



Joyce Godin

September 22, 2015

Joyce (Watts) Godin, 81 ,of Farmington, CT died September 22, 2015. Joyce was born in Northampton, MA on March 12, 1934 to Stanley T. and Edith (Smith) Watts. She is predeceased by her husband of 52 years, Raymond P. Godin, and their youngest son, Douglas S. Godin. She is survived by her sons Jeffrey P. Godin, of South Windsor, CT and Eric J. Godin of Lynn, MA, grandsons Aaron and Elijah Godin of Salem, MA, granddaughter, Kelly (Godin) Capponcelli and her husband Eric Capponcelli and great grandson, Noah Capponcelli of Southhampton, MA. She is also survived by brothers David Watts and his wife Karen of Denmark, and Stuart Watts and his wife Susan of Louisville, KY several nieces, nephews, and extended family. She will be greatly missed by all her family and friends. Joyce grew up in Greenfield, MA and was a graduate of Greenfield High School. She earned her RN from Peter Bent Brigham Hospital School of nursing, Boston, MA and later a Baccalaureate in Nursing from the University of Hartford and a Master of Arts in Counseling from Saint Joseph College, West Hartford, CT. She studied Enterostomal

Therapy or Ostomy Care at Roswell Park Memorial Institute in Buffalo New York. Her nursing career was varied: in hospitals, outpatient clinics, and home care. For the last twenty five years of working, she specialized in Ostomy and Wound Care Nursing. She was a certified member of the Wound, Ostomy, Contenance Nursing Society (WOCN) of the United Sates and of the World Council of Enterostomal Therapy Nurses. (WCET). Joyce and Ray enjoyed

traveling to many states in the USA and to Canada, Mexico, South Africa, France, England, Sweden, Denmark, Italy, and Singapore for pleasure and to attend professional nurse conferences. She also made several vacation trips with sons and grandchildren, brothers and other family. She went to El Salvador three times with a group of Eye Doctors and Dentists as an assistant in the Site and Bite Clinics they provided for people in two small towns. She also went to El Salvador with another group to visits schools and families at home. Since retiring she has enjoyed swimming, gardening, and learning to quilt. She was an active volunteer with many Farmington, groups, First Church Congregational 1652, the Friends of the Libraries, Library Board, Land Trust, Food Pantry, and the American Red Cross. There are no calling hours. A Memorial Service and Buffet Luncheon will be held at First Church Congregational 1652, 75 Main Street, Farmington, 006032 on (Saturday) October 3, 2015 at 12 p.m. In lieu of flowers donations may be made to First Church Congregational 1652, 75 Main Street, Farmington, CT 06032; the American Red Cross, 209 Farmington Ave., Farmington, CT 06032,; or to the Remembrance Fund of the Friends of the Farmington Libraries, 6 Monteith Drive, Farmington, Farmington Food Pantry; or to a charity of donors choice.

Tribute Wall

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“Joyce volunteered with the American Red Cross. She was part of our Disaster Action Team (DAT) and Health Services. As part of the DAT she responded to help displaced clients following a fire. Joyce when called on would meet up with the team day or night. She also deployed out of state to help those affected by tornados. With her medical background she helped when we were called upon to open shelters in Ct. following recent storms.... she was always willing to help where she could. Joyce was a pleasure to work with. She would come into the office to work on medical and sometimes she would bring Jeffrey with her. She shared happy highlights with us of her gardening, work with Church, Library and of family gatherings, to see Eric and family in MA... trips to Europe / Denmark to visit David and family.... and of a recent trip to Alaska with family. We are grateful for the time and help that Joyce gave us. She will be missed by all of her friends at American Red Cross.

Pat Calcinari / American Red Cross / Farmington, Ct.

Pat Calcinari - October 02, 2015 at 11:32 PM

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“I met Joyce when we were swimming at the pool several years before her illness. She was a strong swimmer and an even stronger person. She was humble, but I was impressed with her selflessness and independence. Time spent with her family was so important to her, whether at weddings, showers or traveling. She was the ultimate volunteer. Yes, she will be missed!

