



Bernadette Rita Lynch

August 20, 1919 - January 19, 2014

Bernadette Rita Lynch, 94, a resident of West Hartford for the last eight years died on January 19, after an extended illness. Born in New York City on August 20, 1919, she was the daughter of John and Florence Tierney Sweeney. Bernadette graduated from the College of Mount Saint Vincent, Class of 1940, and married Robert F. Lynch on January 15, 1944, after he returned from wartime service in the South Pacific. In the following years, they lived in New York, Rhode Island, Ohio and Delaware. After her three children were of school age, Bernadette began her career as an elementary school teacher. She received her Master of Arts in Education degree from the University of Bridgeport . A dedicated and creative teacher, she loved teaching and, after retiring in 1984, continued as a volunteer tutor. In the following years, she took great delight in meeting her former students and hearing about their lives since they left her classroom. Bernadette is survived by her three children Patricia Sincerbeaux (Richard), Locust Valley, NY; Robert (Robin), Riverdale, NY; and David (Mary Anne), West Hartford, CT; six grandchildren and her brother Col. John A. Sweeney (Ret.), Sea Girt, NJ. She was predeceased by two sisters Jane Murphy of Manhasset, N.Y. and Marjorie Clancy of Princeton Junction, N.J.

A funeral Mass will be celebrated on January 23, 2014, 10:00 a.m. at Holy Name of Jesus Church in Valhalla, N.Y. Burial will be at the Gate of Heaven Cemetery in Hawthorne, NY. Bernadette's family would like to express its sincere gratitude to the staff of St. Mary Home in West Hartford for their loving

care of her over the past 3 years. Donations may be made in her memory to the College of Mount Saint Vincent, Development Office, 6301 Riverdale Avenue, Riverdale, NY 10471.

Cemetery Details

Gate of Heaven (NY)

10 W. Stevens Ave.
Hawthorne, NY

Previous Events

Mass of Christian Burial

JAN 23. 10:00 AM (ET)

Holy Name of Jesus Church
2 Broadway
Valhalla, NY