



## Bernadine Johnson

September 22, 1943 - November 12, 2010

Bernadine Colleen Johnson passed peacefully on November 12, 2010, surrounded by family. She was born September 22, 1943 in Ft. Collins to Bernard and Dorothy Wombacher. Bernadine attended St. Joseph's Catholic school and graduated from FCHS in 1961. It was in high school that she met a handsome boy who would be the love of her life and her husband of nearly 47 years, Kent Johnson. As a teenager, Bernadine volunteered at the hospital as a Candy Striper. She later worked at Mountain Bell and at fabric and thrift stores. After marrying Kent she had a daycare, made crafts and sold them at craft shows, owned a custom sewing business, and served on many boards and committees at St. Luke's Episcopal Church. This was all while working hard as a homemaker, wife, and mother to three children. She especially enjoyed crafts, sewing, and scrapbooking, and found great joy in sharing these activities with all the children in her life. Bernadine lived with Parkinson's disease for 25 years. She served as secretary for the local Parkinson's support group, and received recognition for her efforts to help others suffering from the disease. She had heart surgery in 2001, after which she suffered a stroke that left her partially paralyzed. These challenges didn't stop her, though, as she courageously fought to move forward. She never gave up. She had a contagious smile and was a wonderful source of strength and inspiration to family, friends, and caregivers. Bernadine spent the last five years of her life as a resident at Columbine East and then at Lemay Avenue Health & Rehab. While there, she served as patient advocate, in resident

counsel, and started a Parkinson's support group. The family would like to thank all the staff and caregivers at these facilities. They provided loving care to Bernadine and we are very grateful for the care and support she received. Bernadine loved the Lord and was extremely dedicated to her family. She is survived by her husband Kent; her sons Tad (Jona), Dan (Stephanie), and Ric (Shannon); her mother Dorothy, sisters Kathy, Elaine, and Joyce, brother Bernard; grandchildren Alexa, Shelby, Isaac, Skylar, and Jackson; and many nieces, nephews, and extended family. Bernadine's interment will be at 10:00 a.m. in the courtyard, followed by a celebration of her life, at St. Luke's Episcopal Church, 2000 Stover Street, Fort Collins at 11:00 a.m., on Monday, November 22, 2010. In lieu of flowers, donations can be made to the Bernadine Johnson Memorial Fund in care of Goes Funeral Care.

# Tribute Wall



“ *Bernadine Johnson*

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“ *She will be missed.*

**Debbie Phillips** - November 12, 2010 at 12:00 AM



“ *You are so beautiful, Mom. Thank you for all your gifts. I am so happy that you are free. I really miss you, especially today.*  
*Love,*  
*Tad*

**Tad Johnson** - November 12, 2010 at 12:00 AM



“ *Bernadine will be greatly missed. Her positive attitude and faith inspired me to never give up. She always had a smile, a kind word and the willingness to help others no matter how she felt. I've seen her share her faith while waiting for a ride to a doctor's appointment and when she was in great pain. She never complained.*

*This gracious lady had the world's biggest heart and always thought of others before herself.*

*I will miss her smile, her caring and her love. Peace Gracious Lady.*

**Saralouise Anderson** - November 12, 2010 at 12:00 AM

JD

“ My aunt Bernadine was a couragious, giving strong willed lady, She always helped a gave to everyone,She never complained about anything. Aunt Bernadine was an inspiration to alot of people throughout her life. We will miss her dearly. I know she new God and so I'm sure she is in heaven playing catch with her dad, grandpa Ben and doing many other things that she has been restricted from doing in the past few years. She was always an angel and now she hasher wings. When ever you see the sunrise, and the thunder rore you you will know she is watching over you. God bless you aunt Bernadine and save a spot for me. we will be together again in Gods timing. Love Jimmy

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**Jim Daniels** - November 12, 2010 at 12:00 AM

KH

“ My heartfelt condolences to the Johnson Family. My thoughts are with you. Karla

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**Karla Huttenmeyer-Rush** - November 12, 2010 at 12:00 AM

KL

“ Bernadine was such a sweethart and a great mom. My whole family would like to extend our deepest sympathy for your loss. God bless her and you all!

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**Kirk Lombardi** - November 12, 2010 at 12:00 AM

CM

“ i am so sorry about Bernie. she was a very good friend for 45 years and we will all miss her. i am leaving for s.c. this fri. and will be unable to attend the funeral but wanted the family to know that i am thinking of them.

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**Carol Ann Mehaffy** - November 12, 2010 at 12:00 AM

EB

“ Kent,  
So sorry to read about Bernadine. I hope you were able to get out of "that" nursing home and into a nicer place.  
I remember when Jim passed away, it was the hardest thing I ever went through. Take care of yourself and call if you just need to talk.  
I'm thinking of you and your family.

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**Earlene Bell** - November 12, 2010 at 12:00 AM

RA

“ What a courageous lady Bernadine was. I'm sure she has been welcome into eternity by those have gone before her. May she rest in peace.

