



Mrs. Connie Rae Barnes

September 9, 1952 - March 24, 2019

Barnes, Connie

66, Eden Prairie, MN passed away Sunday, March 24, 2019 at Fairview Southdale Hospital in Edina, MN after a long courageous battle with cancer. Connie Rae Sorenson was born September 9, 1952 in Norman County, MN to Oscar and Ilene (Deinhart) Sorenson. She attended school in Borup, MN and received her teaching degree at Moorhead State University. On June 2, 1973 Connie married her husband of 45 years, Butch Barnes in Borup, MN. In the fall of 1973 they moved to Granite Falls, MN where she taught Special Education at Bert Raney Elementary until they moved to Marshall, MN in 1977 where she taught at Holy Redeemer and then took a position with the Reading Recovery program in the Marshall Public Schools.

In October 1977 they were blessed with a daughter, Brandie Joy and a son, Austin Joseph was born in May 1981. In the summer of 2004 Butch and Connie moved to Parker, CO for four years before permanently returning to Minnesota and settling in Eden Prairie. Connie was an active member of Transfiguration Lutheran Church in Bloomington, MN thoroughly enjoying her time with the knitting circle.

Connie had the gift of making everyone feel special. She was a great friend to many, of all generations. Connie's love of people ranged everywhere from

reading books with children to visiting elderly friends in nursing homes. She especially loved being in attendance at all the events her great nieces and nephews were involved in. Her love for family and friends was always evident in her cooking and special meals prepared on request for each particular person on their special occasion.

Survivors include her two children, Brandie Barnes and Austin Barnes, both of the Twin Cities and her husband, Butch Barnes of Eden Prairie. She is also survived by her two brothers, Jerry Sorenson of Cedar Point MN and Steven (Marsha) Sorenson of Ottertail MN; brother-in-law, Larry Kappes of Lake Nebagamon, WI; nephews and nieces, Nikki Sorenson Omaha NE, Jerod (Angie) Kappes, South Range, WI, Jason (Lisa Anderson) Sorenson, Blaine MN, Tara (John) Burmood, New Richmond WI, Corey (Trish) Sorenson, West Fargo, ND; 11 great nieces and nephews; and one great great nephew. Preceding her in death were her parents, Oscar and Ilene Sorenson; and sister, Jan Kappes.

A special thank you to MN Oncology for the years of wonderful care they provided, and especially to Drs. Catherine Casey and Kelli Daly. In lieu of flowers, memorials preferred to the MN Ovarian Cancer Association or Oasis for Youth, Bloomington, MN.

Memorial Service 11AM Monday, April 1st at Transfiguration Lutheran Church, 11000 France Ave S, Bloomington 55431 with visitation one hour prior to the service.

Previous Events

Visitation

APR 1. 10:00 AM - 11:00 AM (CT)

Transfiguration Lutheran Church
11000 France Avenue South
Bloomington, MN 55431

Memorial Service

APR 1. 11:00 AM - 12:00 PM (CT)

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Tribute Wall



“ Peaceful White Lilies Basket was purchased for the family of Mrs. Connie Rae Barnes.



March 30, 2019 at 10:48 AM



“ Allen, Jim, Robert, Donna McGillvrey & families purchased the Simply Chic Mixed Plant Basket for the family of Mrs. Connie Rae Barnes.



Allen, Jim, Robert, Donna McGillvrey & families - March 29, 2019 at 06:44 PM



“ Love, Shannon and Marcia purchased the Simply Happy Kalanchoe Plant for the family of Mrs. Connie Rae Barnes.



Love, Shannon and Marcia - March 29, 2019 at 04:36 PM



“ My dear sweet friend, you will be missed SO much! Your energy filled a room, your deep, deep caring for all you met, your unwavering support, and your positive approach to life were all so amazing! My heart will always hold you close. Love you!! Marcia

Marcia Clark - March 29, 2019 at 03:57 PM

MO

“ Mike, Heather & Derek Orth purchased the Emerald Garden Basket for the family of Mrs. Connie Rae Barnes.



Mike, Heather & Derek Orth - March 29, 2019 at 03:14 PM



“ Full Of Love Bouquet was purchased for the family of Mrs. Connie Rae Barnes.



March 29, 2019 at 01:53 PM

BS

“ What a wonderful, sweet, and caring person Connie was. She was a joy to know and to teach with. She always called me "Bob-A-Louie"! Rest in peace dear friend!

Bob Steen - March 27, 2019 at 03:09 PM

JO

“ Jody purchased the Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum for the family of Mrs. Connie Rae Barnes.



Jody - March 27, 2019 at 01:15 PM



“ *Dreams From the Heart Bouquet was purchased for the family of Mrs. Connie Rae Barnes.* ”



March 27, 2019 at 10:50 AM



“ *Peaceful White Lilies Basket was purchased for the family of Mrs. Connie Rae Barnes.* ”



March 27, 2019 at 10:06 AM



“ *Dan & Deb Herrmann entire family and Rhonda & Em purchased the Serene Retreat for the family of Mrs. Connie Rae Barnes.* ”



Dan & Deb Herrmann entire family and Rhonda & Em - March 26, 2019 at 07:24 PM



“ *Peaceful White Lilies Basket was purchased for the family of Mrs. Connie Rae Barnes.* ”



March 26, 2019 at 07:16 PM



“ *Dreams From the Heart Bouquet was purchased for the family of Mrs. Connie Rae Barnes.*



March 26, 2019 at 06:04 PM



“ *Hi Connie's family, I Love your mom & all of you. She was such a great wife, and mom.
May you all be taken care of by our God so that you can continue with all your good memories. She was the Best, and Loved you all SO much!
Love, Carla Jo Sletten*

Carla Jo Sletten - March 26, 2019 at 05:30 PM



“ *Enchanted Cottage was purchased for the family of Mrs. Connie Rae Barnes.*



March 26, 2019 at 05:22 PM



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March 26, 2019 at 05:07 PM