



## Lois Barbara Gozdecki

July 23, 1932 - July 18, 2017

Lois B. Gozdecki, 84, of Bourbonnais passed away July 18, 2017 at St. James Hospital, Chicago Heights, IL. She was born July 23, 1932 in Chicago, IL to Theodore and Bernadine (Callahan) Davis. Lois married John S. Gozdecki Aug. 2, 1958 and he passed away October 24, 2004.

Lois received her MSW from UIC, Jane Addams College and later obtained her LCSW. She worked primarily with families in private agencies in Chicago and later operated a private practice in Calumet Park until she retired.

Lois is survived by 2 sons and a daughter-in-law; Todd Gozdecki of Blue Island, IL, David (Linda) Fitzpatrick of Baltimore, Maryland, 5 daughters and 3 sons-in-law; Linda (Tom) Sutrina of Bourbonnais, Jennifer McGowan of Kankakee, Michelle (Michael) Urban of DeMotte, IN, Laura Staecker of Munster, IN and Donna (James) Ortiz of Bourbonnais. Also surviving is a sister, Joan Schneider of Prescott, AZ, a brother, William Ennis of CA, 17 grandchildren and 11 great grandchildren.

She was preceded in death by her parents; Theodore Davis and Bernadine Callahan Ennis, her husband, John, a sister, Eileen Jones and a grandson Jimmy James.

There will be a visitation from 3:00 p.m. to 7:00 p.m. Sunday, July 23, 2017 at the Schreffler Funeral Home, Bourbonnais Chapel. The funeral service will be at 7:00 p.m. Sunday, July 23, 2017 at the Schreffler Funeral Home, Bourbonnais Chapel. Deacon Patrick Skelly will officiate. Burial will be at Abraham Lincoln National Cemetery at a later date.

Memorials may be made to VITAS Hospice or The Salvations Army.

Please sign her online guestbook at [www.schrefflerfuneralhomes.com](http://www.schrefflerfuneralhomes.com).

# Cemetery Details

## Abraham Lincoln National Cemetery

20953 W. Hoff Road  
Elwood, IL 60421  
(815) 423-9958  
<http://www.cem.va.gov/cems/nchp/abrahamlincoln.asp>

# Previous Events

## Visitation

**JUL 23.** 3:00 PM - 7:00 PM (CT)

Schreffler Funeral Home - Bourbonnais Chapel  
1100 N. Convent St.  
Bourbonnais, IL 60914  
(815) 932-2421

## Funeral Service

**JUL 23.** 7:00 PM (CT)

Schreffler Funeral Home - Bourbonnais Chapel  
1100 N. Convent St.  
Bourbonnais, IL 60914  
(815) 932-2421

# Tribute Wall



“ *Lois Barbara Gozdecki*

February 03, 2023 at 04:30 AM



“ *To my Best Friend of my whole Life, I have these words to tell you and I will never forget you but we will meet again someday...*

*If tears could build a Stairway and Memories were a lane, We would walk right up to Heaven and bring you back again No farewell words were spoke No time to say goodbye, You were gone before we knew it And only God knows why Our hearts still ache in sadness and secret tears still flow What it meant to lose you No one can ever know But now we know you want us To mourn for you no more To remember all the happy times Life still has much in store Since you'll never be forgotten We pledge to you Today A hallowed place within our Hearts Is where you will always stay!!!*

*Lois I know you are with John again and my Ray too and someday I will join you all too, God be with us all until that day comes...Much Love & Many Hugs, Norma*

Norma Benck - August 02, 2017 at 11:29 PM



“ *We send sympathy to Lois' entire family. She was a wonderful person with whom we worked together for many years doing family therapy. parent groups, etc., Lois' understanding of family issues and how to resolve problems within a family was inspiring.*

*Her warm smile and wisdom was always extended to the people she worked with and the families she saw in treatment. At the annual staff Christmas party, John, and later on, Donna, celebrated with the rest of the staff....our extended family. We will miss her and remember all she meant and continues to mean to so many of us.*

*Mary and Tom Leo*

Mary and Tom Leo - July 24, 2017 at 08:54 PM

MT

“ Aunt Donna,  
We are so sorry for the loss of your mother.  
She was such a wonderful woman and her memories will  
live on. Please let us know if you need anything.  
Love you,  
Melissa



Melissa Thoman - July 23, 2017 at 12:02 PM

  
Donna  
Ortiz

Thank you for the kind words. I hope you and yours are well. Love you.

Donna Ortiz - July 24, 2017 at 08:36 AM

PA

“ Sending my heartfelt condolences to you and your families. Your mom was a  
great women. I will always remember her infectious personality. She brought  
smiles to everyone's face. She will be missed. God bless all of you.

Pam - July 21, 2017 at 09:50 PM

  
Donna  
Ortiz

Thank you. It was great that you could make it. Love you.

Donna Ortiz - July 24, 2017 at 08:37 AM

SC

“ Donna, Please know that our loving thoughts are with you in these difficult times.  
We send our heartfelt condolences to your entire family. Wishing you comfort in  
memories and the love of those around you to help you through the days ahead.

Sandy and Sam Carrozza - July 20, 2017 at 11:03 AM

  
Donna  
Ortiz

Thank you both for everything. We feel your love.

Donna Ortiz - July 24, 2017 at 08:38 AM



“ Sherry Whitehead lit a candle in memory of Lois Barbara  
Gozdecki

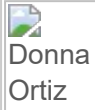


Sherry Whitehead - July 19, 2017 at 09:29 PM



*Donna, Your Mom was a beautiful woman...you look a lot like her. I'm so very sorry for you & your family's loss. I know the sorrow you are going through. I also know that your Mom's suffering is over and she is in a much better place. Words can't express the sorrow we feel when someone loses a loved one...but we can treasure the memories. Sending Big Hugs, Prayers and love to you my friend.*

**Sherry Whitehead** - July 19, 2017 at 09:40 PM



*Thank you Sherri! Love you!*

**Donna Ortiz** - July 20, 2017 at 09:52 AM



“ *Southern Magnolia Tree was purchased for the family of Lois Barbara Gozdecki.*



July 19, 2017 at 12:00 AM



“ *My deepest condolences to you all.mom rests with the lord now where she will dance with the angels and god.love to the family.theresa.*



**Theresa Hoover** - July 18, 2017 at 07:13 PM



*Thank you for the wonderful thoughts and prayers. You are always welcome in our family. Hugs and love back!*

**Donna Ortiz** - July 19, 2017 at 01:56 PM