



## Joan Marie Miller

February 5, 1957 - July 31, 2020

Joan M Miller age 63 of Dixon died Friday July 31, 2020 at OSF Richard L Owens Hospice Home in Peoria. She was born Feb. 5, 1957 in Peoria the daughter of Lawrence J., Jr., and Theresa W. (Scheirer) Miller. She was a member of the Class of 1975 at the Academy of Our Lady High School and graduate from Sauk Valley Community College with an Associate's Degree in Early Childhood Education. Joan taught Preschool at St Mary's School in Dixon for 23 years.

She was a member of St Patrick Catholic Church in Dixon where she served as a Eucharistic Minister and was active in the Ministry Formation program for the Rockford Diocese. In 2009 Joan made a pilgrimage to Medjugorje.

She was preceded in death by her mother Theresa and her nephew and godson Jonathan Miller

Joan is survived by her daughters Rebecca (Ryan Whaley) Fuchs of Dixon, Sarah (Harley) Boeck of Monroe, WI, grandchildren Joslin, Lilly, Kayden, George, Garrett, Rhett, Kyla, and Brooklyn. She is also survived by her father Lawrence, siblings Barbara (Michael) Fahel, Mary (Randy) Ragains, Lawrence (Valerie) Miller III, Rita (Joe) Ernst, Raymond Miller, Phyllis (John) DeWaard, Vincent (Linda) Miller, sisters in law Risè Miller and Sue (Jim) Mischler and many treasured nieces and nephews.

Visitation will be on Tuesday Aug. 4, 2020 from 3:00 to 7:00 PM at the Jones Funeral Home in Dixon with the Rosary at 7:00 PM. A private family Mass of Christian Burial will be on Wednesday at St Patrick Catholic Church in Dixon

with the Rev. James Keenan officiating.

Burial will be Wednesday at 4:00 PM at St Mary Cemetery in Metamora, IL.

Face coverings are required at the visitation and services. Memorials have been established to Richard L Owens Hospice Home in Peoria and to St Mary School in Dixon. Funeral Mass will be available on Facebook <https://www.facebook.com/StPatrickDixon/>

# Cemetery Details

## St Mary Cemetery

Metamora, IL

# Previous Events

## Visitation

AUG 4. 3:00 PM - 7:00 PM (CT)

Jones Funeral Home, Dixon  
204 South Ottawa  
Dixon, IL 61021  
Ph: 815-288-2241  
info@thejonesfh.com  
<https://www.thejonesfh.com>

# Tribute Wall



“ *Joan Marie Miller*

October 08, 2023 at 11:30 AM



“ *Joan Marie Miller*

December 31, 2022 at 02:40 AM



“ *My condolences.*

*I discovered Joan's death in my genealogical research. Having just discovered that we are all 3rd cousins (through the Scheirers), I find that Joan just died!*

*God be with you.*

David E Volk - October 25, 2020 at 12:08 AM



“ *As one of the West Virginia cousins, I remember our visits to the Miller home in Washington, IL. The thing I remember most about Joanie is that unquenchable smile! Uncle Larry and cousins, Phyllis, Raymond, Rita, Vincent, Barb, Mary and LJ, you're in my thoughts with these special memories.*

Dave Miller - August 06, 2020 at 01:45 PM

MF

“ We did not know Joan very well, but whenever we say her at St Patrick Church in Washington, she would always have a smile for us. We, of course, knew her Mom and Dad from church too. Usually they would come to the 11:00 Mass on Sunday's. Very good people, indeed. We will pray for Joan and her family in these coming days. Respectfully, Morrie (and Martha) Franz

Morrie Franz - August 04, 2020 at 09:14 PM

LN

“ Joan was a wonderful person- we are so fortunate to have known her. She will be greatly missed in this world. Bob & Linda Nieu Kirk

Linda Nieu Kirk - August 03, 2020 at 05:09 PM



“ Medium Dish Garden was purchased for the family of Joan Marie Miller.



August 03, 2020 at 04:00 PM

GF

“ George & Anna Mae Noe Family purchased the Full Of Love Bouquet for the family of Joan Marie Miller.



George & Anna Mae Noe Family - August 03, 2020 at 01:41 PM

JW

“ *Uncle Larry, Barbara, Mary LJ, Rita, Ray, Phyllis, Vincent and families. So sorry to hear of Joans passing. She was a sweet person. You are all in my thoughts and prayers.*

*I am sorry Jim and I will not be able to attend the funeral, I will keep you all in my prayers.*

*Valerie and Jim Wallenfang*

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**James Wallenfang** - August 03, 2020 at 11:30 AM



“ *Enchanted Cottage was purchased for the family of Joan Marie Miller.*



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August 03, 2020 at 08:51 AM

LF

“ *Joanie and I were high school friends. So was always so sweet and was always available for her friends. We had lost contact over the years. But based on the fact that she became a teacher does not surprise me. I know she will continue to watch over her "kids" and help to guide them on a positive path. My prayers are with her family and friends.*



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**Lynn Stolin Fischer** - August 03, 2020 at 08:14 AM

JM

“ Joe And Carol Madden lit a candle in memory of Joan Marie Miller



joe and carol madden - August 03, 2020 at 08:00 AM

SA

“ see above purchased the Full Of Love Bouquet for the family of Joan Marie Miller.

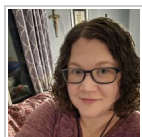


see above - August 02, 2020 at 10:15 PM

JH

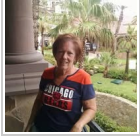
“ Joan was a gentle soul who made every child feel safe. She was an example to all of us - a Saint on earth. She will be sorely missed.

Jean Hermes - August 02, 2020 at 08:02 PM



“ I taught at St. Mary's with Joan for my entire career. I have never met a more gentle and loving soul in my life. Joan knew how to bring out the best in every little person she taught, and was a calming presence to us all. She will be deeply missed. St. Joan, pray for us 🙏

Sarah Campbell - August 02, 2020 at 01:47 PM



“ *Deb Dickinson lit a candle in memory of Joan Marie Miller*



**Deb Dickinson** - August 02, 2020 at 10:14 AM

SP

*Ms. Miller embraced every child that came to her. She was the foundation for our children and we are forever grateful. She will be greatly missed.*

**Sharon Phelps** - August 02, 2020 at 04:02 PM

CW

*I think Ms. Miller was one of the reasons so many parents sent their children to SMS in Dixon. She was a wonderful, caring teacher who made each child feel valued and loved. Her class was a strong foundation to build their grade school years. She will be sorely missed.*



**Cheri Wolfe** - August 03, 2020 at 12:07 PM

PM

*How Blessed I was to able to work as an aid with Joan in pre-school for 15 plus years. She touched my life in so many ways and every time I turn around I see a reminder of her. Her gentle love touched my life in so many ways as well as every child that came through our classroom. How I loved her and will miss her.*

**Penny Mallo** - August 04, 2020 at 01:51 PM

MG

*We remember Joan as a warm, smiling presence at St Pat's - always a smile and a laugh when she was around. Our thoughts and prayers have been with you and will continue. Dave, Muriel, Josh, Kathleen, and Brian Graham*

**Muriel W Graham** - August 06, 2020 at 10:03 AM