



**Name:** Barbara Ann Kritzman

**Age:** 70

**Hometown:** Bad Axe

**Funeral Date:** July 11, 2025

**Date of Birth:** April 06, 1955

**Date of Passing:** July 09, 2025

**Funeral Home:** **MacAlpine Funeral Home**

#### **Funeral Information**

Visitation and prayer service for Barbara Ann Dukelow Kritzman will be held on Friday, July 11, 2025, at the MacAlpine Funeral Home in Bad Axe, with visitation from 1:00-3:00 PM followed by a prayer service at 3:00 PM. In place of flowers, contributions may be made to McLaren Thumb Hospice. Condolences may be shared with the family at [www.macalpinefuneralhome.com](http://www.macalpinefuneralhome.com)

#### **Family of the Deceased**

Barb is survived by her husband, Michael Kritzman, her daughter, Kimberly Duggan Merchant, and her two grandchildren, Audrey and Liam Merchant. Barb's surviving three brothers are Thomas Dukelow, James (Mingli) Dukelow, and Michael (Kathleen) Dukelow, sister-in-law, Ningmas Dukelow, and several nieces and nephews. Barb was preceded in death by her parents, Richard and Sophia Dukelow, and her brother Richard Dukelow.

## **Biography**

Barbara Ann Dukelow Kritzman, age 70, of Bad Axe, passed away on July 9, 2025 at home surrounded by her loving family. Barb was born in Bad Axe on April 6, 1955, to Richard and Sophia Dukelow. A farm girl her entire life, she was known for her incredible ability to fix and build just about anything-a true example of resilience and self-reliance. After graduating from Bad Axe High School in 1973, Barb began a career in physical therapy at Huron Memorial Hospital (now McLaren), where she touched the lives of many with her care and compassion. She shared 32 years with her partner, Brad Bair, with whom she raised Aussie Doodles that found homes worldwide. Brad preceded her in death on May 22, 2021. Later, Barb reunited with her high school sweetheart, Michael Kritzman. They were married on January 29, 2024, and looked forward to a long and joyful life together. Barb loved the outdoors and spending time in nature. She found happiness in hunting, raising her Australian Shepherds, riding Harley- Davidsons, and working with her horses.