



Donna Badini

January 19, 1931 - January 19, 2007

KINGSFORD - Donna M. Badini, 76, of 1705 Long Ave. in Kingsford, died Friday, Jan. 19, 2007, at ManorCare Health Services in Kingsford.

She was born on Nov. 30, 1930, in Twin Falls, the daughter of the late Edward and Valeria (Weiser) Tousignant.

Donna graduated in 1948 from Kingsford High School.

She owned Etc. Bridal Shop in Kingsford, making bridal bouquets, renting tuxedos, and selling dresses. She enjoyed flower gardening, making silk flower arrangements, jigsaw puzzles, and going to the casino.

She married Victor Badini on Nov. 24, 1972 in Deerfield, Ill.

Donna is survived by her husband Victor; a stepson Daniel (Merrill) Badini of Gurnee, Ill.; three stepdaughters, Helen (Raymond) Taraszka and Barbara Carroll, both of Elmwood Park, Ill., and Victoria Besenhofer of Hanover Park, Ill.; a sister, Joyce Manko of Iron Mountain; nine grandchildren; and many nieces and nephews.

She was preceded in death by three brothers, Lawrence, Bernard, and Edward Tousignant and a sister, Kathleen Magray.

At Donna's request, private family services will be held. Rev. David Anderson will officiate.

Burial will be at Cemetery Park.

In lieu of flowers, memorials may be made to the American Cancer Society.

Condolences may be expressed to the family of Donna M. Badini online at www.tondinfuneralhome.com

The Tondin-Ross and Freeman Funeral Home is assisting the family with arrangements.

Tribute Wall

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“ *My thoughts and prayers are with you all today. I don't remember Donna Mae when I lived in Michigan as a little girl. Many years passed by before I had the chance to visit my mothers side of the family. I was 18 then. And what I remember from that was a whole lot of Fun, Joy and Laughter. I never wanted to leave! Donna Mae was so nice and always has a smile on her face. I will always have happy memories of her. And she will always be in my thoughts.*

Tammy Garner - January 24, 2007 at 12:00 AM

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“ *Because of her my life has been so much richer. She was my Father's youngest sister, and my Aunt, but much more was a friend and mentor. She will be missed more than words can describe, and undoubtedly will be watching over us with the same positive attitude and spirit she always had in life. She will long be remembered in our prayers.*

Larry Tousignant - January 22, 2007 at 12:00 AM

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“ *yes she had a wonderful smile and laugh, and even though we didn't get to spend much time with her, she seemed a perfect match for our Uncle Vic. what a love story! I know she will be missed by the people closest to her.*

Sheri Angeli Pouncey - January 22, 2007 at 12:00 AM

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“ to all the Badini family. It was always a joy to go to visit Vic and Donna whenever we came up North.. The last time was 2 years ago and we all went to eat and later sat in their beautiful yard. Donna always had a great smile. We now have another angel in heaven. I remember when we were all in High school and Donna was dating Vic. Glad she became a family member.... Wish I was closer Vic, Dan Helen, Barb and Victoria. but we are all thinking of you God Bless you Love you... Marcella

Marcella (Badini)Angeli - January 22, 2007 at 12:00 AM

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“ *My thoughts and prayers are with you during this difficult time.*

I'm torn between honoring Donna Mae's wishes and wanting to come home to see her one last time. My heart says "go" while my mind says "remember her as she was the last time you saw her." It was summertime and she was tending her flowers or relaxing outside in the shade on her lawn chair listening to the birds.

I truly believe I would not be the person I am today without Donna Mae, my dear Aunt and close friend.

As a child I remember visiting her in the summertime when she lived in Chicago. How exciting it was to take the train from Iron Mountain to Chicago. I would spend weeks with her and we would shop and eat out in restaurants - all the things I didn't get to do at home in Michigan.

As a young adult, when my financing fell through in college and I had no where to go, she invited me stay with her in Chicago where I got a start on my career. We loved to eat out and didn't cook much at home, but I remember one of our specialties was deep fried mushrooms. They were so good! To this day, whenever I eat them I think of her.

As I got older, visits home to Iron Mountain and the lake were always a treat and so relaxing.

I know that she is resting in peace after her long series of illnesses and she is in good company with her parents, brothers and sister (my Mom) that have passed before her. I will never forget her!

All my love.

Tina Nelson - January 22, 2007 at 12:00 AM

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“ *What a sad moment . . . to hear of Donna's passing. I have many wonderful thoughts of Donna Mae, (my aunt) -- she was such a nice person, always friendly and welcoming, and full of fun. I can still hear her laugh. Please accept my prayers and sympathy during this sad time.*

Jan (Tousignant) Joiner - January 21, 2007 at 12:00 AM