In Memory of Barbara Findeisen, MA, MFT, PhD honorarium March 12, 1928 - October 2, 2021



Barbara Reid Findeisen departed this life on October 2, 2021, leaving behind her three children; D. Reid Findeisen of Alameda, CA, Mark J. Findeisen of San Jose, CA, and Lisa Griffin of San Leandro, CA, four grandchildren, and thousands of friends, colleagues, and former clients to mourn her loss.

Barbara was a psychotherapist for more than four decades and a pioneer in prenatal and perinatal psychology. Her impact on clients and colleagues alike is immeasurable. In 1986, she founded Pocket Ranch, a transformational residential treatment center for individuals in search of sanctuary and support in Sonoma County, California. In 2003, she and her husband, Charlie, relocated to Tubac, Arizona, to a property that proved ideal for the continuation of her work. Kenyon Ranch (also known as Pocket Sanctuary) was her home and passion for her remaining years. Barbara's genius and leadership was the guiding light for this sanctuary and for the STAR Foundation, which she created and directed. She also maintained a private practice, beginning in 1976 in Palo Alto, CA and continuing through many locations and into her final months at Kenyon Ranch.

Barbara was a founding member and Vice President of the Association for Regression Research and Therapy. She was a founding member and served as the third president (from 2000 to 2002) of the Association for Prenatal and Perinatal Psychology and Health (APPPAH). She continued as a board member and active contributor to APPPAH's mission through congress presentations and contributions to the association's journal (JOPPPAH).

She was narrator and producer of two documentary films, *Journey to Be Born* and the *Psychology of Birth*, presented at numerous national and international conferences, and was a guest on radio and TV shows, including the Oprah Winfrey program. These achievements, in addition to her book, *Womb Prints*, have made a major, foundational contribution to the field of pre and perinatal psychology.

For all of us, who were privileged to know and love Barbara, this is a tremendous loss. The loss, however, is offset by gratitude for having shared time on earth with this exceptional and inspiring human being.