



Bernadette M. Miller

September 30, 1949 - December 2, 2016

Bernadette M. Miller (nee Rossi) age 67 of Tinley Park passed away on Dec. 2, 2016. The dedicated and loving mother of Kristin (Dan) Hoffmann. Beloved daughter of James (Dorothy) Rossi. Adored grandmother (Gram-me) of Elyse and Adele Hoffmann. Supportive and caring sister of Therese "Terry" Rossi, Anne "Annie" Rossi, Joseph "Joey" (Diane) and James "Jimmy" Rossi, Jr. Former wife of Dennis Miller. Bernadette grew up in Chicago (on the "East Side") and was a graduate of St. Francis de Sales H.S. (Class of '67) where she had multiple classmates that became life long friends. She earned her teaching degree at Eastern Illinois University. She later earned her Masters at University of Illinois. School Dist. 117 is where she started her career, teaching at Glen Oaks Elementary and Conrady Jr. High School. During her 35 years of teaching, she made many close and long lasting friendships. Over the years she taught every grade from K-8th. Always thinking of others, she was the best gift giver and somehow knew just the thing that would make someone smile. She had a talent for arts, crafts and sewing. In her youth she made much of her own clothing. She also made her only daughter clothing, wall hangings, keepsakes and many intricate halloween costumes. She continued the halloween costume making tradition for her granddaughters and hosted many memorable crafting, sewing and painting sessions with them. She volunteered at Neat Repeats Resale Shop in Orland Park and is a parishioner of St. Stephen Deacon & Martyr Church. She is so very loved by so many and will be missed dearly. Memorial visitation Thursday, Dec. 8th, 3:00pm-8:00pm

at Heartland Memorial Center 7151 W. 183rd St.. Funeral Mass Friday, meet at St. Stephen Deacon & Martyr Church 17500 S. 84th Ave., Tinley Park for Mass at 10:00am. Family is requesting memorials be made to St. Jude Children's Research Hospital. For info or to sign the guestbook heartlandmemorial.com or 708-444-2266

Tribute Wall



“ 60 files added to the album *Life Tributes*



Heartland Memorial Center - December 08, 2016 at 12:45 PM



“ *Kristen and family, may you find comfort in knowing how beloved and respected Berni was by everyone she touched. Even Junior High students! I remember teaching first grade with her at Dorn and she was the consummate organizer. She wrote so much on the board, she had a skin condition on her hands from the chalk and had to wear special gloves. I miss her, but know that she is safe in the arms of God.*

Barbara Miles - December 08, 2016 at 12:41 PM

GB

“ *Thank you for your friendship, Bernadette! You are a truly wonderful woman! May the peace of The Lord be with you always! Gregory Balint*

Gregory Balint - December 08, 2016 at 10:40 AM

JS

“ There are so any happy and fun memories!! You are truly a great and loving friend! You will be missed but you'll always be in my heart, my friend. My heartfelt sympathy and prayers go out to the whole family. Love, Joanne and Tom.

Joanne Sandman - December 07, 2016 at 10:27 PM

MS

“ Dearest Bernie, my friend,
Bless you.
I so very much miss you on Facebook . You were and are a shining light.
Thank you for orchestrating so many wonderful get-togethers with our beloved college friends. You are always an inspiration.
Love, Mary

mary forsythe smith - December 07, 2016 at 01:55 PM

GI

“ Miss you!
Ginger



Ginger - December 03, 2016 at 10:50 PM

TC

“ So sorry we had great times golfing Toni Connelly

Toni Connelly - December 03, 2016 at 09:47 PM

LK

“ *My condolences to the family and friends of Bernadette.*

*Love,
Linda and Walt Koblack*

Linda Koblack - December 03, 2016 at 04:43 PM

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ANNE ROSSI - December 03, 2016 at 04:25 PM

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“ *My sister, my hero, my friend. Missing you so much already but know you are at peace and looking down on us and probably upset because we are so sad. You wanted us to celebrate your life and that we will, in time big sister. Like others who have gone down this road before- I've reached for the phone to text or call you, and then remember you won't be there to answer; or I wake up and every is good- for a few seconds, and then remember you aren't with us any longer...I understand their pain now and see they somehow are getting through their grief, so I should be able to do so too. I just told Shawn, I guess we have to pull up our big girl panties and get through this, after all that's what you would've done! You know how much I love you and now I miss you that much too! Love you B!*

ANNE ROSSI - December 03, 2016 at 04:22 PM