



Barbara Ann Molloy

January 3, 1940 - November 10, 2020

Barbara Ann Molloy, 80, died on the evening of November 10, 2020 at OSF St. Anthony's Health Center in Alton after a short but courageous battle with COVID. Due to the pandemic, the funeral mass was postponed.

Barb was born on January 3, 1940 in Alton to Robert and Genevieve (Arnold) Redd. She attended St. Patrick's grade school where she met her husband, Michael Molloy, Sr. She graduated from Marquette Catholic High School. She married Mike on November 4, 1961 and the two were the parents of four beautiful children. She was a member of St. Mary's Catholic Church in Alton.

Barb dedicated many years to her career as a nursing home administrator. She was a friend to all and never met a stranger. She had an infectious laugh and a smile that could light up any room.

She is survived by her daughter, Jennifer Ridings (Stephen) of Alton; two granddaughters, Emily Freeman (Bobby Trnavsky) of St. Louis, MO and Abigail Freeman (Spencer Bosoluke) of Bozeman, MT; a cousin, Rosemary Richey; a sister-in-law, Jan Molloy; brothers-in-law, Richard Renard and Tom Wilson; and many nieces and nephews.

She was preceded in death by her husband; infant daughter, Melissa; son Michael James Jr.; parents; mother-in-law, Opal Molloy; father-in-law, Weston

Molloy; brother-in-law, Timothy Molloy Sr.; and sisters-in-law, Patricia Wilson and Kay Renard.

On June 3rd, 2021, Barb's oldest daughter, Michelle, passed away suddenly. The two had an inseparable bond and were only able to be apart for seven short months. A joint Mass of Christian burial will be held on Friday, June 18, 2021 at 10:00 a.m. at St. Mary's Catholic Church in Alton. Burial will be held at Scenic Hill Cemetery in Grafton, IL.

In lieu of flowers, memorials may be made to Shriners Hospital for Children in St. Louis.

Gent Funeral Home in Alton is in charge of arrangements. Online guestbook and information may be found at www.gentfuneralhome.com

Cemetery Details

Scenic Hill Cemetery

Grafton, IL

Previous Events

Memorial Service

JUN 18. 10:00 AM (CT)

St. Mary's Catholic Church
4th and Henry Street
Alton, IL 62002

Tribute Wall



“ *Barbara Ann Molloy*

January 28, 2023 at 10:19 AM



“ *Barbara Ann Molloy*

January 28, 2023 at 08:19 AM



“ *Classmate from kindergarten through high school. Many times I was mistaken for Barb especially by Msgr Suddes. Enjoyed our recent luncheons with the St. Pat's girls. Barb is loved and will be missed by many. May she rest in peace.*

Sandy Goeken - November 14, 2020 at 05:43 PM



“ *Barb,
I treasure that you were part of our family's lives for so many years. I will hold on to the countless laughs we had together, the amazing trip to Disneyland with our families in the 1970s, your amazing story telling abilities and your big heart.
May you light up heaven the way you lit up our lives here on earth!*

*Much love,
Tim Arnold*

Tim Arnold - November 13, 2020 at 11:42 PM

PL

“ So sorry Jenny & Michelle for your loss. Barb & I had much in common. Were both born on same day (year apart), both went to St Pats & Marquette, & we both grew up on Brown St. two blocks apart. She and Mike were great people and will be truly missed.
Paul & Barb Lanzerotte.

Paul Lanzerotte - November 13, 2020 at 09:43 PM

BP

“ Ms. Barb was such an awesome person. I've been blessed to have known her for 23 years. We had a friendship that was more like sisters. She was such a generous, kind and loving person. Always taking care of others. Always smiling. And she had so many witty comments and jokes that would make you laugh from deep inside. I look forward to seeing her again in paradise. I pray for Jenny and Michelle to find comfort during this time and to know that they too are loved by many.

Berta Perry - November 13, 2020 at 10:30 AM

PW

“ Oh my, what a shock this was to see. Just talked to Barb recently. Although we are second cousins, our contact with one another was not as often as it should have been. What a wonderful lady, mother, friend, faithful person she was. Condolences to Michelle and Jennifer who have been through so much hurt this year. I pray that God will give you the strength to get through the days, months, and years of losing and missing your loved ones. I will miss her too.

Patricia West - November 12, 2020 at 10:22 PM

CS

“ So many memories.....So blessed to have Barb in my life! Worked at Greenwood Manor for her. She loved her residents , and her staff. My sympathy and prayers for comfort to Michelle, Jenny/girls, and Rosemary & all of our Greenwood Manor family that loved her

Carolyn Short - November 12, 2020 at 10:19 PM

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Barb Malloy was a wonderful person and a great neighbor. We certainly enjoyed chatting with her when we took our walks. Bill fondly remembers changing the cast iron scraps for Mike's machine at the Owens Illinois mold shop when Bill was working there in the summers as a college student in the 60s. We will certainly miss her. May perpetual light shine upon her and may she rest in peace.

Anna and Bill Haine - November 13, 2020 at 05:30 PM