



Judith L. Miller

July 13, 1951 - December 30, 2016

Judith L. Miller, age 65, of Bourbonnais, passed away Friday, December 30, 2016 at Presence St. Mary's Hospital in Kankakee.

She was born July 13, 1951 in Detroit, MI, the daughter of Clair Douglas & Lillian J. Reed Brown.

Judith married James "Red" Miller on July 12, 1973 in East Detroit, MI.

She was a former employee of College Church of the Nazarene.

Judith enjoyed crocheting, sewing, quilting, and riding in her golf cart.

Surviving are her husband, Red Miller of Bourbonnais; one sister, Sally & Troy Stoneking of Lincoln; two brothers, Clair Douglas Jr. & Bunny Brown of Howell, MI and Wesley & Glenda Brown of Fowlerville, MI; and several nieces and nephews; and great-nieces and great-nephews.

She is preceded in death by her parents.

Visitation will be held 9:00 a.m. until the 11:00 a.m. funeral service on Saturday, January 7, 2017 at College Church of the Nazarene. Cremation Rites will be accorded following the funeral service.

Memorials may be made to Presence St. Mary's Hospital Pulmonary Rehabilitation Unit.

Previous Events

Visitation

JAN 7. 9:00 AM - 11:00 AM (CT)

College Church of the Nazarene
200 University Ave.
Bourbonnais, IL
(815) 933-7749
<http://www.collegechurch.org/>

Funeral Service

JAN 7. 11:00 AM (CT)

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Tribute Wall

PM

“ I have lost a beautiful, wonderful, fun-loving friend in Judi, and will miss and love her always. We had such good times together. Words cannot express how very sad I am. My prayers and sympathy go to Red, Sally, Troy and the entire family. I love you, Judi Judi

Patti Marcotte

Patti Marcotte - January 06, 2017 at 09:41 PM

MS

“ Mike and Linda Stone purchased the I Have You in My Heart Memorial Throw for the family of Judith L. Miller.



Mike and Linda Stone - January 05, 2017 at 10:39 AM

DE

“ Hi My best memories are when it was camp meeting time - we would get on the golf cart and chases the rabbits. we would laugh because I almost fell off the cart. and times we had good talking about everything. She was the best friend I ever had. I will really miss her. She will always be in my heart. I love you Judi and you were a big influence in my life. my eyes are tearing up so I have to go . There are alot more to say



deborahcoleman - January 04, 2017 at 08:17 AM

“For the past few days I’ve been trying to process the unthinkable idea that Judi is gone. I’ve been sifting through memories of when we worked together, of sitting in her living room talking, of admiring her latest projects, kicking decorating ideas around which later became projects for poor Red . . . and I realized that whenever I think of her, I see her laughing. In fact, I hear her laughing. Her laugh is embedded in my mind forever! (I have one small brain cell that doesn’t believe she has really left us and it keeps telling me that suddenly I’ll hear her cackling because I read about her death on the internet and was dumb enough to believe it. She’ll ask me, don’t I know how many doctors told her she was done and she outlived them?)

I first met Judi when I started working at College Church, 18 years ago. We got each other through many awkward staff lunches, but the most “fun” we had was when I had youth mission trip money to track and count. Nothing made her laugh quite as hard as my accounting skills, unless it was my inability to count a stack of cash and get the same total twice. I really needed her! She also gave me good “financial advice for dummies” when she told me to think of how many hours I’d have to work to pay for some item I wanted to buy.

Judi’s physical being was tiny, but her spirit was HUGE. That girl loved God, Red, her family, friends, caregivers and even strangers. Just because she left her church job didn’t mean she wasn’t as busy as ever. She was constantly working on quilting and crochet projects as gifts for friends, family, and people in need. One of my favorite recent pictures of her showed her shopping in her wheelchair with a massive basket of yarn in front of her. I teased her because it looked like she was riding in the shopping cart. She loved a good laugh. At work, we used to ask each other if we were laughing too much or at inappropriate things, and promised to tell each other if we were. One time when she was hospitalized someone came to pray with her. During the prayer Judi suddenly heard beautiful, angelic, far-away music and wondered if she’d died

during the prayer. Turned out it was a classical piece which was the ringtone on the person's phone.

She never let her physical limitations limit her "Judi-ness." She had physical challenges that would have left many people wallowing in self-pity, but she was the most positive person I've ever met. She didn't have the physical stamina for heavy-duty house cleaning, but that gave her the opportunity to be an awesome influence on the many young women who came to assist her over the years. She always wanted to be a blessing and even though she sometimes said that in a joking way, she really was a walking, talking miracle and a testimony to God's faithfulness and care. I will miss her. I will miss her popping up on my Facebook page to poke fun at me and I will definitely miss her daily praises. But her laughter will always stay with me.



Linda Stone - January 03, 2017 at 11:04 PM

BF

“ *Judi was the life of the party! There was always laughter sometime a little craziness but we sure had fun! Judi always would encourage others when they were down even if she wasn't feeling her best. Had sooo many great times together or talks, and I was very lucky to have you as my cousin. Judi was fault a good life until the very end. Everytime she got sick real bad and it didn't look good she came out as winner, but this time God must have told her I need you to come home now. One thing that is helping me and that is Judi is in no more pain. She is probably laughing even more now, because it is easier to do. Also, Judi is having a reunion party with her parents and other family members.*

Judi you will be greatly missed by everyone who knows you and specialty the ones who you touch by simply saying something that they needed to be said.

God bless you and I truly miss you very much!

Love you!

Your old cousin Becky. XOXOXO

Becky Farris - January 03, 2017 at 03:06 PM

BT

“ *I remember Judi for her warm personality and her ability to make anyone laugh. She was a very loveable person*

Bobby Tucker - January 03, 2017 at 02:51 PM