



## **Sr. Barbara J. Lux SSCM**

June 27, 1945 - April 23, 2014

Sister Barbara J. Lux SSCM, 68, of Carterville, died Wednesday (April 23, 2014) at Presence St. Mary's Hospital in Kankakee. She was born June 27, 1945, in Chicago, the daughter of Cletus J. and Rita Halter Lux.

She was a 1959 graduate of St. Jane de Chantal Grade School and a 1963 graduate of St. Joseph High School. She earned her Bachelor of Arts in psychology and theology in 1993 at St. Mary of the Woods College.

Sister Barbara made her profession of faith Aug. 18, 1985, and her perpetual vows Aug. 14, 1988. From 1985 to 1993, Sister Barbara served as Hospital Chaplain at Mercy Hospital and Covenant Medical Center in Urbana. She served at the United Stand Family Counseling Center in Chicago from 1993 to 2002, where she counseled elementary students and adults. In 1996, she became local leader of her community. From 2002 to 2005, she was a counselor at RITAS Ministry in Batavia. From 2005 until her death, Sister Barbara was a counselor with Catholic Social Services, and she founded the Awakenings program which assisted individuals on probation and parole. She was a licensed counselor, a volunteer for the American Red Cross, and an instructor at Gabriel Richard Institute.

Surviving are her parents; two brothers, James Lux and Richard Lux; two sisters and brothers-in-law, Kathryn and Jesse Rodriguez and Linda and

Wayne Heifner; many nieces, nephews, great-nieces and great-nephews; and dear friend, Eleanor Ditrick.

Visitation will be from 5 p.m. to 8 p.m. Friday in the chapel at Presence St. Mary's Hospital, Kankakee, where her funeral Mass will be celebrated at 10 a.m. Saturday. There will also be a memorial Mass celebrated at a later date in Carterville. Interment will follow in St. Mary's Cemetery, Beaverville. Memorials may be made to Ministry Fund of Servants of Holy Heart of Mary or to Hospice of Kankakee Valley. Clancy-Gernon Funeral Home, Bourbonnais, is in charge of arrangements.

Memorials may be made to Hospice of Kankakee Valley - [www.hkvcares.org](http://www.hkvcares.org) or Ministry Fund of Servants of the Holy Heart of Mary - [www.osms.org](http://www.osms.org)

# Cemetery Details

## St. Mary's Cemetery

Beaverville, IL 60912  
(815) 435-2006

# Previous Events

## Visitation

APR **25**. 5:00 PM - 8:00 PM (CT)

Presence St. Mary's Hospital Chapel  
Kankakee, IL

## Funeral Mass

APR **26**. 10:00 AM (CT)

Presence St. Mary's Hospital Chapel  
Kankakee, IL

# Tribute Wall

TA

“ Aunt Rita, Uncle Cletus and all the family. Praying for comfort for all of you at this sad time. So sorry we will not be able to attend Barb's wake and funeral. My heart hurts for you--for it is a heavy cross--to have to bury one of your children. Barb is just fine tho. She lived her life for the Lord. "Well done, good and faithful servant." Much love.  
Therese and Mike Ansberry

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**Therese Ansberry** - April 25, 2014 at 07:58 PM

CB

“ I worked with Sister Barb at Catholic Social Service in Carbondale. Barb was such a wonderful lady, always positive and upbeat. She really had a compassionate heart. Condolences to her family and friends.

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**Celeste Buschschulte** - April 25, 2014 at 10:14 AM

JB

“ I worked with Sister Barb at Catholic Social Services in Carbondale, she was a wonderful person. I had my doubts at that time with the Catholic church and she took time to sit down with me and listen and explain different parts of the mass. I appreciated her understanding and thoughtfulness. She will be missed. Janet Bahr-Ferry

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**Janet Bahr-Ferry** - April 25, 2014 at 10:03 AM