



## Clare Frances Kissinger

September 23, 1960 - September 16, 2023

Clare F. Kissinger 62, of Estero, FL died on Saturday, September 16, 2023, at her residence after a courageous fight with cancer. She was born on September 23, 1960, in Darby, PA a daughter of the late Francis J. and Regina M. (Shea) McLaughlin. Clare had been a resident of Estero for the past 24 years coming from Upper Darby, PA.

She was a homemaker and a part-time hairdresser in between raising her four children. Her final job was working as the lunch lady at Gateway Charter School. She enjoyed serving and getting to know the children. Clare loved the beaches of Southwest Florida and spending time with her family and friends. But most of all she loved her grandchildren. She was also a diehard fan of the Philadelphia Eagles.

She is survived by her loving husband, Michael J. Kissinger whom she married on April 16, 1983, at St. Laurence Catholic Church in Upper Darby, PA and her four children, Jacqueline M. Keiper (Michael) of Estero, FL, Sara C. Gabriel (Robert) of Fort Myers, FL, Michael F. Kissinger of Fort Myers, FL and Jacob T. Kissinger of Estero, FL and two grandsons, Evan Keiper and Noah Keiper and a soon to be granddaughter, Nora Gabriel that is expected on September 24, 2023. She also leaves behind her brother, Thomas McLaughlin of Havertown, PA, and her three sisters, Regina Sacharian (George) of Upper Darby, PA, Mary Delaney (William) of Havertown, PA, and

Patricia O'Mahoney of Havertown, PA, and many nieces and nephews whom she loved dearly.

She was preceded in death by her parents and one brother, Francis McLaughlin.

A Memorial Service to celebrate her life will be held on Saturday, September 30, 2023, at 6:00 PM with Fr. Hugh McGuigan, officiating. Her family will receive friends at the funeral home from 5:30 PM PM until the time of service.

In lieu of flowers, memorial donations in her name may be made to the Golisano Children's Hospital of Southwest Florida 9981 S. HealthPark Dr., Fort Myers, FL 33908, or online at <https://leehealthfoundation.org/donate-now/>

To sign her guest register or to leave online condolences please visit [www.ShikanyFuneralHome.com](http://www.ShikanyFuneralHome.com).

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

# Previous Events

## Receiving of Friends

SEP **30**. 5:30 PM - 6:00 PM (ET)

Shikany's Bonita Funeral Home  
28300 Tamiami Trail So.  
Bonita Springs, FL 34134  
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## Memorial Service

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# Tribute Wall



“ *Clare Frances Kissinger*

October 09, 2023 at 03:40 AM



“ *A [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) was planted in honor of Clare Frances Kissinger.*

September 30, 2023 at 08:53 AM



“ *A daughter of God, a mother to many, and a friend to all. To know her is to love her. Hilarious, encouraging, and steadfast— Clare had a beautiful soul that brought abundant joy into the lives of anyone lucky enough to know her. She will be dearly missed.*

R - September 29, 2023 at 09:26 PM



“ *Beautiful Heart Bouquet was purchased for the family of Clare Frances Kissinger.*



September 26, 2023 at 01:19 PM



“ *Your Light Shines was purchased for the family of Clare Frances Kissinger.*



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September 26, 2023 at 09:16 AM



“ *Clare lit up a room as soon as she walked in. Her smile was ever present and she had such a wonderful laugh. She was so kind to everyone and will be dearly missed. Fly with the Eagles dear friend. Loretta and Jack Horan*

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**Loretta Horan** - September 25, 2023 at 02:32 PM



“ *Dear Mike and family.*

*Clare was one of the nicest people I've met. She always made you feel like you mattered. She sincerely cared about you. And she was infectious. How could you not be happy around Clare? I will always remember her laugh. I hope and pray her memories bring light to your days. Remember the things she's taught you. Believe me, she will always be with you.*

*Love,  
Michelle and Ray Massi*

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**MICHELLE MASSI** - September 25, 2023 at 10:56 AM

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“ Clare had a way of making everyone laugh. I know her memory of these time will live on in the hearts of everyone she touch and we know that was many many hearts .. Till I see you in heaven keep them laughing up there . 💕💕💕

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**JeanMarie Buchy** - September 25, 2023 at 08:57 AM



“ Peaceful White Lilies Basket was purchased for the family of Clare Frances Kissinger.



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September 24, 2023 at 12:18 PM



“ Rose Romanesque Bouquet was purchased for the family of Clare Frances Kissinger.



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September 24, 2023 at 12:11 PM



“ Your Light Shines was purchased for the family of Clare Frances Kissinger.



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September 24, 2023 at 11:53 AM



“ *Peaceful White Lilies Basket was purchased for the family of Clare Frances Kissinger.*



September 23, 2023 at 08:42 AM



“ *Love Mom Kissinger & Family purchased the Joyful Memory for the family of Clare Frances Kissinger.*



**Love Mom Kissinger & Family** - September 21, 2023 at 07:31 PM



“ *I am so sorry for your loss. Clare was larger than life and a wonderful special human being. Such a great mother , wife, grandmother and friend to all who met her. Cindy Fallon*

**Cindy Fallon** - September 21, 2023 at 06:10 PM



“ *Beautiful in Blue was purchased for the family of Clare Frances Kissinger.*



September 20, 2023 at 07:02 PM



“ I’m so very sorry for your loss. Although we moved out of state years ago to Texas, I remember her poker face sense of humor. One day a neighbor had put her patio set to the curb for trash. Well Clare being the trooper she was, helped me to walk it to my place. We kept dragging that table, leaving sparks in the street and laughed the whole way. Then the time Mike bought her a 10 speed for Christmas. As I’m walking my dog, she pedaled up and wanted to chat. She says, hold on, I gotta get this skinny seat out of my butt!! Oh, and we dubbed her Crash, because more than once, she ran over her trash bins while pulling in the driveway. May you all find comfort in each other. Sincerely Tony and Maria Zurita.

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**Maria Simoneau-Zurita** - September 20, 2023 at 10:50 AM



“ I want to send all my happy thoughts and prayers to “Lit” and the family , I was a next door neighbor of Claire for 29 years on Pennock avenue, Mary was right, Lit, YOU were the love of her life, Until the beautiful children came along, and of course the grandchildren, I will never forget her kind smile, infectious laugh, and funny stories, I remember her glass always being full. There are no words but just a lump now in my throat for you guys. I will continue praying for all of you, but very blessed knowing Claire.  
Love,  
Margie



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**margie** - September 19, 2023 at 10:54 PM



“ A [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) was planted in honor of Clare Frances Kissinger.

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September 19, 2023 at 02:15 PM



“ *Meat & Cheese Wooden Gift Crate was purchased for the family of Clare Frances Kissinger.*



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September 19, 2023 at 02:15 PM



“ *There only thing that can be said about Clare is that she was a beautiful person who loved everyone and was a generous spirit, full of life. She was the light in every room and the most warm, engaging person I have ever known. She was like a sister to me and I will never forget her kindness in my hour of need. May God bless the Kissinger family and give them the strength to deal with such a significant loss. We will all be feeling this loss forever! LOVE!!!*

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**Loretta Stevens** - September 19, 2023 at 02:12 PM