



Shirley J. Bastilla

August 18, 1928 - June 27, 2021

Shirley J. Bastilla, age 92 of Highland, IL, died Sunday, June 27, 2021, at San Gabriel Memory Care in Highland, IL.

She was born on, August 18, 1928, in Highland, IL, the daughter of Waldo and Della (nee Beinecke) Hug.

On June 07, 1947, she married Robert F. Bastilla at Elmira, New York. He passed away on June 29, 1996.

She was a member of Girl Scouts (in High School) Highland Women's Club (Honorary Member); Estes Park Women's Club (Past President - twice); Library Foundation for Estes Park Library;.

Shirley was born in Highland, IL. and grew up on Zschokke Street. She was a graduate of Highland High School 1946, then attended Elmira Women's College in Elmira, New York. Following her marriage she returned to Highland and was a "stay at home mom", caring for her family. After her children were grown, she attended S.I.U. in Alton earning a degree in French and English. She started teaching at Highland High School in the mid 60's, teaching for over 20 years. She and her husband moved to Estes Park, CO in 1990 and she returned to Highland in 2006 after his death. She enjoyed reading fiction novels by her favorite authors Linda Lyla Miller and Nora Roberts. Her other

activities were computer games, Ellen DeGeneres Show, Jeopardy, and playing the stock market. Shirley had been very active in the Estes Park Women's Club, founding the Estes Park Women's Club Scholarship Fund. She was also active with Highland Women's Club, serving on the Scholarship Committee.

Survivors include :

Daughter - Nancy A. McCaw, Highland, IL

Grandchild - Dean M. Bastilla, Granite City, IL

Grandchild - Robert O. (Significate Other - Amanda O'Connor) McCaw, Fairview, IL

Great Grandchild - Blake A. McCaw, Highland, IL

Great Grandchild - Kyle Bastilla, Belleville, IL

Great Grandchild - Bailey Bastilla, O'Fallon, IL

Great Grandchild - Loryn Bastilla, O'Fallon, IL

Great Great Grandchild - Silas .

Great Great Grandchild - Millie .

Great Great Grandchild - Gracey .

She was preceded in death by :

Father - Waldo Edward Hug - Died 4/14/1993

Mother - Della Ruth Hug, nee Beinecke - Died 7/05/2011

Husband - Robert F. Bastilla - Died 6/29/1996

Son - Robert M. Bastilla - Died 5/14/2013

Son In-Law - William O. McCaw - Died 8/15/2009

Arrangements are being handled by Spengel-Boulanger Funeral Home in Highland, IL.

Visitation will be held from 4:00 PM to 6:00 PM on Wednesday, June 30, 2021, at Spengel-Boulanger Funeral Home in Highland, IL .

Memorial Service will be at 6:00 PM on Wednesday, June 30, 2021, at Spengel-Boulanger Funeral Home in Highland, IL.

The family request in lieu of flowers, please make memorials to H.A.S.C.M. (Food Pantry) ; Meals on Wheel's ; Highland Lions Club or Highland Optimist Club.

Tribute Wall

KP

“ Karen Potthast lit a candle in memory of Shirley J. Bastilla



Karen Potthast - July 01, 2021 at 12:10 AM

MB

“ Shirley was a beautiful person inside and outside good friend she will be missed



Mary Beth Broughton - June 30, 2021 at 10:17 AM

MB

“ Mary Beth Broughton lit a candle in memory of Shirley J. Bastilla



Mary Beth Broughton - June 30, 2021 at 10:15 AM



“ Beautiful in Blue was purchased for the family of Shirley J. Bastilla.



June 29, 2021 at 09:14 AM

SF

“ Shirley was a school friend of my mother, my high school English teacher, and later my friend. She had a wonderful personality and a great sense of humor. I will always remember my visit to her home in Estes Park and she graciously took us on a tour of her second home that she loved so much. She was a great lady and I will forever have happy memories of her and Bob. My sympathy to you, Nancy, and your family. She was one of a kind!

Sherry Fletcher - June 28, 2021 at 01:50 PM

CD

Nancy, my deepest sympathy sympathy to you and family. Jerry and I spent many evenings with your Mom, Dad, Mike & you enjoying your Moms pizza. She made the best. She is someone I admired. Hugs to you Nancy!

Corine Duft - June 29, 2021 at 01:29 PM

DO

Shirley was a fellow English teacher at HHS. We were long time friends and enjoyed being entertained and entertaining her and Bob many, many times. We loved her droll sense of humor, her quick retorts, and her kindness. She was special. Our sincerest condolences to Nancy and family.. Dale and Pam Ott

Dale and Pam Ott - June 29, 2021 at 02:54 PM

CM

Such an effect, this wonderful teacher had on my life! After spending five years in her French classes, I was motivated to travel to France as a foreign exchange student for a six month period in my Senior year. She encouraged me along the way and was so pleasant and nice everyday. She was a very special teacher and I will always appreciate everything she did for me. I am so sorry for your loss at this very difficult time. Prayers to all her family and friends. Carol Schmitt MacKnight

Carol Schmitt MacKnight - June 30, 2021 at 03:35 AM