



Sharon Farrell Barnes

October 11, 2022

Sharon Farrell Barnes, age 74, passed away unexpectedly at home on Oct. 11, 2022. She was born on Aug. 27, 1948 in Hartford, CT to Mary Cook Farrell and Frederick Farrell, Jr. Sharon was known for her loving service to others. She was a congregant of St. Justin-St. Michael Parish in Hartford, CT and St. Mary's church in Virginia Beach, VA. After graduating from Weaver High School (1966), Sharon pursued careers in service, marketing and communications with Northwest Catholic High School (West Hartford) and Al-Anon World Service Organization (Virginia Beach, VA). She was an emphatic supporter of UConn basketball as well as the sports teams of her "many" children at Northwest Catholic High School. Her lifelong love of music, especially spiritual and gospel music was shared and enjoyed with her friends and family throughout her life. She became a friend of Lois in 1976 and spent many years in service, volunteering to facilitate spiritual retreats, as well as service positions in her home groups in CT and Virginia Beach and area and districts. Sharon loved people and loved to be able to provide guidance and assistance to anyone who was seeking to heal from the effects of alcoholism. Sharon leaves behind her three children Karen Barnes (Oakland, CA), Loryn Barnes and wife Sarah (Danbury, CT) and Jordan Barnes (West New York, NJ), her sister Deborah Giddings (Enfield, CT) and brother James Farrell (Enfield, CT), along with family and hundreds of friends. She was predeceased by her parents, her brother Frederick and sister Patricia. Calling hours will be held at Molloy Funeral Home, 906 Farmington Ave., West

Hartford, CT on Monday, Oct. 17th from 3:00-7:00 p.m. Funeral service will be held on Tuesday, Oct. 18th at 11:00 a.m. at St. Justin-St. Michael Parish, 230 Blue Hills Ave., Hartford, CT with a reception at St. Justin-St. Michael Parish Hall to follow after interment at Mt. St. Benedict Cemetery. The funeral service will live-streamed from St. Justin-St. Michael Parish – www.stjustinstmichael.org

To honor Sharon's memory of service, memorial donations can be made to Al-Anon World Service organization at www.al-anon.org or to a charity of your choice.

Cemetery Details

Mount Saint Benedict

1 Cottage Grove Road
Bloomfield, CT

Previous Events

Calling Hours

OCT 17. 3:00 PM - 7:00 PM (ET)

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

Mass of Christian Burial

OCT 18. 11:00 AM (ET)

St. Justin - St. Michael Parish
230 Blue Hills Ave.
Hartford, CT
<https://stjustinstmichael.org/>

Tribute Wall



“ *Molloy Funeral Home created a Webcast in memory of Sharon Farrell Barnes*



Molloy Funeral Home - October 17, 2022 at 12:27 PM



“ *Sharon was a fellow lector and prayer group prayer warrior at the Basilica of St Mary of the Immaculate Conception in Norfolk, Virginia. She was a joy to know and was an inspiration to many. We blessed her at the Basilica of St Mary's prior to her returning home to Connecticut. She has been missed by all of us at the Basilica since her departure. I'm quite sure Jesus will continue to use her prayer warrior skills, and she will be praying for all of us now! God bless you, Sharon, and may your soul rest in Christ's peace.*

Cheryl Oscar - October 17, 2022 at 11:04 AM



“ *Pink Tribute Spray was purchased for the family of Sharon Farrell Barnes.*



October 17, 2022 at 10:15 AM



“ *Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum* was purchased for the family of Sharon Farrell Barnes.



October 17, 2022 at 10:09 AM



“ *Lillian Carter Branch* purchased the *Peaceful White Lilies Basket* for the family of Sharon Farrell Barnes.



Lillian Carter Branch - October 16, 2022 at 10:14 PM



“ *Arrive in Style* was purchased for the family of Sharon Farrell Barnes.



October 16, 2022 at 09:47 PM



“ *Sentiments of Serenity Spray* was purchased for the family of Sharon Farrell Barnes.



