



Norma Simmons

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Norma J. Simmons, 72, of Clinton died Monday, April 12, 2010 at Mercy Medical Center in Clinton. Funeral services will be 1:00pm Wednesday, April 14, 2010 at the Clinton Chapel Snell-Zornig Funeral Homes and Crematory. Visitation will be Wednesday from 11:30am until the service hour at the funeral home. Cremation will follow the funeral services. Norma Jean Smith was born on May 8, 1937 in Galesburg, IL, the daughter of Edwin Lee and Helen Marie (Poland) Smith. She was a 1955 Galesburg High School graduate. Norma was a caregiver all her life both professionally as a mental health technician, and personally, caring for her parents for several years and the many children in her life, including those whom she fostered. She loved to play chess and backgammon. She was an artist, and enjoyed making things crafting, knitting, and crocheting. She is survived by her children: Melinda (David) James, Lucynda Rodriguez, and Angela Simmons, all of Clinton, Timothy (Carla) Simmons of Woodhull, IL, Sherrie McGlown, Rebecca Simmons, and Rose (Jerry) Cato, all of Galesburg, IL; 25 grandchildren, 42 great grandchildren; 3 sisters: Patricia Henshilwood of Galesburg, IL, Sharon K. Shonkwiler of Florida, and Judy Reed of Rockford, IL; her loving pet companion Molly, and many nieces, nephews, and cousins. She was preceded in death by her parents, one son James, one granddaughter Joy, 1 great granddaughter Desiré, and one brother Eddie Lee. Memorials may be made to the family.



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PL

Pat Mealman Lashbrook posted:

SO SORRY I LOST TOUCH WITH ALL OF YOU. NORMA JEAN WAS SUCH A GOOD FRIEND FOR MANY YEARS. HIGH SCHOOL AND ON. I FREQ. REMEMBER OUR SUMMER VACATIONS AT YOUR HOUSE WHEN YOU OLDER KIDS WERE LITTLE. REMEMBER WE PAINTED YOUR NAMES ON YOUR BACKS WITH IODINE? LOL I HOPE HER LIFE WAS FULL OF JOY AND HAPPINESS AND ALL OF YOU ARE AT PIECE. I KNOW SHE WILL BE MISSED. I'D LOVE TO HEAR FROM SOME OF YOU. MY PRAYERS ARE WITH YOU. LOVE PATTY LOU

April 11 at 7:00 PM

RH

Russell L Hunt Sr posted:

May you rest in peace Norma Jean.

April 11 at 7:00 PM

SS

Sharon Kay (Sherri) Shonkwiler posted:

My comfort is knowing NormaJean is in a better place and not suffering even though I feel sadness in the lose of my sister. My thoughts and prayers are for the family at this time. As I think of your passing I think of all the love that will be waiting for you on the other side, Grandparents, Dad, Mom, our brother Eddie, Jimmy, Joy, and all that past before you. Until we meet again, your sister SharonKay (Sherri)

April 11 at 7:00 PM

CS

Chrystal Simmons posted:

Grandma..I am having a hard time finding the words to describe how i'm feeling. I still can't believe that you not here anymore. I know that you are up in Heaven making those funny faces at the angels without your teeth and that Joy is caring for you again. I miss you so much and I am very blessed to have the coolest grandma ever. I love you Granny.

April 11 at 7:00 PM

BM

Brenda Duckworth-Mason posted:

Our sincere sympathy is extended to you and your family at this hour of sadness.

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ME

Melinda posted:

Mom, I cannot believe that you are gone, but I know that you are no longer suffering. There are no words to describe that pain that I am feeling now, but I know that you are still with me, encouraging me to go forward with your wishes. I love you Mom.

April 11 at 7:00 PM

WP

Wayne And Kathy Poland posted:

We wish to express our sincere sympathy in Norma Jean's passing. She was a wonderful, caring, loving person, and will be greatly missed. May you find comfort in the many memories you have, and know that she is resting in the loving arms of Jesus. Our thoughts and prayers are with you during this time.

April 11 at 7:00 PM



Memories only last if you share them

Join us in honoring Norma by contributing to a collection of shared memories.



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