



## Bonnie Jean Nichols

January 23, 1945 - April 2, 2012

Rosary services 7:00 p.m. Thursday April 12, 2012 at St. Joseph's Catholic Church. Memorial mass will be at 11:00 a.m. Friday, April 13, 2012 at St. Joseph's Catholic Church in Geneva. Private family graveside services at the Geneva Public Cemetery.

Bonnie Jean Nichols was born on January 23, 1945 in Geneva, Nebraska to Helen (Turek) and Leslie Shuster. She passed away on April 2, 2012 at her home in Lincoln, Nebraska at the age of 67. She was one of two daughters born in the family.

Bonnie was baptized at St. Joseph's Catholic Church in Geneva. She also received the sacraments of reconciliation, communion and confirmation at St. Joseph's Catholic Church. She attended Kindergarten at Geneva Public School, then went to St. Joseph's Catholic Elementary School graduating from the eighth grade. Bonnie attended and graduated from Geneva Public High School with the class of 1962. She would have attended and celebrated her 50 year class reunion in May. She attended the University of Nebraska.

Bonnie was married to Larry Nichols and to this union two daughters were born, Sheri and Deborah. The family moved to Lincoln where Bonnie was employed in the Claims Department at State Farm Insurance. She also worked at other jobs. After her retirement Bonnie spent time volunteering and taking care of her home. She loved being outdoors and taking part in outdoor activities. She always planted flowers in the spring. She loved her neighborhood. Neighbors, Heather, John, Marty, Nick and Colin were always

watching out for her and enjoying her company. She always looked forward to going to the State Fair in the fall. Bonnie became very involved in Birthright and St. Mary's Catholic Church in Lincoln where she served as an usher at the Saturday evening mass. She was always at mass and willing to help do whatever needed to be done.

Bonnie is preceded in death by her parents, Les and Helen Shuster. Bonnie is survived by her daughters, Sheri and son-in-law Mike Martin of Wichita, Kansas; and Deborah Nichols and son-in-law Michael Peacock of San Francisco, California; and grandson Derek Nichols of Wichita, Kansas. Also surviving is her sister, Donna and brother-in-law Bruce Nedrow, and nieces, nephews and cousins.

A memorial funeral mass was held at St. Joseph's Catholic Church in Geneva on Friday, April 13th with Father Thomas Walsh and Father Doug Dietrich officiating. Lori Rasmussen accompanied the Congregation in singing "You Are Near", "Hear I Am Lord" and "Amazing Grace" Sara Schram led the singing and sang "I Am the Bread of Life"

Bonnie was interred at the Geneva Public Cemetary next to her parents, Helen and Leslie Shuster in a private family commital of ashes.

Farmer and Son Funeral Home was in charge of arrangements. Memorials are directed to the Family.

# Tribute Wall

SF

“*Sorry to hear about your mother. I would love to talk to you sometime. Think of you all often.*”

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**Shelly Fischer** - April 10, 2012 at 09:33 PM

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“*Dear Sheri, Derek, & Debbie You have been in my thoughts & prayers since I read about your Mom. I am sorry that we have lost track over the years. I would love to see the 3 of you. God's blessings to you.*”

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**Nancy Searcey Olson** - April 10, 2012 at 08:59 PM

VW

“*Sherry and Debbie, we are so sorry to hear about your mother. Our deepest sympathy.*”

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**Vicki & Bob West** - April 10, 2012 at 07:15 PM

PS

“*To Bonnie's family;  
I was a member of the Class of 62' and remember Bonnie when she came to public school for high school. Please know that you are all in my thoughts and prayers.  
God Bless each of you.  
Pam (Clark) Schroeder*”

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**Pam (Clark) Schroeder** - April 10, 2012 at 04:19 PM

KB

“ I knew Bonnie when I was still @ ST. Mary @ Lincoln. Before I was robbed 4 years ago. My prayers go out to you all. Karen Becker.  
P.S. She left us same day, 7 years after Pope John Paul II died.

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**Karen Becker** - April 10, 2012 at 02:16 PM

SS

“ + We at St. Mary's Church in Lincoln will miss Bonnie who seated people and took up the collection at our 4:00 p.m. Saturday Masses. She was always so pleasant, caring, and helpful. May Bonnie now rejoice in the embrace of the One who held her all her life long. May you know His peace. Sister Mary, RSM

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**Sister Mary Schroer** - April 10, 2012 at 08:56 AM

JP

“ Sorry to hear of your loss.  
I had the privelage of working with Bonnie in claims. She always had a smile and kind word.  
May you find comfort in your memories.

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**Josefa Parra** - April 10, 2012 at 08:30 AM

CP

“ Sheri, I am so sorry for the loss of your mother. Shelly and I have been trying to track you down for quite some time. Please respond at my email address if you read this. My thoughts and prayers are with you all.

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**Connie Peterson** - April 09, 2012 at 05:08 PM

CR

“ I just visited with Bonnie on the phone a couple of weeks ago. Always ready to go, she wanted to know if there were any petition drives coming up so she could get started. She had more energy and enthusiasm than people half her age. I am so glad that she called that evening because we had a very nice visit. We worked together on petitions for many years. She will be missed especially in front of the DMV.

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**Chris Rudder** - April 09, 2012 at 02:21 PM

RJ

“ Hi Sheri and Debbie, We have thought of you two often through the years and hope your lives are going well. Boys are 39 and 35, so both of you must be older! We are sorry for your loss. Randy and Sue

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**Randy & Sue Jeffrey** - April 09, 2012 at 02:13 PM

SB

“ You will be missed by many Bonnie, you left a special place in our hearts. Rest in peace.

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**Sarah Bell** - April 05, 2012 at 12:06 PM