CEO of the Miss America Organization, which Barbara served as Fundraising Chairman. "I needed help, and when I reached out, she was the first one who came running." She also served the Miss New Jersey Education Foundation. She and her husband collaborated in the operation of numerous businesses, most notably The Pump Room in Flourtown, PA. Barbara is survived by the love of her life, her husband of 40 years, Bill; her children, Donna (Kevin) Hilley, Bob (Ann) Heffron, Carole (David) Simons, James (Glenn) Heffron, Kevin (Lise) Heffron, Christopher Heffron, Tom (Erin) Heffron, and Bill (Julie) LaVan. She will be remembered as "Fab Nan" by her twenty grandchildren and three great grandchildren. She is also survived by a sister Marianne Loftus and a brother, Edward (Loretta) Linksy. A mass will be held February 27, 10am at Our Lady of Mount Carmel Catholic Church. Reception at Moshulu 12pm. Donations may be made to the Barbara Lavan Memorial Fund, Law Offices of Julie A. LaVan, 11 East Main Street, Moorestown, NJ 08057

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