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Barbara Eugenia Bevan, age 86, passed away peacefully on March 9, 2025. Barbara was born on February 16, 1939, in Detroit, Kansas, to Lester and Ruth Schlatter. She was the adventurous older sister of Ken Schlatter, who was born two years later.

Barbara was a vibrant young woman, excelling in school and developing a passion for music early on. Her adventurous spirit and intellectual curiosity led her down many paths.

In 1959, Barbara married Nelson Funston, with whom she had two children, Craig and Diana. The family lived in Champaign, Illinois, while Nelson earned his PhD, and later relocated to the Seattle area. After the end of her marriage, Barbara began exploring alternative spiritual philosophies and moved to an ashram to teach meditation to inmates in the New York prison system. Her interest in spiritual growth led her to India, where she continued her exploration of Eastern spiritual practices.

Eventually, Barbara returned to Seattle and later moved to Bellingham to be

closer to her son and his family. In 1995, she married Glen Bevan. Together, Barbara and Glen shared a love of Dixieland jazz music, dancing, and building their small business together in their rural home.

Barbara was preceded in death by her husband Glen. She is survived by her brother, Ken Schlatter (Jean), her children Craig Funston (Karen) and Diana Remington, her grandchildren Kjel Funston (Maddie Myers), Peter Funston (Hanna Jones), Rachel Remington, and Piper Remington, as well as her stepchildren Wendy Chestnut (Scott), Merrill Bevan (Amy), Holly Bumford (Bo), and step-grandchildren Hannah Siano, Michael Siano, and Danielle Cook (Ty).

A graveside memorial will be held on Thursday, March 13, 2025, at 10 a.m. at Greenacres Memorial Park. She will be laid to rest next to her husband Glen in the meadows portion of the park, surrounded by verdant nature.