



Joan Aline Bidell

September 14, 1927 - July 9, 2015

Joan A. Bidell, age 87, of Royal Oak, passed away July 9, 2015. She was born September 14, 1927 in Buffalo, NY to the late Herbert and Anne Gunning. Prior to becoming a full-time homemaker, Joan was an executive secretary and had security clearance to work on the Manhattan Project. She loved being a mom and was proud of her children and grandchildren. She was also proud of achieving Life Master status as a contract bridge player. Her love of the game and competitive spirit were well-known to her friends and family. Joan was the loving mother of Barbara (Charles) Watkins, Donald Bidell, and the late Lawrence Bidell; and proud grandmother of Olivia, Michael, and Nora Watkins and Spencer Bidell. Memorial visitation Friday, July 31, 2015 from 11:30 a.m. until the time of Mass 12 noon at the Shrine of the Little Flower Basilica, Royal Oak. In lieu of flowers, memorials to the American Lung Association are appreciated. Share your memories at www.sullivanfuneraldirectors.com.

Previous Events

Memorial Mass

JUL 31. 12:00 PM (ET)

National Shrine of the Little Flower Basilica
2100 W. 12 Mile Road
Royal Oak, MI 48073

Tribute Wall

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“ We send our sympathies to Barb and Chuck, Nora, Mike and Livvie and to Barbara's brother and his son. We spent many lovely times with Joan in Oak Park and listened to her play the piano. We know she will be dearly missed by her family

Jane McAtee and Joe Sjostrom

Jane McAtee - July 29, 2015 at 12:00 PM

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“ I will always remember Joan as the leader of the Christmas carols at the family Christmas gatherings. Playing the piano and singing... thanks,Joan, for the nice memory.

carol - July 13, 2015 at 08:13 PM

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“ My deepest sympathies in the passing of Aunt Joan, so many memories from my childhood. Hugs to the family.

Michelle Foster (Woods)

Michelle Foster - July 11, 2015 at 05:18 PM