



Mrs. Darlene P. Baugus

February 25, 1937 - June 4, 2016

Dar Baugus, daughter of John and Marie Pokornowski (both deceased) of Lester Prairie, Minnesota, and wife of John Baugus of Roswell, Georgia, passed away on June 4, 2016 from the effects of Acute Myeloid Leukemia. She was a graduate of the St Mary's School of Nursing (affiliated with the Mayo Clinic) in Rochester, MN, received her Bachelor's degree from the College of St. Francis in Joliet, IL, and her Masters from Georgia State University in Atlanta.

She continued working in and around the medical profession for the rest of her life, fitting it around her demands as a wife and mother. At various times she worked in doctors' offices, worked at the Georgia Rehabilitation Center, established and managed the clinic for the Marist School in Atlanta, served as a paramedic instructor in the Dekalb County EMS, managed the Education Department at Scottish Rite Children's Hospital in Atlanta, and finished her working career as a Medical Case Manager. In retirement while living in Big Canoe, GA she established a pharmacy operation and a Prescription Drug Assistance Program for a free clinic serving the medically indigent residents of Pickens County, GA, and was actively involved in the supervision of both for a number of years before and after moving to Rowell. After making her last move to the St. George Village continuing care retirement community in Roswell, she established and ran a cost-free brand name medication assistance program as a ministry of the St. Peter Chanel Catholic Church serving the medically indigent in the Roswell/Alpharetta area.

For twenty years she battled two separate diseases in a family of diseases known as Myelo Proliferative Neuroplasms (MPN's) before her second disease transformed to Acute Myeloid Leukemia. Over the years she continued to out-live medical expectations of her life duration. She lived and died as a true Christian, looking forward to the rewards of heaven. In lieu of flowers, please donate in her memory to the MPN Research Foundation at www.mpnresearchfoundation.org. or donate a gift of blood or platelets in her memory to the Atlanta Blood Services by emailing nherring@bmtga.com. She is survived by her husband John, their children John Jr, Kathryn Baugus Kopp, and Jim, four grandchildren Brittany, Travis, Ollie, and Bennett Baugus, and brother Richard Pokornowski of Vancouver, WA. A funeral mass will be conducted at 10:30 am on Friday, June 10, 2016 at the St. Peter Chanel Catholic Church in Roswell.

Cemetery Details

Georgia National Cemetery

5580 Knox Bridge Hwy.,
Canton, GA

Previous Events

Memorial Mass

JUN 10. 10:30 AM (ET)

St. Peter Chanel Catholic Church
11330 Woodstock Road
Roswell, GA

Tribute Wall



“ *Mrs. Darlene P. Baugus*

October 08, 2022 at 11:37 AM



“ *When your name is Dar and you're from MN, you just connect! Dar and I met at Scottish Rite Children's Hospital years ago. She was in the Education Dept and I was Director of Volunteers and we worked together for events that involved volunteers and education. She was a woman of class and there was a soft calmness about her that was a joy to be around.*

The time and efforts Dar gave during the last years of her life for those in need is a legacy we would all like to leave!

My thoughts with John and her family --- and thanks to another Dar for sharing your gift of love!

*Peace
Dar Sery*

Dar - June 10, 2016 at 07:12 PM



“ *Love Everlasting Bouquet was purchased for the family of Mrs. Darlene P. Baugus.*



June 08, 2016 at 02:11 PM



“ I have known Mrs. Baugus A.K.A. Dar since I was very young and spending time at the Ollinger's house. After my mother had passed, she and Aunt Bea always took care of us when we were in Dunwoody. Great times to remember. Now they are all together again watching over us from above.

Randy Steinbrenner - June 07, 2016 at 07:55 AM

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“ No finer, kinder, more loving, generous woman ever existed than Dar Baugus. Dar's smile could light up a room, her deep, calm voice could soothe the most disturbed, and her gentle giving spirit sustained all who knew her. From the football fields of her sons' youth, to Marist's hallowed halls, to long trips to Italy, South Africa, the Greek Isles, and the Panama Canal, to fun times in Hilton Head, I was privileged to share in Dar's joy of life. And, I am honored to have witnessed the beautiful relationship that Dar and John shared. Their marriage should be the outline for a class taught to all young people about to commit to sharing their lives.
I will miss Dar's positive outlook and her wonderful view of this world and the people in it. Never was there a truer friend. Her joy in seeing her family grow and being with loving friends was boundless. There is a huge ache in my heart where Dar was and a joyful choir singing somewhere to welcome her to serve there as she served here. Be at peace my dear friend. We will all miss you more than words can say. Katie Schmitz

Katie Schmitz - June 06, 2016 at 02:30 PM



“ *Full Of Love Bouquet was purchased for the family of Mrs. Darlene P. Baugus.*



June 06, 2016 at 12:28 PM



“ *I have known Dar (Mrs.) Baugus since before I can remember, but it was in the last few years that I learned the true tenacity of her spirit. A long-time friend to my parents, Dar showed my siblings and me what lifetime friendship meant by fighting tirelessly to see that my ill mother got the treatment and attention her rare condition required.*

Never mind that Dar had her own serious health problems, she navigated multiple obstacles to see that Mom was accommodated appropriately, then complemented that hard work by looking in on Mom and visiting with her for hours on end.

By this example (and I'm sure countless more that I am unaware of), Dar demonstrated that "in sickness and in health" applies not just to marriage, but to friendship too.

Thank you, Mrs. Baugus. I know Mom must be thrilled to see you.

Paul Ollinger - June 06, 2016 at 12:09 PM



“ I am going to miss my beautiful friend of many years and will always treasure the fond memories we shared together and with our husbands and other close friends. John and Dar had a remarkable "love affair" and were such an inspiration to us, especially as John showered her with nurturing care during her illnesses. Dar was always positive and thinking of others even when she was so ill. What a special lady.

Mary Ellen Blount - June 06, 2016 at 11:46 AM



“ A New Sunrise Spray was purchased for the family of Mrs. Darlene P. Baugus.



June 06, 2016 at 11:41 AM