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**Rosalie Ashbaugh** - November 12, 2010 at 12:00 AM

JP

“ Bernadine was such a warm, friendly person. I always enjoyed her company and she was a very special friend in high school. My condolences go to her friends and family. I especially want to thank Lois Carpenter Anderson for giving her so much care and love.

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**Judy Head Peppard** - November 12, 2010 at 12:00 AM

PR

“ Dear Kent and family,  
Please know that Bob and I are very sad for you all having to say goodbye to Bernadine. As you know she babysat our son, Patrick, when I first went to work out at Union with you and she did an excellent job of caring for him, even potty trained him with Ricky's help. We remember how close and loving you and Bernadine always were and know this must be a very difficult time. Please accept our condolences and know we care very much for you.  
Love,  
Pam and Bob Russell

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**Pam Russell** - November 12, 2010 at 12:00 AM

UL

“ To Bernadine and the Johnson's Family,  
  
*Life is never a straight road, it bubbles up, it bends, and it curves, until it becomes very still...*  
  
*Bernadine, I am glad to have met you on your road, if only for a few, brief moments in the later part of your life.*  
*Farewell.*

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**Ursula Lord** - November 12, 2010 at 12:00 AM

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“ HEAVEN WILL NEVER BE THE SAME, AND IF YOU LISTEN VERY CAREFULLY YOU CAN HEAR THEIR LAUGHTER AND FEEL THE LOVE SHE IS SHARING.

WORDS DO NOT EXPRESS THE EMPTINESS SHE LEAVES BEHIND, BUT SHE DOES LEAVE GREAT TIMES AND SMILES FOR ALL TO REMEMBER.

MY GREATEST SYMPATHY FOR MY DEAR FRIEND, KATHY AND ELAINES FAMILY, IN THE LOSS OF THEIR LOVED ONE.

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**Sherene O'Quinn** - November 12, 2010 at 12:00 AM

JW

“ I had the privilege of being Bernadine's physical therapist following her stroke in 2001. I will always remember her kind heart, positive attitude, and great determination. It was an honor to know her. My condolences to her family.

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**Janna Reinhart Walker** - November 12, 2010 at 12:00 AM

PM

“ *Those who wish to sing will always find a song,  
in every storm they will find a rainbow,  
and in every trial they will find a blessing.*”

*When I read these words I think of my friend Bernadine. She has been such an inspiration to me through the years. She was faced not only with the challenges of parkinson's disease but also with many other health problems which eventually led to daily life in a wheel chair. She remained in good spirits and often lifted my spirits! Her faith was strong and very apparent. Each morning when she woke she would ask God..."what can I do for you today?" I have been truly blessed to have dear Bernadine as my friend.*

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**Patsy Manning** - November 12, 2010 at 12:00 AM

JP

“ *Dear Kent, I was so sorry to hear of Bernadine passing. Even though its been more than 20yrs since I have seen you guys, I always think of you fondly ..remembering the fun times we had. I remember Bernadine's talent for sewing..and her sweet nature, quick smile. I will hold you in thought and prayer and wish you peace and comfort in the coming days.*  
*Sincerely, Jonnye*

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**Jonnye Parascand** - November 12, 2010 at 12:00 AM

SH

“ *The Johnson family is in my thoughts and prayers. I have so many wonderful memories of Bernadine.*

*With God's blessings & love,  
Sue*

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**Sue Houseal-Morgan** - November 12, 2010 at 12:00 AM

PB

“ *to kent, tad, dan, ric, our prayers are with you all in your time of mourning.we praise god knowing your wife/mom is in no more pain!grace and healing to all in your family, phil, connie, and everyone at el burrito*

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**phil campbell and connie godinez and everyone at EL BURRITO** - November 12, 2010 at 12:00 AM

SW

“ *I have such fond memories of neighborhood get-togethers with the women of the block. Bernadine was always so happy and so proud of her boys. Tad, you did an amazing job during your mother's service. Ric and Dan, you have been such a help to your parents. I remember all 3 of you growing up on Rockwood - skateboard ramp and all! Dan, you were one of my favorite 6th grade students. Our 4 kids looked up to you guys. Kent, we miss you in the neighborhood - come by and see us. Love to you all from Kate, Kellan, Nykki, Jake, Ben and Ellen*

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**Skip & Linda Walker** - November 12, 2010 at 12:00 AM

DT

“ *Kent and sons,  
Gloria and I are sorry to hear of the passing of Bernadine. Our prayers and thoughts are with your family.*

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**Doug & Gloria Telgenhoff** - November 12, 2010 at 12:00 AM

BD

“ I will always remember Bernadine, she was such a nice lady who was always good to all the kids who came to her house. A first class human being who I'll never forget. Mycondolances go out to her entire family especial Kent, Tad, Danny, and Ric.

*Brandon*

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**Brandon and Mary Desilet** - November 12, 2010 at 12:00 AM