



## Bernadette "Bernie" Garding

September 19, 1922 - December 7, 2020

Mass of Christian Burial will be 10:00 a.m. on Friday, December 11, 2020 at St. Boniface Catholic Church in Cold Spring, MN for Bernadette M. Garding age 98, who died Monday, December 7 at Assumption Home. Burial will be in the Sacred Heart Cemetery, Sauk Rapids. Those attending the services must maintain social distancing and wear a mask. The service will be live-streamed at [www.christcatholic.com](http://www.christcatholic.com).

Bernie was born on September 19, 1922 in Cold Spring, MN to Frank and Magdalena (Schreifels) Theis. She married Werner Garding on June 29, 1943 in St. Boniface Catholic Church, Cold Spring. Bernie worked for 26 years at Dr. John Kelly's office and then worked at Willenbring Lickteig and Dahl Law office from 1983 – 2003. She walked to work everyday for 46 years. Bernie was an excellent seamstress and was devoted to her family and work.

She is survived by her children, JoAnn (Vernon) Brisse, Patrick Garding, Gail (Richard) Johnson; grandchildren, William, George, Daniel, Jenette, Marisa, Jesse, Beau; 9 great-grandchildren; siblings, Julie Vossen, Angeline Gohman, Leona Schmal, Delrose Torborg, Renee Buerman, Elroy Theis, Richard Theis and Raymond Theis.

She is preceded in death by her husband, Werner (11/9/54); parents; children, Phyllis, Ronald; grandson, Lucas Johnson; siblings, Gerald, Marie and Irene.

Memorials are preferred.

# Cemetery Details

## Sacred Heart Cemetery

2875 10th Ave NE  
Sauk Rapids, MN 56379

# Previous Events

## Service

DEC 11. 10:00 AM (CT)

St. Boniface Catholic Church  
501 Main Street  
Cold Spring, MN 56320

# Tribute Wall



“ *Bernadette "Bernie" Garding*

January 29, 2023 at 09:26 AM



“ *I have many wonderful memories of Aunt Bernie, especially staying at her home. She was kind and hospitable and patient. No one worked harder than her around the house, I was always impressed by how often she even cleaned her walls. She was skinny, energetic, and quick on her feet, and she could "get the job done"- whatever needed to be done. Our matriarch has passed onto the next world, where she is now united with her husband and children, parents, etc....May God's light shine upon her and give her eternal peace.*

*Kate Podegracz*

**Kate Podegracz** - December 11, 2020 at 02:26 PM



*Thank you, Kate for sharing your personal memories of our mom. Indeed, she washed the walls in her house!!! Luckily, I didn't take that practice with me into my own home!!*

**JoAnn Brisse** - December 12, 2020 at 03:36 PM



*Katie -- remember when we came to comfort you & you're mom after Stan's died -- the ties that bind are strengthen not broken -- as odd as that seems -- thanks for your words of praise 🙌 "mommy" would have blushed but appreciated them all the same*

**Gail Johnson** - December 14, 2020 at 10:54 PM

KA

*JoAnn and Gail, i am sorry I was late to write on the tribute wall, but glad you saw what I wrote. Ha, I don't wash my walls either, and yes, your momsy would have blushed, a very humble woman she was. God bless*

**Kate** - December 21, 2020 at 07:09 PM



“ *Peace, Prayers & Blessings - Pink and White was purchased for the family of Bernadette "Bernie" Garding.*



December 09, 2020 at 03:56 PM

EL

“ *2 files added to the album Memories Album*



**Elaine** - December 08, 2020 at 02:17 PM

JB

*Thank you, Elaine for sharing these wonderful memories of mom, Jerry, Marie and Julie. I especially love the great big laugh Mom seems to be having.*

**JoAnn Brisse** - December 09, 2020 at 02:45 PM

FO

“ Fr. Tom Andert, OSB lit a candle in memory of Bernadette "Bernie" Garding



Fr. Tom Andert, OSB - December 08, 2020 at 10:07 AM

FO

Fond memories of Bernie here at Assumption! Condolences to all the family, especially siblings Julie Vossen, Del Torborg & Elroy Theis. Blessings to all, Fr. Tom

Fr. Tom Andert, OSB - December 08, 2020 at 10:10 AM

SS

Grew up across the street from Bernie and family- Great family! I remember her walking every day ;she along with my mom were the walkers of the block (except my mom didn't drive at all) My sincere sympathy to the family.

Sandy (Vogt) Storms - December 09, 2020 at 11:03 AM

JB

Thank you Fr. Tom and Sandy. I didn't know your mom was a "walker" along with our mom. I love knowing that now.

JoAnn Brisse - December 09, 2020 at 02:49 PM