



Bernadette O. Williams

March 21, 1945 - June 7, 2022

After a year-long battle with cancer, Bernadette Ollie Williams, 77, passed away on Tuesday, June 7, 2022 at her home in Houston surrounded by those who loved and cared for her. She conducted her fight with cancer as she lived her life, with quiet determination, courage and a smile.

Bernadette was born in Houston, Texas on March 21, 1945 the fifth of ten children to Adolph and Ethel Stalinsky. Growing up with loving parents and nine other siblings was the foundation for her lifelong love of family.

Bernadette attended Assumption Catholic School, St. Pius High School, Marian High School and Dominican College. She went on to become a registered nurse working primarily in the intensive care unit of Houston's St. Joseph's Hospital. Retiring from nursing to raise a family, she later became an accomplished Psychiatric Mental Health Nurse Practitioner.

She is survived by son Corbett Hood Williams (wife Karen, son Kingston),

daughter Catherine Hood Williams, and eight siblings. She was preceded in death by her parents, her brother James, and her former husband, Charles H. Williams, MD.

But these facts are just the mile markers on her journey through life and don't entirely convey her personality and how her kindness and generosity touched all those around her.

Those markers don't describe how she loved her family and friends with a fierceness tempered with a gentle manner; how she could take you on a conversation ride that would leave you dizzy and breathless; how she was a friend of all animals and the environment, always looking for a way to lessen her impact on the world around her; how she nurtured lifelong relationships; or how she could drive you a bit crazy with her own special way of doing things. These were just some of the traits that made Bernadette the truly loving person she was. And not having her in our lives anymore will lessen us all more than we would like.

Per her wishes, no funeral service will be held, instead a celebration of life will be planned at a later date. We want to particularly thank her caregiver, Janice Campbell, for the professionalism and exemplary compassion she displayed while Bernadette was home on hospice. In lieu of flowers, Bernadette requested that donations be made to K-9 Angels Rescue (http://www.k-9angelsrescue.org/k9ar_m_donate.html). Or you can mail a check to: K-9 Angels, 9415 Winsome Ln, Houston, Tx 77063.

Goodbye Bernadette--dear sister, mother, friend. You will always be in our memories.

Tribute Wall

MH

“ *melissa hender lit a candle I am so sorry for your loss. Bernadette was my therapist/nurse and was 100% dedicated to the profession. She and I grew close together and she provided such support to me in every way. She was honest and so caring and provided me with strength to follow through with legal issues etc... I am saddened, as I was not aware she had cancer but I know she is up in Heaven looking down with a smile, telling all to live life to the fullest with no regrets. Again, my condolences to all of her family members, friends and to all whose life she touched in a special way. I will miss you Bernadette.*



melissa hender - July 18, 2022 at 12:00 AM

SW

“ *Sara Douthett Wood lit a candle Bernadette was a friendly and happy person, and she loved her family, and loved being a psychiatric nurse practitioner. I remember one year she gave me a couple National Geographic books about the national parks, because she knew I loved exploring them. I sent her some decorative cats, because I knew she loved cats and I think she fostered many of them. I will miss talking with her. She made the world a better place.*



Sara Douthett Wood - July 15, 2022 at 12:00 AM

DC

“ *Deborah Collins lit a candle John and I wish to express our heartfelt condolences to Bernadette's family.*
John was a patient of her's over 10 years. She took very good care of him. We will really miss her.
Deborah and John Collins



Deborah Collins - June 27, 2022 at 12:00 AM

VR

“ *Virginia Ramsey lit a candle Bernadette was great nurse. She genuinely cared about others and was down to earth. She will be greatly missed*



Virginia Ramsey - June 23, 2022 at 12:00 AM