



Barbara G. Sheehan

August 24, 1941 - November 14, 2020

Barbara G. Sheehan 79, of Naples, FL died Saturday, November 14, 2020 at Naples Community Hospital. She was born on August 24, 1941 in Woonsocket, RI a daughter of the late Stephen and Anastasia (née Sowiecki) Gnot. Barbara had been a resident of Naples since 2010 moving from North Smithfield, RI.

After high school, she attended Bryant College. While in high school she met the love of her life, and future husband, Thomas M. Sheehan. After dating for six years, while he was in college studying to be an Optometrist, they eventually married on October 17, 1964.

After graduation, Dr. Sheehan joined a practice in Woonsocket and in 1981 Barbara became his office manager. She retired after 26 years as his office manager when he sold his practice.

She was a parishioner at St. Leo the Great Catholic Church in Bonita Springs, FL. Her hobbies included knitting with her friends, water aerobics and she was an avid reader.

Barbara is survived by her beloved husband of 56 years, Dr. Thomas M. Sheehan of Naples, FL; one daughter, Kelly S. Salema and her husband, Dennis of Derry, NH; her daughter-in-law, Tanya Sheehan of Kennesaw, GA,

her sister-in-law Ruth Sheehan of East Hartford, CT and 5 grandchildren, Nicholas J. Salema and Allison L. Salema both of Derry, NH, Ryan Q. Sheehan of Kennesaw, GA, Craig W. Sheehan of Augusta, GA and Mark T. Sheehan of Kennesaw, GA.

She was preceded in death by her parents, her brother-in-law, James Sheehan of East Hartford, CT, her sister-in-law, Carolyn Brand of North Smithfield, RI, and one son, Kevin T. Sheehan of Kennesaw, GA who died in August of this year.

A Mass of Christian Burial will be celebrated on Thursday, November 19, 2020 at 10:00 AM at St. Leo the Great Catholic Church. 28300 Beaumont Rd., Bonita Springs, FL. The family will receive friends at the church from 9:30 AM until the time of the Mass. The Mass will be live-streamed on the Shikany's Bonita Funeral Home and Crematory Facebook page beginning at 10:00 AM.

In lieu of flowers, donations in her memory may be made to the Colorectal Cancer Alliance, 1025 Vermont Ave NW, Suite 1066, Washington, DC 20005 or to St. Jude Children's Research Hospital PO Box 1893 Memphis, TN 38101-9950 or online at www.stjude.org.

To sign her guest register or to leave online condolences please visit www.ShikanyFuneralHome.com.

Arrangements are being handled by Shikany's Bonita Funeral Home and Crematory Family Owned and Operated Since 1978.

Previous Events

Receiving of Friends

NOV 19. 9:30 AM - 10:00 AM (ET)

St. Leo the Great Catholic Church
28300 Beaumont Road
Bonita Springs, FL 34134

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Tribute Wall



“ *Barbara G. Sheehan*

October 09, 2023 at 03:40 AM



“ *Sheila Soul Schilling lit a candle in memory of Barbara G. Sheehan*



Sheila Soul Schilling - November 19, 2020 at 05:05 PM



“ *I met Barbara at the local knit shop where we gathered to knit, share our life challenges, and accomplishments. The knit shop closed but we were not to be deterred, finding another spot to gather on Wed. night & Sunday afternoons. I will miss Barbara's twinkling eyes, quick wit & sense of humor. She will be deeply missed. My deepest Sympathy to the Sheehan family. She was so proud of her family, her love for each of you shown through each time she spoke of you.*

Denise Hofer - November 19, 2020 at 01:30 PM

GR

“ I have known Barbara for 58 years, as one of Tom's BFF. Always a welcoming smile, a cute giggle, and HUGE hug. Spent many a fun Saturday night at Scott A.F. Base in Belleville Il. playing cards, fondue anyone ?, M&M's, and cheering LBJ's resignation announcement. Christmas window shopping at Famous Barr in St Louis with Kelly in her stroller. Always joyful. Goodbye wonderful friend you will be greatly missed.

George Roberts - November 18, 2020 at 03:08 PM



“ Heavenly and Harmony was purchased for the family of Barbara G. Sheehan.



November 18, 2020 at 02:02 PM

BB

“ Betty Battistello lit a candle in memory of Barbara G. Sheehan



Betty Battistello - November 18, 2020 at 11:08 AM

AR

“ Andrea Ragin lit a candle in memory of Barbara G. Sheehan



Andrea Ragin - November 17, 2020 at 05:57 PM

AR

“ Barbara and I met 10 years ago at water aerobics class at Sun N Fun Water Park.

She has been my friend ever since. We are both from New England and I went to school on Boston so we had many walks down memory lane. I understood her wit and sense of humor ! We all shared the love of reading so we had a mini book club in the pool, There have been lots of good memories and some not so good with illness issues but through it all we supported each other. I certainly will miss Barbara's smile and her very genuine warmth. May she rest in heaven . My heartfelt sympathy goes out to all the Sheehan's .
Andrea Ragin

Andrea Ragin - November 17, 2020 at 05:50 PM

BF

“ Barbara' s friends from water aerobics at SunN Fun purchased the Basket Full of Wishes for the family of Barbara G. Sheehan.



Barbara' s friends from water aerobics at SunN Fun -
November 17, 2020 at 05:18 PM

NS

“ Nancy Sguera lit a candle in memory of Barbara G. Sheehan



nancy sguera - November 17, 2020 at 01:50 PM

BP

“ *Barbara’s feisty spirit, quick wit & twinkling eyes will live forever in my heart. She’s touched & has left lasting impressions on so many lives. Mine is certainly richer for having had her in it. Peace be with you, your beautiful family & your loving friends. 🕊*
Becky Palmer

Becky Palmer - November 16, 2020 at 09:05 PM

BP

“ *Becky Palmer lit a candle in memory of Barbara G. Sheehan*



Becky Palmer - November 16, 2020 at 08:52 PM

SS

“ *Sheila Soul Schilling purchased the Beautiful in Blue for the family of Barbara G. Sheehan.*



Sheila Soul Schilling - November 16, 2020 at 04:17 PM

SS

“ I met this Beautiful Lady when my husband and I bought a condo in the same building shared by Barbara and her Husband, Tom. Shortly we became inseparable, sharing morning coffees and daily chats. That was in 2005 and I can't believe the many memories we shared and the times we have been through, both good and sad memories. I will miss her more than I can say and I thank Barbara and her beloved family for the time i was lucky enough to share with her. May God Bless and keep her safe in his arms. Your forever friend, Sheila Schilling

Sheila Soul Schilling - November 16, 2020 at 03:49 PM