



Bonita "Bonnie" Johnston

July 3, 1946 - August 5, 2023

Bonita "Bonnie" Johnston, 77, of East Peoria, passed away on Saturday, August 5, 2023, at Washington Senior Living. She was born on July 3, 1946, in Charleston, IL, to Fred and Jean (Wildman) Strong. She married her husband of nearly 58 years, Donald Johnston, at the East Peoria First United Methodist Church on October 16, 1965; he survives.

Also surviving is her daughter, Donita (Leonard) Rast of Bloomington. She was preceded in death by her infant daughter, Angela and her son, Bryan. Having been an only child, Bonnie established a large "family" of friends, including two bunco groups and countless others she had known since high school. She put great effort into making everyone feel special and being a wonderful friend, wife, and mother.

After moving around as a young child, her parents settled in East Peoria, and she made EP her lifelong community and home. Bonnie graduated from EPCHS in 1964 and attended every reunion, helping to plan most years. She worked in the restaurant at the Morton Auto Auction for many years. Bonnie also volunteered at her children's schools, for many community organizations, and was a girl scout leader.

Her absence will be felt by all who knew her and loved her.

Cremation rites have been accorded. Gary Deiters Funeral Home & Cremation Services in East Peoria is assisting the family. Bonnie will be laid to rest at Glendale Memorial Gardens, Pekin, Illinois at a later date.

Memorial contributions may be made to a charity of the donor's choice. Online

condolences may be left at www.GaryDeitersFH.com.

Cemetery Details

Glendale Memorial Gardens

18119 Illinois Route 9
Pekin, IL

Tribute Wall

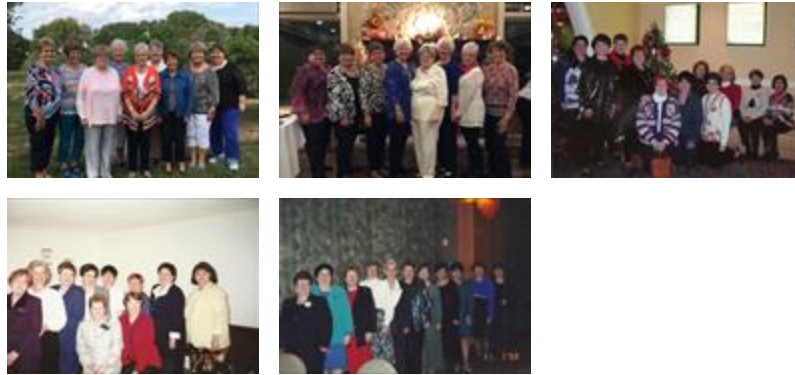


“ *Bonita "Bonnie" Johnston*

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“ *I'm sure going to miss my reunion planning buddy and friend.
You have been a good friend and will be missed.
Soar high with the angels. 💕💕*

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I will miss the many phone calls from Bonnie. She was always there for her friends. I sure will miss that laugh and twinkle in her eyes. 💕

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