



Mrs Joan K. Smyrk

July 4, 1937 - June 8, 2014

Joan K. Smyrk, 76, died peacefully June 8, 2014, surrounded by her family in Winter Park. Born July 4th, 1937 in New York, NY, she is pre-deceased by her parents John B. Kirk, Grace P. Kirk, her brother John B. Kirk, and her loving husband Donald W. Smyrk. Her education included The Mary Louis Academy (NY: HS); UCF (FTU) Bachelors Ed.; UCF Masters Ed.. Joan was a career educator with OCPS and retired from Lakemont Elementary in WP. She was an active parishioner at St. Margaret Mary Catholic Church and participated in volunteer & prayer groups with many of her friends.

Joan is survived by her son Donald J. Smyrk, his wife Lana and grandchildren Kaleigh and Will; her son Thomas J. Smyrk, his wife Arlene and grandchildren Victoria, Caroline, and Jackson; her daughter Laurie S. Geving and her husband Mark; her sister Kathy Urso, and many loving family members, friends and former students.

Funeral Mass will be held to celebrate her life on Friday June 13 at 10:00AM at St. Margaret Mary Catholic Church, 526 N. Park Ave., Winter Park, FL 32789 (407-647-3392), followed by burial at Palm Cemetery, 1005 N. New York Ave., Winter Park, FL 32789

Arrangements are entrusted to DeGusipe Funeral Home & Crematory, 9001 N. Orlando Avenue, Maitland, Florida 32751. (407) 695-CARE.

Tribute Wall

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“*Joan and I met in Orlando and soon realized we were bonded by both growing up in close-by neighborhoods in New York. Soon we would enjoy times together with the mutual friend who introduced us. Then I realized I was blessed to know a charming, humorous , giving friend. She lived her faith in God in so many ways. Many people were in her prayers. I know my family was and will not forget the comfort and feeling of being cared for it gave me. My mind visualizes Joan being with her loved ones as she desired and in the arms of the Lord she served here on earth. Joan Tennyson, Orlando*

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“*My favorite teacher! You taught me more than school lessons, you taught me life lessons! You were a HUGE influence in my life! You taught me to love & accept myself when I was a terrified child. Thank you!!! I wish we had gotten together before The Lord called you home! I'll see you in Heaven my friend! I love you!!! Holly*

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