



Barbara Rae Dunn

March 21, 1937 - January 7, 2017

Barbara R. Dunn, age 79, of Bourbonnais, passed away Saturday, January 7, 2017 at Miller Healthcare Center in Kankakee.

Barbara was born March 21, 1937 in Chicago, the daughter of William & Marion Smith Fanning.

Barbara married Thomas J. Dunn on April 15, 1961 at St. Joseph Catholic Church in Manteno. He preceded her in death December 27, 2014.

She was a school teacher and had substituted often at Bishop McNamara High School. Barbara was a graduate of Olivet Nazarene University.

Barbara was a member of Maternity BVM Catholic Church. She was active with the Kankakee County Humane Foundation. She enjoyed spending time with her grandchildren.

Surviving are one son and daughter-in-law, Patrick & Marissa Dunn of Bourbonnais; one sister, Beverly Bowers of Greensboro, NC; and five grandchildren, Ian, Brenna, Alyssa, Kaitlyn, and Anna Dunn.

In addition to her husband, she is also preceded in death by her parents and one son, Thomas "Jim" Dunn Jr.

Visitation will be held 4:00 – 7:00 p.m. on Friday, January 13, 2017 at Clancy-Gernon Funeral Home in Bourbonnais. Funeral Mass will be celebrated at 11:00 a.m. on Saturday, January 14, 2017 at Maternity BVM Catholic Church.

Interment will follow at Maternity BVM Cemetery in Bourbonnais.

Memorials may be made to the Kankakee County Humane Foundation.

Cemetery Details

Maternity Cemetery

Corner of Canterbury Lane & William Latham
Dr.
Bourbonnais, IL 60914

Previous Events

Visitation

JAN 13. 4:00 PM - 7:00 PM (CT)

Bourbonnais - Clancy-Gernon Funeral Homes, Inc.
295 Main St., NW
Bourbonnais, IL 60914
(815) 932-1214
cgfuneral@gmail.com

Funeral Mass

JAN 14. 11:00 AM (CT)

Maternity B.V.M. Catholic Church
308 E. Marsile
Bourbonnais, IL 60914
(815) 933-8285
<http://www.mbvchurch.org/>

Tribute Wall

VA

“ Barbara became a part of our family in 1964 when I was in her kindergarten class in Manteno. She was like a beloved Aunt to me. My dad & I had a great visit with her in August 2016 when I was home. Such a lovely lady. I will miss her terribly. I will keep Patrick and family in my prayers.

Valarie A. Arseneau - January 18, 2017 at 01:22 PM

AD

“ We miss you Grandma Dunn! Rest in peace! Tell grandpa and Uncle Jim we said hello.

We love you! Oxox
Alyssa, Kaitlyn, and Anna

Alyssa, Kait,& Anna Dunn - January 15, 2017 at 08:39 AM

JS

“ Prayers and Condolences to the Family. She was in my 1955 class .John Shreffler Manteno .

john shreffler - January 13, 2017 at 07:08 PM

GD

“ Dear Patrick,
I am sorry I cannot make it to your mom's visitation. Recently had hip replacement. Barb was one of my most supportive and energetic room mothers. One year she convinced all the mothers to pool together for a special Christmas gift for me. I still treasure that music box and will think of your mom as I continue to enjoy it. My sympathy to you all.
Sincerely, Gale Dodge

Gale Dodge - January 13, 2017 at 04:43 PM

JB

“ *Barb Dunn was one of a kind and a friend to all. I will always remember the generous heart of both her and Mr Dunn. They often gave donations to Kankakee County animal Control. They had a special love for collies and adopted a wonderful collie named Bingo. Barb also helped with countless others through sheltie rescue. One of my fondest memories involves a wolf-hybrid named Zion that came into our care. Our only choice was to relocate him to a wolf sanctuary or the unthinkable. Barb transported him to Colorado where he became a wolf ambassador. I have a very touching letter from Barb with the last picture of Zion that I will treasure forever. I will never forget you Barb, thank you for all your kindness and support!*

*Prayers of comfort to Barb's family and friends!
With Deepest Sympathy,
Julie Boudreau*



