



Phyllis Jean "PJ" Sondag

October 3, 1934 - December 2, 2020

Phyllis Jean "PJ" Sondag, 86, of Manito, passed away at 9:45 p.m., on Wednesday, December 2, 2020, at OSF-St. Francis Medical Center in Peoria. She was born October 3, 1934, in Bordulac, North Dakota, to Ferd and Rachel (Partlow) Bauer. She married Joseph B. Sondag on February 5, 1952, in Sykeston, North Dakota. He survives.

Mrs. Sondag is survived by her husband, Joseph, of Manito; nine children: Sherry Hoffman of Manito, Bob (Theresa) Sondag of Manito, Ron (Ray) Sondag of Kansas City, Missouri, Joan (Guy) Mattson of Manito, Patricia Bucholtz of Manito, Jeanne (Joe) Bender of Bloomington, Illinois, Karen (Randy) Himmel of Forest City, Illinois, Julie (Bill) Grant of Manito and Kim (Bryan) Donaldson of Seacaucus, New Jersey; as well as eighteen grandchildren and nine great-grandchildren. Also surviving are one sister: Marlene (Jerry) Schaak of Bismark, North Dakota and two brothers: Bill (Marlys) Bauer of Carrington, North Dakota and Paul (Cheryl) Bauer of Williston, North Dakota. She was preceded in death by her parents, one sister: Delores (Al) Ihringer and one brother: Gary (Marjorie) Bauer.

Mrs. Sondag was a homemaker who stayed busy raising nine kids. She later worked twenty-four years for the US Postal Service, Manito Office. She was a member of Immaculate Conception Catholic Church in Manito, where she was very active in Altar and Rosary Society and all church activities.

PJ helped plan and launch the first Popcorn Festival in Manito. PJ and Joe participated in the Cursillo in Christianity and were involved in the Prison

Ministry for many years. She was a "mom" to all her nine children's friends. Her door was always open to whoever needed a friend or helping hand. Her smile and compassion were her gifts to many.

PJ's strongest attribute was her faith and belief in Jesus. Her faith was evident in all she did and with everyone she met.

The Rosary will be prayed at 2:30 p.m. on Monday, December 7, 2020, at Immaculate Conception Catholic Church, with visitation following from 3:00 until 6:00 p.m. In accordance to current guidelines, masks will be required for all in attendance and social distancing will be followed. Mass of Christian Burial will be held at 10:00 a.m., on Tuesday, December 8, 2020, also at her church. Fr. David Whiteside and Deacon Bob Sondag will officiate. Burial will follow the services at St. Frederick's Cemetery in Manito.

Memorial contributions may be made to Immaculate Conception Building Fund. Online memorial messages may be left for the family at www.hurleyfh.com.

Maas-Hurley Funeral Home in Manito is in charge of arrangements.

Cemetery Details

St. Frederick's Cemetery

498 W. State St.
Manito, IL 61546

Previous Events

Rosary

DEC 7. 2:30 PM (CT)

Immaculate Conception Catholic Church
501 S. Adams St.
Manito, IL 61546

Visitation

DEC 7. 3:00 PM - 6:00 PM (CT)

Immaculate Conception Catholic Church
501 S. Adams St.
Manito, IL 61546

Funeral Mass

DEC 8. 10:00 AM (CT)

Immaculate Conception Catholic Church
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Manito, IL 61546

Tribute Wall



“ *Phyllis Jean "PJ" Sondag*

October 12, 2022 at 03:07 PM



“ *The entire Sondag family is in my prayers and thoughts. Phyllis was such a sweet, loving person who let her love of Jesus shine through to others. She has touched the hearts of so many. Her memory will live on forever. May God provide you with comfort at this time and in the days ahead.*

Rose Kelly



Rose M Kelly - December 18, 2020 at 05:17 PM



“ *I just found out that your family said goodbye to Wife and Mom. You have our thoughts and prayers in this time. We know that the Lord is with your family. I have so many fond memories of Mom as I taught the family. The Sondag family was always so positive and supportive of the Music program at school. I am so emotional as I think back to the many wonderful memories over the years. May the Lord bless you and the family for the blessing given to me and my family. Mr. Moser*

Robert Moser - December 15, 2020 at 03:25 PM



“ *Julie, my sincere condolences to you and your family. Praying for peace and strength in this difficult time.*

Angela Opoku-Agyemang - December 08, 2020 at 10:31 AM



“ *Sweetest Sunrise Bouquet was purchased for the family of Phyllis Jean "PJ" Sondag.*



December 07, 2020 at 12:41 PM



“ *Julie, you and your family are in my heart and my prayers. I'm so terribly sorry to hear of your mother's passing. Sending love to you and yours through this first holiday season. - Monica Baca*

Monica Baca - December 07, 2020 at 10:10 AM



“ *So sorry for the loss of your mother. She always made us feel so welcome at Immaculate Conception; we are all better for having known her. We cannot attend the funeral, but will be praying along with you from home. Peace, Shelly, Jeff & John Zwadlo*

Michelle Zwadlo - December 07, 2020 at 09:58 AM



“ *I'm very sorry to read of your mom's passing Julie. You and your family will be in my prayers. I hope that you are able to find comfort during this sad time. Melissa Plassman*

Melissa Plassman - December 07, 2020 at 08:16 AM



“ Peaceful White Lilies Basket was purchased for the family of Phyllis Jean "PJ" Sondag.



December 06, 2020 at 04:31 PM



“ Peaceful White Lilies Basket was purchased for the family of Phyllis Jean "PJ" Sondag.



December 06, 2020 at 02:21 PM



“ Crystal Cross Bouquet was purchased for the family of Phyllis Jean "PJ" Sondag.