October 16, 2022 at 08:46 PM

CC

“ Cheryl, Carla and Chuck purchased the Rose Garden Heart for the family of Sharon Farrell Barnes.



Cheryl, Carla and Chuck - October 16, 2022 at 07:55 PM

PW

“ God bless and keep you Sharon. You were a true Al-anon friend to all. You walked you're talk. I am saddened to lose you and I send condolences to your family and friends. Wishing you peace and a safe journey my friend.

Pete Woodhead - October 16, 2022 at 09:26 AM



“ Divine Peace Bouquet was purchased for the family of Sharon Farrell Barnes.



October 15, 2022 at 09:33 PM

GM

“ Gladys Smith-Basilica of St Mary purchased the Peaceful White Lilies Basket for the family of Sharon Farrell Barnes.



Gladys Smith-Basilica of St Mary - October 15, 2022 at 07:24 PM



“ *Arrive in Style was purchased for the family of Sharon Farrell Barnes.*



October 15, 2022 at 02:09 PM



“ *Beautiful Heart Bouquet was purchased for the family of Sharon Farrell Barnes.*



October 15, 2022 at 02:03 PM



“ *Dreams From the Heart Bouquet was purchased for the family of Sharon Farrell Barnes.*



October 15, 2022 at 08:41 AM



“ *Candy and I were saddened to read today of the untimely death of Sharon Farrell Barnes. She helped so many people travel life's rocky trails—including us. Love and prayers to her wonderful family.*

Bob and Candy Killian - October 15, 2022 at 08:30 AM

OW

“ We were shocked to hear of Sharon's passing. She was a dear friend & a wonderful lady. Sharon contributed so much of her time talent & treasure at the Basilica of St. Mary of the Immaculate Conception Catholic Church in Norfolk. Sharon loved people & made many friends. She invested in building strong, deep, genuine & lasting relationships. She lovingly embraced all people, & payed attention to even small details in her efforts to create happy times & share joy with those around her. May memories of her time with us fill each of us with joy as she continues to come to mind. Rest in peace dear faithful & faithfilled friend. Blessings! Dorothy & Ofelia Wattlely

Ofelia Wattlely - October 14, 2022 at 06:22 PM

NB

Our dear beloved Sharon. We accompany her family with our deepest sorrow.
Her gentle and outspoken spirit welcomed us all into her home.
We will always love her, cherish our memories together and her presence will live with us forever.
Fly high our dear friend and i wilk forever miss you.
❤️Nina Bentham

Nina Bentham - October 14, 2022 at 09:23 PM



“ Beautiful Dreams was purchased for the family of Sharon Farrell Barnes.



October 14, 2022 at 03:23 PM

LO

“ *She was such a special person. Loved her at northwest. She was a women ahead of her time. A leader*

lorraine florio olson - October 14, 2022 at 12:58 PM



“ *Divine Peace Bouquet was purchased for the family of Sharon Farrell Barnes.*



October 14, 2022 at 12:23 PM



“ *Strength & Solace Spray was purchased for the family of Sharon Farrell Barnes.*



October 14, 2022 at 12:15 PM

SL

“ *Sharon was one of the greatest supporters of the music ministry at the Basilica of St. Mary Parish. She always made it a point to share how much she enjoyed and appreciated our ministry. We extend our sincerest condolences to her family! Eternal rest grant unto her, O Lord... and let perpetual light shine upon her. May she rest in peace. Amen.*

Sammie Logan - October 14, 2022 at 10:55 AM



“ *Sentiments of Serenity Spray was purchased for the family of Sharon Farrell Barnes.*



October 14, 2022 at 10:21 AM



“ *What a beautiful soul. Ms. Barnes always looking out for her extended kids from NWC. My condolences to Jordan, LB and the rest of the family. I will keep you all in my thoughts and prayers.*

Gregory Grant

Gregory Grant - October 14, 2022 at 10:11 AM



“ *Lavender Reflections Spray was purchased for the family of Sharon Farrell Barnes.*



October 14, 2022 at 09:15 AM



“ *It is really not real to me yet. My buddy you always remembered my birthday. We celebrated a lot together as family. One thing I know for sure, you were the "anchor", Queen Mother who loved her children VERY MUCH.*

May you take you rest in paradise. 🕊️🙏❤️😭

Lisa Jones West - October 13, 2022 at 11:29 PM

LA

We love you and missed your bright shining spirit at ST Mary's in Norfolk VA. You were a dear friend to so many and we shared sweet loving moments together. I am in shock because I thought we would get to spend time together again but God had a plan for you. I left a message for the family and friends on her Facebook page and there are no words to truly express our loss of this sweet loving lady who was a blessing to her family and friends. Sending love and prayers to you all.

