



Sandra Carol Jennings

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Sandra C. (Brilley) Jennings was born on April 20, 1941. On July 1, 2025, Sandy's life ended peacefully here with us.

Sandy, a devoted Catholic, graduated from St. Teresa High School in 1959 and remained a proud Bulldog alumna throughout her life.

She married Ron Jennings on September 14, 1973. They shared five children together.

Sandy, always a hard worker, had several occupations on her resume. At the top of the list was Owner of Pickett Fences - a store, located on Decatur's historic Merchant Street, full of crafts handmade by her and her favorite crafters. Sandy eventually retired for the Macon County Health Department.

Sandy enjoyed monthly Bunko and lunches with lifelong friends. Sandy loved to shop, especially at Dollar Tree with a stop at McDonald's for a Diet Coke and a McChicken. She also enjoyed being at home and watching Everybody Loves Raymond every evening.

Sandy was kind, caring, and generous to others, helping where she could. She supported 911 Memorial, Alzheimer's Walk, DOVE Inc, Kiwanne's, Race for the Cure, Salvation Army Angel Tree, The Senior Center, and The Oasis by volunteering, giving donations and offering love.

The most important thing to Sandy was her family. She loved each of them unconditionally and in her own special way. Her love will always be a part of and



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carry on through them. Sandy's last week was filled with love as she brought together her cherished family.

Sandy is survived by daughters Tina Ielase (Tony), Tina Garrett (Doug), Krystal Kracht (Joe), Ashley Petrie (Robert); 12 grandchildren, 16 great-grandchildren; sisters Susie Peck (Jim) and Cel Heinrich (Patrick), brother Bob Brilley, sister-in-law Linda Brilley, brother-in-law Roger Heinrich; two nieces and one nephew.

Sandy was preceded in death by husband Ron Jennings, son Ronnie Jennings, parents Bob and Thelma Brilley, sister Barb Brilley, and brother-in-law Tom Roney.

The visitation (10am) and Funeral Mass (11am) will be held at Holy Family Catholic Church, 2400 S Franklin Street Rd, Decatur, IL, on Friday, July 11, 2025.

A private burial will be held at Macon County Memorial Park.

Memorials may be made to St. Teresa High School.

Sandy and her family would like to thank Dr. Gram, Dr. Kola, Dr. Reid and Helen Kennedy, as well as Imboden Creek Gardens Staff, Traditions Hospice, and Transitions Hospice for their amazing care and support.

Cremation services are being provided by Graceland Fairlawn Funeral Home. Condolences may be shared with the family at <https://www.gracelandfairlawn.com>.



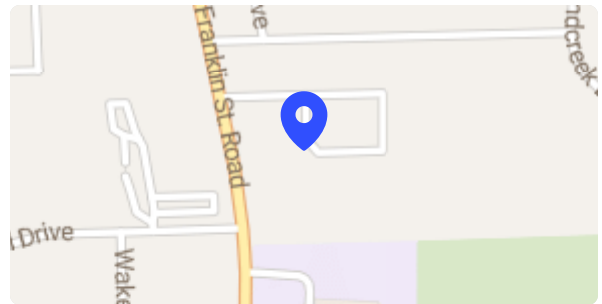
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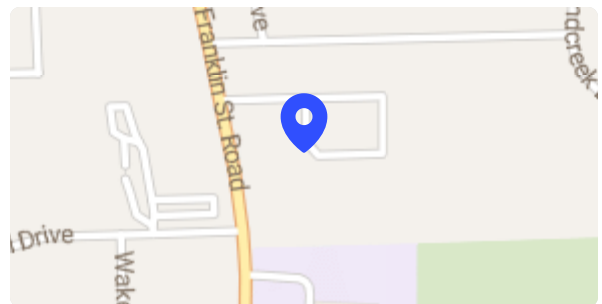
Memorial Visitation

- 📅 **Friday, July 11, 2025**
- 🕒 10:00 AM - 11:00 AM CT
- 📍 **Holy Family Catholic Church**
2400 S. Franklin, Decatur IL 62521



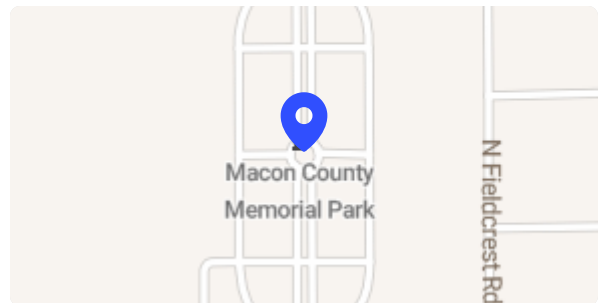
Funeral Mass

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Cemetery Details

- 📍 **Macon County Memorial Park**
5700 W. Main, Decatur IL 62522





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Stephen Boles posted:

Sorry to hear about the loss of Sandy. Many good times at her house. Always welcome and always asked how I was doing. I pray for the entire family! Sincerely Stephen Boles

July 11 at 12:07 PM



Melinda E. planted a Memorial Tree in honor of Sandra.



July 10 at 4:12 PM



Melinda E Sincavage July 10 at 4:30 PM

Love, Melinda and Steve



Love, Michael, Nikki, Canon, Kai & Finn sent an Enchanted Cottage to the Jennings family.



July 9 at 11:41 AM



Love, Michael, Nikki, Canon, Kai & Finn planted a Memorial Tree in honor of Sandra.



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Anonymous sent a Country Basket Blooms to the Jennings family.



July 8 at 2:57 PM



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Gina Perry lit a candle in honor of Sandra.

Sandy was such a sweetheart and devout catholic. I loved spending time with her sitting on the patio talking about bygone days and the silliness we came up with at the condo with Birdie and others. I was very blessed to have her as a friend and will always cherish those very special memories. My thoughts and prayers are with you Bob, Tina, and Krystal. To her sweet sisters as well that she adored spending time with. We were so fortunate to have time with such a gem. Love you Sandy, rest in His arms!



July 2 at 10:05 PM



Shannon Lei posted:

Whenever you walked into Sandy's home, you felt at home. It was like the perfect hug. Cozy, comfortable, warm, calming. Although her decorating and the ambience she created definitely played a big part in it, it was her and the way she loved her family made us feel like family that truly made it feel like home.

July 2 at 9:17 PM



Memories only last if you share them

Join us in honoring Sandra by contributing to a collection of shared memories.



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