



Bonnie S. Bartz

February 28, 1959 - August 8, 2010

Bonnie S. Bartz, age 51, of Crown Point, IN, passed away on Sunday, Aug. 8, 2010. Bonnie received her masters with academic honors in Healthcare Administration in April 2010 at the University of Saint Francis. She worked 33 years at St. James Hospital as the Director of Medical Equipment and Ambulance Department.

Bonnie is survived by her husband of 33 years, Cliff Bartz; daughters- Leanna Bartz, Heather Bartz, Brittaney Bartz and Mikayla Bartz; grandson, Robbie Randhan; mother, Jean Gillispie; father, Charles (Dina) Wisniewski; sisters, Tracey (Richard) Deleo and Shanna (Rick) Mitchell; brother, John Wisniewski; five nieces and five nephews.

Friends may visit with the family on Wednesday from 2:00pm to 8:00pm at Burns Funeral Home, 10101 Broadway, Crown Point, IN. Funeral service will be Thursday, Aug. 12, 2010 at 9:15am from Burns Funeral Home to St. Mary's Catholic Church, 405 East Joliet St., Crown Point, IN for a Mass of Christian Burial at 10:00am. Rev. Joseph Murphy, officiating. Services will conclude at the church.

Tribute Wall



“ Dear Cliff, Leanna, Heather, Brittaney and Mikayla,

I was one of your mom's classmates at University of Saint Francis. We spent about 7 semesters together... attending classes in the wee hours of Saturday mornings, working on projects together and basically doing whatever it took to "survive" the master's program.

I wanted you to know how much I enjoyed getting to know her. She was fun... always optimistic... someone who always pulled her share of the weight... and she was my friend.

Something that really struck me was how she never played on sympathies during her illness. She worked hard at work and she worked even harder at school. Further, she never asked for special accommodations during her final two semesters, even though she had to sometimes miss a class for therapy. Completing the Master of Science in Healthcare Administration was very important to her. It was a long-time goal that gave her purpose and focus. I'll always remember the fun we had celebrating our graduation together this past May. She was so proud of her accomplishment!

She always referred to me as a "nervous Nellie" because I would always sweat over projects and deadlines. She, on the other hand, always seemed so laid back... letting it all just roll off of her back. I often secretly wished that I could be more like her in that regard.

I guess I'll also always remember that she was such an optimist... always looking for the "best" in a situation.

I will remember Bonnie as a beautiful woman... both inside and out. She was a kind and generous friend. When I received my cancer diagnosis last September, she was forever asking me how I was doing... how I felt... what the doctor had to say... My cancer was localized, and so when they removed the kidney, they removed the cancer. I am so sorry that she was not as fortunate. I do not claim to know why some are taken from us and why some of us are left to

live another day. However, I do know that Bonnie lived her life to its fullest.. loving those around her... grateful for the day.

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