Julie Boudreau - January 12, 2017 at 02:49 PM

EK

“ *My sympathy goes out to her family. I work with her daughter-in-law Marissa. The photos posted were beautiful!*

Erin Keenan - January 11, 2017 at 08:36 PM



“ *Barb was always in Jewel with a smile on her face! she was hands down my favorite customer. I loved seeing her everytime she came into the store. she was always so positive about her struggles.. I will truly miss this sweet beautiful soul. may she rest in peace and no longer be suffering.*

Chelsea Rueff - January 11, 2017 at 12:18 PM

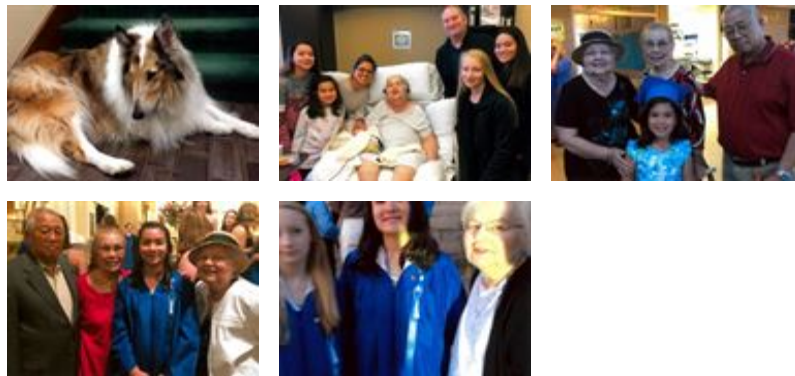


“ *We had so much fun during our days at Maternity BVM. When we were room mothers together, Barb was "over the top." We always used a lace tablecloth and a punch bowl. I remember handwriting Bingo cards with all the student names on them - lots of work but a remembrance of how she put so much of herself into everything - a very special lady!*
Carol Whittington

Carol Whittington - January 10, 2017 at 03:00 PM



“ 58 files added to the album Life Tributes



Clancy-Gernon Funeral Homes - January 10, 2017 at 02:36 PM

CS

“ My sincere sympathy goes out to you, Patrick. Your mother was so supportive when you were in my kindergarten class at Manteno. Thinking of you at this difficult time.
Carolyn Swartz

Carolyn Swartz - January 10, 2017 at 09:06 AM

MB

“ Barb was one of my strongest supporters at McNamara and MBVM. I loved her generosity of spirit. She will be sorely missed.

Monica Brigham - January 09, 2017 at 08:49 PM

BM

“ I always remember how fun she was when she was a substitute teacher for us in school❤️❤️ such a sweet lady🥰

bobbie murokh - January 09, 2017 at 08:48 PM

JB

“ I delivered mail to the Dunn's way back in the early 80's, and they were such a nice family, along with the Collie dogs who used to roam the yard eagerly awaiting the mailman. Jerry the Mailman

jerry bjick - January 09, 2017 at 06:57 PM

LG

“ Barb always came to the floral department to say hello to me. No matter how bad she felt she was always smiling. Barb you will be deeply missed.



lisa gerhart - January 09, 2017 at 06:25 PM

SH

“ *My prayers and condolences to the family.
She was my first teacher.*



Shari Miller Hammer - January 09, 2017 at 05:29 PM

SH

“ *She was a wonderful jewel customer and a great co worker (Moose Lodge) she will be missed in so many ways..*

Sharon - January 09, 2017 at 03:59 PM

JH

“ *She was such a nice lady.
My thoughts and prayers are with you and her family. I pray for peace and strength for you and your family during this difficult time.*



Janelle Hindmand - January 09, 2017 at 11:36 AM

JH

“ *Joelene St.John Hays lit a candle in memory of Barbara Rae Dunn*



Joelene St.John Hays - January 09, 2017 at 10:52 AM

FH

“ *I spent many happy memories with Barbara and her family in Manteno. Our condolences to the family.*
Frances and Jerry Haase.

Frances Haase - January 09, 2017 at 10:28 AM