



Simone V. (Jacques) Berndt

June 14, 1925 - April 26, 2020

FITCHBURG: Simone V (Jacques) Berndt, 94, passed away peacefully on Sunday, April 26, 2020. She had been happily married for 63 years to Francis E. Berndt who passed away in November 2011.

Simone was born on June 14, 1925 in Fitchburg where she lived the majority of her life. She was the daughter of Eugene and Claudia (Simard) Jacques.

Simone was a member of St. Joseph's Church in Fitchburg as well as its Ladies of St. Anne.

She was a 1943 graduate of St. Bernard's Central Catholic High School. All her life she was a competitive athlete. She belonged to a Women's Candle Pin Bowling League and to the Westminster Country Club where she was the Women's League Golf Champion in 1986 as well as twice scoring holes in one.

Simone attended and loved to watch her grandchildren's concerts, plays and sporting events. She also enjoyed her nightly card games with her friends at the Bella Vista Condominiums.

At the age of 90, she moved to the Eisenberg Assisted Living Residence in Worcester to be closer to her family. She loved being Memere to her 5

grandchildren, 5 great-grandchildren and close family friends.

Simone leaves her three children: her daughter Donna C. Theirrien, of Oxford; her sons Bishop Wayne F. Berndt OFM Cap. of Okinawa Japan, and Bruce E Berndt of Rutland; her five grandchildren: Michelle Ferrari and her husband Michael of East Hartland, CT; Brian Theirrien and his wife Rebecca of Newton, NH; Derek F Berndt of Chicago, IL; Melissa S. Berndt of Brighton; and Samantha M Berndt of Rutland; her five great-grandchildren: Soleigh, Corinne, Rafael, Evan, and Chloe and many nieces and nephews. She also leaves her brother in law, Robert Berndt of Tewksbury; and two sisters in law, Claire Jacques of Ashburnham and Claire Stockbridge of Plymouth Meeting, PA.

Simone was predeceased by her son in law, Robert J. Theirrien of North Oxford; her daughter in law, Sharon (Marchand) Berndt of Rutland; her sisters and brothers: Loretta Cote, Stella Gage, Eugene Jacques, Gloria Jacques, Albert Jacques, and Theresa Lagasse; and her brother in law, Emil Berndt.

The family is thankful for the love and care Simone received from the staff during the 4 plus years at the Eisenberg Assisted Living Residence especially from the staff on the Keepsake Unit. We would also like to thank the JHC Hospice team and the Jewish Healthcare Center staff who cared for her during her final days.

Due to current restrictions, a memorial service and internment will be held at a later date. In lieu of flowers, a memorial donation may be made to "The Eisenberg Assisted Living Employee Fund", Eisenberg Assisted Living Residence, 631 Salisbury St. Worcester, MA 01609.

The Isabelle & Anderson Funeral Home, 316 Clarendon Street, Fitchburg is assisting the family with arrangements. For additional information or to leave

an on line condolence, please visit their website at www.andersonfuneral.com.

Cemetery Details

St. Joseph's Cemetery

Fitchburg, MA

Events

Details are pending.

Tribute Wall

MB

“ Dear Donna

*I am so sad to read of your beautiful Mom's passing. I golfed with her and your Dad at Westminster
I notified her dear friend, Helen Vandermark, in California who is 99 years and is in a assisted living manor according to her daughter Pat Travers who lived next door to her
My prayers are with you and your family.
Sincerely*

*Marie Bedard
Fitchburg, Ma*

marie bedard - May 05, 2020 at 01:46 PM

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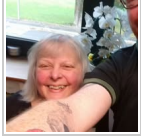
“ To Donna ,Wayne and Bruce, so sorry for the loss of your mom. Your mom and dad were very special. I am sure they are happy to be together again. May the many beautiful memories you have of them ease your sadness .

Sandra J (Gage) Labree - May 03, 2020 at 08:51 PM

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“ Dear Donna, Bruce, and Wayne, My sympathy on the passing of your fine mother. She was a sterling woman , of common sense character and deep faith. I remember her well from St. Joseph's,Fitchburg,she was a real 'Cleghorn Girl' then at the death of your dad and then at the Eisenburg. Happy memories. May she celebrate an Eternal Easter. Peace Fr. Richard F. Trainor

Richard Trainor - May 03, 2020 at 12:54 PM



“ Karen Egerton-Read lit a candle in memory of Simone V. (Jacques) Berndt



Karen Egerton-Read - May 03, 2020 at 12:07 PM

JS

“ My love to you, Simone, my “Maman Dieuxieme,” always so gracious, welcoming, smart, and with a great sense of humor; and to Donna, and Wayne, and Bruce: may you know the peace of mind and heart that would be wished for you by your Mom, and your Dad who surely would be greeting her with his shiney eyes and smile. What a legacy your family has, and continues! Blessings and condolences be yours in this sad and strange time. May your heritage of faith, hope and love lift you up.



Jack Siciliano - April 29, 2020 at 09:41 PM

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Dear Donna, Bruce and Wayne, our sincere condolences go out to all of you during this most difficult time. Simone was such a special friend to so many; such a sweet beautiful soul. Her memory and friendship will be forever in my heart. It was a privilege and an honor to have her as such a dear friend. Everyday she would go out of her way to say "Thank you for everything you did for me today" and she would blow a kiss. God bless you sweet Simone 🙏❤️ And God bless your beautiful family.

Sandy Piwowarski

Sandra Piwowarski - April 29, 2020 at 10:04 PM



Dear Donna & family, we are so very sorry for the loss of your Mom. May you find peace in knowing she is resting in the arms of our Heavenly Father. Sending our love & keeping you & your family in our thoughts & prayers. God Bless.

Kathleen Warren - April 30, 2020 at 07:33 AM

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*“ During my visits on Beech St, when we were much younger... Sim, always the gracious host... Offered beer and a shot to help us all relax. I have great memories of the living room, the kitchen, and the pool... And of the great hostess!
My love and prayers are with you all.*

Dennis J O'Rourke - April 27, 2020 at 03:24 PM