



## Rita Belle Barry

May 8, 2019

Rita Belle Barry, 89 of West Hartland, CT, passed gently from this world on Wednesday, May 8, 2019, in the care and comfort of her son and grandchildren. The daughter of the late William and Belle Bumster, she was a devoted and caring mother and grandmother. She is predeceased by her husband Frank Barry and daughter Colleen Barry Michelson. She is survived by her son Kevin Barry, and her grandchildren Katie, Jenah, Robert, Patrick, and Gbraith. Rita was the oldest of two children, her brother William Bumster Jr. also predeceased her. Rita was born in Hartford on May 10, 1929 and attended Bulkeley High School. She went on to earn her master's degree in history at St. Joseph's College for Women. She entered the teaching world in the Hartford Public School System and taught elementary school until becoming a mother in 1960. She was a substitute teacher as time allowed as her children grew up. Later she went back to full time teaching in the Catholic Schools until her retirement. Her greatest joys in life came from time spent with her children and grandchildren, whether it was on the beach at Greenhill, or by the fire in Vt., it made no difference if we were together. She always made sure everyone had what they needed religiously. Her tireless efforts and love will always be remembered fondly by all those who knew and loved her. You will be missed GMA. We hope only that you are with Grandpa now and are no longer in pain. We love you. The funeral will be on Wednesday May 15, 2019, 9:15 am from the Molloy Funeral Home, 906 Farmington Ave, West Hartford, with a mass of Christian Burial at 10:00 a.m. in Sacred Heart Church

in Bloomfield. Burial will follow at Mt. View Cemetery, Bloomfield. Calling hours are Tuesday May 14, 2019, at the funeral home from 4-7 pm. in addition to flowers, donations to Theresa's Battleship Foundation, 367 Beacon Hill Dr., Cheshire CT 06410 will be greatly appreciated. Online expressions of sympathy may be made at [www.molloyfuneralhome.com](http://www.molloyfuneralhome.com)

# Cemetery Details

## Mt. View Cemetery

26 Mt. Ave.  
Bloomfield, CT

# Previous Events

## Calling Hours

MAY 14. 4:00 PM - 7:00 PM (ET)

Molloy Funeral Home  
906 Farmington Avenue  
West Hartford, CT 06119  
(860) 232-1322

## Mass of Christian Burial

MAY 15. 10:00 AM (ET)

Sacred Heart Church  
Wintonbury Ave.  
Bloomfield, CT

# Tribute Wall



“ *Enchanted Cottage was purchased for the family of Rita Belle Barry.*



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May 14, 2019 at 11:41 AM



“ *Basket of Memories was purchased for the family of Rita Belle Barry.*



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May 13, 2019 at 08:14 PM



“ *Kevin and family,*

*Thinking of you and your family during this sad & difficult time. You mom was such a sweetheart. She was so kind, funny and personable when we had seen her at a picnic at your house. She had such a lively spirit that we know will be missed by so many. You have been in our thoughts during this sad time and we hope your mom is now wrapped in God's loving arms. She will always be your guardian angel.*

*With sincerest sympathy,  
Bill, Joanne and Sarah*

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**Joanne Berlinski** - May 13, 2019 at 08:48 AM

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“ *The Long, Kalberer, & Shiffer Families purchased the Beautiful in Blue for the family of Rita Belle Barry.*



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**The Long, Kalberer, & Shiffer Families** - May 10, 2019 at 05:24 PM