December 06, 2020 at 01:38 PM



“ I will join you from my home tomorrow to pray the rosary. My deepest condolences on the loss of your beautiful mother, my aunt Phyllis.

Sunny Wells - December 06, 2020 at 10:39 AM



“ Beautiful Heart Bouquet was purchased for the family of Phyllis Jean "PJ" Sondag.



December 05, 2020 at 10:04 PM



“ Amy Sondag lit a candle in memory of Phyllis Jean "PJ" Sondag



Amy Sondag - December 05, 2020 at 01:19 PM



“ I am so very sorry for your loss. My thoughts and prayers are with the entire family. She was such a wonderful and loving woman, who always made me feel a part of the family whenever I stayed overnight at the house. She will be missed.

Lisa Lang - December 05, 2020 at 12:21 PM



“ Arrive in Style was purchased for the family of Phyllis Jean "PJ" Sondag.



December 05, 2020 at 09:19 AM

CR

“ *My condolences on the loss of your beautiful wife and mother.*



Cynthia Robinson - December 05, 2020 at 12:36 AM

SG

“ *State Farm Family of Julie Grant purchased the Memories to Treasure for the family of Phyllis Jean "PJ" Sondag.*



State Farm Family of Julie Grant - December 04, 2020 at 10:20 PM

ES

“ *She is one of the few people I have known that I wish I could have grabbed ahold of her shirt tail when she crossed the veil. It would be like a rocket ship ride to Heaven. God Speed Aunt Phyllis, God Speed. Please take a moment to pray for me, after you take the time you deserve to see what God and His Holy Mother look like. Of course the deepest sympathy for the family.....the absolute deepest. I send my Guardian Angel to pray for each of you.*
Ed and Connie Sondag

Ed Sondag - December 04, 2020 at 09:55 PM

SC

“ *Staff of St. John's Catholic Newman Center purchased the Peaceful White Lilies Basket for the family of Phyllis Jean "PJ" Sondag.*



Staff of St. John's Catholic Newman Center - December 04, 2020 at 04:20 PM



“ *Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum was purchased for the family of Phyllis Jean "PJ" Sondag.*



December 04, 2020 at 03:18 PM

CS

“ *Craig & Cindy Schaeffer lit a candle in memory of Phyllis Jean "PJ" Sondag*



Craig & Cindy Schaeffer - December 04, 2020 at 01:01 PM

TJ

“ *The O'Shea Family-Norman, Debbie, Denise, Jim purchased the Strength & Solace Spray for the family of Phyllis Jean "PJ" Sondag.*



The O'Shea Family-Norman, Debbie, Denise, Jim - December 04, 2020 at 11:38 AM

KO

“ Mike
So sorry to hear your mother passed , all my condolences to you
and your family.
Ken O.

Kenneth J Ober - December 04, 2020 at 10:35 AM

LW

“ Lori And Dan Wright lit a candle in memory of
Phyllis Jean "PJ" Sondag



Lori and Dan Wright - December 04, 2020 at 10:27 AM



“ Divine Peace Bouquet was purchased for the
family of Phyllis Jean "PJ" Sondag.



December 04, 2020 at 09:43 AM

LH

“ Larry And Mary Hundt lit a candle in memory
of Phyllis Jean "PJ" Sondag



Larry and Mary Hundt - December 04, 2020 at 09:22 AM

JC

“ Our deepest sympathy to Jeanne and the whole family. Ken & Janice Crosiar

Janice A Crosiar - December 04, 2020 at 07:47 AM



“ Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum was purchased for the family of Phyllis Jean "PJ" Sondag.



December 04, 2020 at 07:45 AM

GH

“ George Henderson sent a virtual gift in memory of Phyllis Jean "PJ" Sondag



George Henderson - December 04, 2020 at 12:44 AM

GH

Dear Joe and Family, my heart is so heavy to night as I think about PJ leaving her mortal body to be with Jesus. I am trying to decide if I should come and say my good byes to her at the Church or stay home and stay protected. from the virus. You know I remember the night I met PJ was at visitation at the funeral home I worked at. that was in January of 1990. I have been so Blessed to have been friends with her the past 30 years.

GOD LOVES THE SONDAG FAMILY AND SO DO !!

George Henderson - December 04, 2020 at 12:58 AM

SS

“ Steve And Kim Singley lit a candle in memory of Phyllis Jean "PJ" Sondag



Steve and Kim Singley - December 03, 2020 at 11:12 PM



“ Full Of Love Bouquet was purchased for the family of Phyllis Jean "PJ" Sondag.



December 03, 2020 at 09:55 PM



“ Peaceful White Lilies Basket was purchased for the family of Phyllis Jean "PJ" Sondag.



December 03, 2020 at 09:23 PM

BS

“ How you will miss your beautiful mother and wife. She is now where her belief has taken her....watching over you all. My beautiful aunt.

Beverly Sondag - December 03, 2020 at 09:18 PM

JL

“ My deepest sympathy to the entire Sondsg family. She was such a lovely lady and will missed by all.



Judy Lacer - December 03, 2020 at 09:05 PM

MB

“ Mae, Debbie, Jeff, Keith and Donna Bucholtz purchased the Joyful Memory for the family of Phyllis Jean "PJ" Sondag.



Mae, Debbie, Jeff, Keith and Donna Bucholtz - December 03, 2020 at 08:38 PM



“ Arrive in Style was purchased for the family of Phyllis Jean "PJ" Sondag.



December 03, 2020 at 07:50 PM



“ Lavender Reflections Spray was purchased for the family of Phyllis Jean "PJ" Sondag.



December 03, 2020 at 06:48 PM



“ *Treasured Lilies Spray was purchased for the family of Phyllis Jean "PJ" Sondag.*



December 03, 2020 at 06:44 PM