LaVerne Avant - October 14, 2022 at 09:26 AM

AT

*“Fondest memories of Mrs. Barnes. She made us cheese quesadillas that tasted just like Friendly's. At 10 years old it was the best day ever for me. Love you, Jordan! Sending prayers to you and your siblings. What a beautiful soul and I will never forget her.
Ayana (Greene) Taylor*

Ayana Taylor - October 13, 2022 at 09:43 PM



“Beautiful in Blue was purchased for the family of Sharon Farrell Barnes.



October 13, 2022 at 07:59 PM

NH

“Oh how she loved and was so proud of each of her children. She mentioned you all often. My American Bandstand and Cathedral friend, Maine and I will miss you deeply. Luv Ya, Norene Osgood Haley

Norene Osgood Haley - October 13, 2022 at 07:09 PM



“ Peaceful White Lilies Basket was purchased for the family of Sharon Farrell Barnes.



October 13, 2022 at 07:04 PM



“ I shared so much fun and laughter with Sharon and will miss her. She was a dear friend. My heartfelt condolences to the entire Barnes family. ❤️

Marilyn Adamo - October 13, 2022 at 06:48 PM



“ Fairest of All was purchased for the family of Sharon Farrell Barnes.



October 13, 2022 at 06:23 PM



“ Ms Sharon was one of my grandmothers longest friends. She was always so uplifting and kind. I'm going to miss the joy and spirit from them both. She will be missed but never forgotten ❤️ -Maristella Anjali

Maristella - October 13, 2022 at 06:13 PM

LT

“ Sharon was such a kind and loving person. I was fortunate to spend some time with her at my daughter’s celebration. She will truly be missed.

Lori Bryant Thompson

Lori Thompson - October 13, 2022 at 06:08 PM

JF

“ She was so loved and will be so missed. She made everyone feel so special. I will miss you Mrs. Barnes.

Jenifer Fields - October 13, 2022 at 05:05 PM

SB

“ Heartfelt condolences to the Barnes family. I will miss my lifelong buddy forever. Love and prayers, Sue Brimmer

Susan Brimmer - October 13, 2022 at 04:34 PM



“ My Mom had a very hearty laugh, I will always feel her joy in my heart. Miss you too much, Mom

Karen Barnes - October 13, 2022 at 04:23 PM

BA

my condolences and prayers to the Barnes family, she will be dearly missed! Bill and Carolyn Arango V.Bch. Virginia Beach, VA

Bill and Carolyn Arango - October 14, 2022 at 12:03 AM

BC

I am surely going to miss you Sharon. My real, true friend. Prayers and comfort to the family.

Betty and Andrew Clancy

Betty Clancy - October 14, 2022 at 12:31 PM

JM

My deepest sympathy to Loryn, Jordan, and family. Thoughts and prayers are with you at this time.
John Mirabello

John Mirabello - October 14, 2022 at 01:51 PM

MF

How I will miss Sharon! She loved her family and was so proud of each of you!! When she talked about you she had such a smile on her face! You were her world! I am so sorry for your loss. It is too soon for the world to be without Sharon!

Mary Ann Fortin - October 17, 2022 at 08:35 PM

RM

I first met Sharon in the early 1980's in Massachusetts. Sharon brought a joy and irrepressible laughter that could lighten any moment. She had a compassionate spirit that drew you to her in difficult times. You knew she would listen with her heart. Rest in peace, Sharon.

Richard McCluskey - October 18, 2022 at 09:22 AM