



Trudy Batzel

January 27, 2019

Trudy W. Batzel, 75, of Rigden Farms, Fort Collins, Colorado, passed away Jan. 27, 2019.

She will be dearly missed.

She is survived by her children, Gwen Gorzelsky and her spouse Den, Karen Batzel, Pamela Batzel and Brad Batzel; her brother Dennis Widdersheim and his wife, Joanne; her sisters-in-law Arleen Batzel and Carol Widdersheim; nephews and nieces Mark Widdersheim, Kerry Widdersheim, Andrew Widdersheim and Michael Widdersheim, Bill Batzel and Tom Batzel; René Sturtz, and Gary Greer; and her beloved cat Sarah. She was preceded in death by her husband James (“Jim”), her brother Charles “Chuck” Widdersheim, her parents, Charles Edward and Mary Rose Widdersheim, and her beloved dog Bandit.

Trudy was born in Johnstown, PA. She graduated from Bishop McCort Catholic High School in 1961 before taking business courses at a local business school. She worked in a bank until shortly after she married Jim in 1966. She then pursued her dream of being a wife and mother full-time until her kids were mostly grown, when she began to work again. She made her children’s education a priority. She moved back into the world of paid work first with babysitting before working at a pizza shop and then as an aide at The Lutheran Home in Westmont. She moved to Dearborn, Michigan to be near her daughter Gwen in December 2007. While there she started her own Mary Kay business. In 2014, she moved to Fort Collins, Colorado, again to be near her daughter Gwen. There she made many friends at Rigden Farms and her parish, St. Elizabeth Ann Seton. Her friends remember fondly her sunny beautiful smile, floppy hats, and her shy, warm demeanor.

Trudy was deeply spiritual and insightful about people and life. She was broadly and meaningfully forgiving and compassionate. Throughout her life she was committed to personal and spiritual growth. She meaningfully influenced many people. She actively shared her personal experiences and insights for others’ benefits, just as she eagerly sought out others’ experiences to cultivate her own growth.

She had incomparable fortitude, hopefulness and heart.

She loved animals and animals loved her.

Rosary at 9:45 am, Monday March 11, followed by Memorial Mass at 10:30 am, at St. Elizabeth Ann Seton Parish, Fort Collins. A lunch will be held at the parish immediately after the Mass. A second funeral service will be held at Our Mother of Sorrows Parish in Johnstown, PA at 10 am on Saturday, June 15th, 2019.

Comments



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Goes Funeral Care & Crematory - March 15 at 09:41 PM



“ I only knew Mrs. Batzel indirectly, through her daughters Pamela and Gwen, such strong, good, loving people. Rare gifts. She must have been just as wonderful, deep, and kind, and so proud of them. My heart goes out to you and your family with this great loss.

Paul Kameen - February 12 at 11:01 AM



“ I went to Rome with Trudy and we had a wonderful spiritual journey throughout the Vatican and Assisi. She was everything her obituary said and so much more. May she rest in the love of Our Lord. My prayers, fondly go out to all her family.

Betty Pauley

Betty Pauley - February 10 at 05:30 PM



“ Thank you so much for your message, Betty!!

Pamela Batzel - February 12 at 10:12 AM



“ Mrs. Batzel always made me feel welcome in her home when I was growing up. She was a kind, warm light in the world and had a sweet laugh that I can still hear when I think of her. Condolences to my good friend, Pamela, and all of the family.

Tammy Burns - February 07 at 05:32 PM



“ Thank you for your lovely words about Mom, Tammy!

Pamela Batzel - February 08 at 12:54 PM



“ Thank you so much, Tammy; hope you and your family are well!

Gwen Gorzelsky - February 09 at 12:56 PM



“ My condolences to my dearest Pamela, her sister Gwen, and all of Trudy's family. What a beautiful smile and a beautiful soul shining through these eyes <3 Repose en paix chère Trudy

Armelle CASSANAS - February 07 at 03:47 PM



“ Thank you so much for your lovely-seeing eyes, Armelle

Pamela Batzel - February 08 at 12:55 PM



“ Armelle, thank you!!

Gwen Gorzelsky - February 09 at 12:56 PM



“ Armelle CASSANAS lit a candle in memory of Trudy Batzel



Armelle CASSANAS - February 07 at 03:43 PM