*Nancy Dewey
West Hartford*

Nancy Dewey - September 30, 2015 at 10:03 AM

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Marylou Smith - September 29, 2015 at 01:22 PM

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Marylou Smith - September 29, 2015 at 01:17 PM

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“ *Joyce made such a difference in the lives of all those she touched. The relief work she did and her extensive volunteer service have always inspired me. We were so blessed to have the chance to spend some time with her in New Orleans! She loved life and had such a spirit of adventure. One of my favorite memories was the time we shared in her home where she prepared a home cooked meal for me and served it on my mom's china. She will be missed by all but I know all those who have gone before are welcoming her home.*

Marylou Smith - September 29, 2015 at 01:09 PM

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“Joyce will be missed, condolences to Eric and Jeffrey as well as Stuart and David. So glad Pat McKay had the cousin reunion in 2010 now that my husband George and his cousin Joe are now gone as well and now Joyce. There are many fond memories, in addition to the fact Joyce and Ray both came to our wedding in 1973. At the time I did not realize their anniversary was close to that date. We attended their 25th Anniversary party so many years ago on an adventurous trip we took when George was working on Long Island. Know that my thoughts and prayers are with you all.

Susan Silliman Smith

Susan Silliman Smith - September 28, 2015 at 01:18 PM

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Pat McKay - September 28, 2015 at 12:21 PM

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Sooo glad we had that time together...George and Joe left us shortly thereafter; now Joyce. And Peter is in his final days. Lord, I ask you to lift up our family during these difficult days. "For God so loved the world that He gave His one and only Son, that whoever believes in Him shall not perish but have eternal life." John 3:16

Pat McKay - September 28, 2015 at 12:27 PM

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Joyce was such a cheerleader for family. She loved getting together—and hosting—family. She was a great fan and hard worker for the Delvee Reunion, a family tradition every summer. You were a wonderful encouragement to me in caring for Peter, Joyce. I will miss you! <3 u

Pat McKay - September 28, 2015 at 02:23 PM

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“*I have known Joyce for several years as we worked together as volunteers for the Farmington Food Pantry. From the moment I met Joyce - I wanted to know more about her. She was always the first to say yes to a volunteer request. Her spirit and boundless energy were an inspiration to all of us at the Food Pantry. She was fun and smart and strong and she will be missed. Her dedication had no limits as she was actually planning to attend a Food Pantry meeting on the evening of September 21st. I am forever better for having known Joyce and I will miss her. My heartfelt condolences to her family.*

Cristina Ramsay, Unionville, CT

Cristina Ramsay - September 28, 2015 at 09:47 AM

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“ One of my earliest memories was at her wedding to Ray some 60+ years ago, sitting at a booth with I know my brother George and possibly her brothers Stewart and David. Visiting her and her family as a teenager in Connecticut, times at Delvee Grove. As an adult having moved west I lost communicative touch but not my memories of a kind wonderful woman. I had the good fortune to see her in NOLA with our cousin Mary Lou about 4 years ago and we were able to share some family memories and get somewhat caught up on our lives. We all will miss you cousin Joyce. My condolences to Stewart and David and the rest of your families, as you know you had a wonderful sister.

Sam Smith - September 25, 2015 at 11:05 AM

DK

I have known Joyce for several years through the Farmington Land Trust. What a wonderful lady, and such a generous supporter of preserving our land in the Town of Farmington. She has left a legacy of stewardship and kindness. She will be missed by many. Condolences to the Godin family.

debbie klene - September 26, 2015 at 05:58 AM

JH

Joyce was a generous, compassionate person, always willing to help others up to the minute she died. The saying, "If you want something done, ask a busy person" must have been inspired by Joyce's commitment to whatever project she took on. Her life was one of service and selflessness, but she certainly liked to have a good time. I'll miss our Hartford Stage Sundays and dinners. We miss you, dear friend. Our sincere condolences to Joyce's loved ones.

Jane and Jerry Hikel - September 28, 2015 at 08:03 AM

JS

I had the honor and pleasure of working with Joyce when I did direct patient care as a staff nurse at St Francis Hospital...she was a great lady, great nurse and teacher and no challenge was too great for her! May she rest in the peace of our Lord.

Joan Sonski

Joan Sonski - October 02, 2015 at 08:15 AM

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*In 1993 I met Joyce who was the Mom of the man I was to marry in 1994. Even though I was a 'southern gal' that had met her son Doug in Charleston where he was training for his job, she was gracious to me from the day we met. Family was everything to her and being a part of that was a dear blessing. Joyce was always so full of movement and spirit and was always helping someone, somewhere. There was comfort in knowing the family was knit together by this courageous woman and she will be sorely missed. Even though we lost Doug and Ray in 2006, 2007, we kept close in letters and emails. I will miss that. Praying peace and comfort for Eric, Jeff, and Grands Aaron, Eli and Kelly, as well as many other extended family members. Love Always,
Laura Godin*

Laura Godin - October 03, 2015 at 09:59 PM