



Sara B. Schmidt

March 12, 1932 - May 5, 2017

Sara B. Schmidt passed away peacefully in her home on May, 5 2017 at the age of 85.

Sara DiPrima was born March 12, 1932 in Chicago to Charles and Antoinette DiPrima. Sara was born the youngest of four. Sara graduated from Foreman High School in 1950. Just after high school, Sara met her future husband, Bernie Schmidt, at Victor Adding Machine. Shortly thereafter, on Valentine's Day 1952, they got engaged. Bernie was drafted into the Army to serve in Korea during the Korean War. While he was on furlough, Sara and Bernie wed on October 4, 1952 at St. Bartholomew in Chicago. Sara and Bernie have three children, Bernie, Teresa, and Mary. They purchased their house on Oriole in September of 1960, and still reside there to this day.

Sara spent many years working at Mother Guerin High School and Main West High School. Sara loved to spend time outdoors, and many of those summers were spent at The Cottage in Antioch. She would plant flowers in the garden and float in her chair in the lake. Sara loved animals and always had at least one dog as her companion. Quite often, she spent many visits to The Cottage with her grandchildren, who she cherished, spoiled, and would treat. Sara also loved to cook. Whenever there was someone over, there was always plenty of scrumptious food to be had. She loved to bake, and enjoyed watching people enjoy her desserts. Sara was a devoted Catholic and served at St. Francis

Borgia with several tasks over the years. She served on the Catholic Women's Club and earned Woman of the Year in 2007.

Sara was a very proud and strong Italian woman. She is survived by her husband Bernie, her children Bernie (wife Donna), Teresa (husband Bill), and Mary (husband Jeff). She is also survived by her four grandchildren; Matthew (wife Veronica), Joseph (wife Kim), Jeffrey, and Nicole. Additionally, she is survived by her great-granddaughter Isabella. She is also survived by numerous cousins, nieces, nephews and countless friends from all walks of life. Sara was preceded in death by her sister Mary and her brothers Charlie and John.

"When you die, it does not mean that you lose to cancer. You beat cancer by how you live, why you live, and in the manner in which you live." -Stuart Scott

Funeral services:

Sara will lie in state 9:30 AM, Tuesday, May 9, 2017 at St Francis Borgia Church, 8033 W Addison St. with a funeral mass to begin at 11:30 AM.

Entombment will be at St Joseph Cemetery in River Grove IL.

In lieu of flowers, the family asks that you consider a donation to the Deaf Ministry at St. Francis Borgia, through Father Joe Mulcrone.

Tribute Wall

BM

“ *My mother and I worked with Miss Sara at the rummage sale for ever! She greeted everyone with her big smile and friendly welcome. She will be missed.*

Betty Ann Moser - June 13, 2018 at 08:50 AM

MR

“ *Sara and I were Girl Scout Leaders together for many years at St. Francis Borgia. She was wonderful to work with in scouting and all our other undertakings together. May she rest in the arms of Jesus.*

Mary Ann Rosso - June 13, 2018 at 08:50 AM

MM

“ *Those we love don't walk away, They walk beside us every day, Unseen, unheard, but always heard, Still loved, still missed and very dear. May God bless you and keep you in His tender loving care.*

Mary McGeean - June 13, 2018 at 08:50 AM

FM

“ *Sara & I met when we were Girl Scout Leaders, she at SFB & me at Canty School. We became dear friends & traveled together often over the years. I will miss you, Dear Sara.*

Florence Milnik - June 13, 2018 at 08:50 AM

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“ *May God walk beside you and hold your hand through this most difficult time. I didn't know your mom but if she is anything like you then she is wonderful. Bunch of huge hugs and love sent your way and to rest of the family.*

Lenore Keen (Pepe) - June 13, 2018 at 08:50 AM

MN

“ *Rest in peace, Mrs. Schmidt. Thanks for your life lessons.*

Mary Newberg - June 13, 2018 at 08:50 AM

FL

“ *I first met Sara at Mother Theodore Guerin High School where she worked in the cafeteria and never forgot her brilliant smile and kindness. I saw Sara again after 35+ years at St Francis Borgia where she spent years faithfully serving as the sacristan. She was a wonderful loving woman who overcame many adversities in her life living with a disability that most didn't understand. She kept herself busy taking care of her family and in the service of others less fortunate than her. She was an exemplary Christian and friend and I will miss her dearly! May she rest in peace in the arms of God! Her suffering has ended and she's a beautiful Angel smiling brilliantly and watching over us from up above. Love you Sara!*

Francesca De Luca - June 13, 2018 at 08:50 AM