



Mary F. Schmitz

May 9, 2013

Mary F. Schmitz (Randall), age 56, of Bear Valley, WI passed away Thursday, May 9, 2013 at home surrounded by her loving family after a valiant battle from Pancreatic Cancer. She was born on February 16, 1957 to Raymond and Kathleen (Shackleton) Randall in Mazomanie. On June 19, 1976 she married Hubert "Bert" Schmitz at St. Barnabas in Mazomanie.

She was employed at Schreiber Foods (formerly Dean Foods) in Richland Center. She loved her career and work defined a part of who she was. Her Schreiber family has been a huge support to Mary during her fight.

Mary was a loving wife, sister, and daughter, a dedicated mother, and outstanding grandmother. Her smile and laughter would light up a room. She had a natural ability to be a voice of reason. She was an individual who many people turned to for sound advice and her answers always made sense. She lived life to the fullest and would do anything for anyone.

She was an avid Badger and Packer Fan. She was a wonderful co-worker and friend. She enjoyed being a part of her community by being an active member at St. Luke's Church of Plain, 4-H Club Buena Vista Wonder Workers, Rotary Club out of Richland Center and American Legion Auxiliary Post 437 in Mazomanie.

We would like to extend a heartfelt thank you to Dr. Wermuth and her team at SPMH for their quick detection of this disease. Words cannot describe our gratitude to Dr. Sam Lubner and his nurse Mary at UW Carbone Cancer Center for their knowledge, care and compassion to mom during her

diagnosis and treatments. They were huge fans of Mary and some of her biggest cheerleaders to help keep her encouraged.

She is survived by her husband Bert Schmitz of Bear Valley; their three children Vicki (Bruce) Hying of Dodgeville, Jean (Kial Silvers) of Richland Center, Kevin (fiancé Bethany Parduhn) of Bear Valley; her mother Kathleen Randall of Mazomanie; she had a special place in her heart for her grandchildren: Ava Hying, Kason Hying and Gracie Parduhn; six sisters Raeanne Lacourt, Patty (Dave) Marking, Cathy (Mike) Barman, Cherrise (Todd) Miller, Dawn Randall, Anna Randall; mother-in-law Wynema "Sue" Schmitz of Spring Green; many nieces, nephews and great nephews. She was preceded in death by her father, Raymond Randall; father-in-law Kenneth Schmitz; brother-in-law, Joe Schmitz and a nephew, Jason Randall.

A Mass of Christian Burial will be held on Tuesday, May 14, 2013 at 11:00 AM at St. Luke's Catholic Church in Plain, WI. Father Mike Resop will officiate with burial at St. Killian's Cemetery in Bear Valley. Friends may call on Monday, May 13, 2013 from 4:00 PM to 8:00 PM at the Clary Memorial Funeral Home in Richland Center, WI. Friends may also call on Tuesday at St. Luke's from 10:00 AM until the time of services at 11:00. In lieu of flowers, memorials can be made in Mary's honor to 4PeteSake, P.O. Box 577, Spring Green, WI 53588, UW Carbone Cancer Center: Attn: Katie Arendt, 600 Highland Ave. K4/658, Madison, WI 53792- For Pancreatic Cancer Research OR Pancreatic Cancer Action Network, 1500 Rosecrans Ave. Ste 200, Manhattan Beach CA 90266.

Because Mary was such an avid Badger and Packer fan we would like all visitors to wear Badger attire to the visitation on Monday.

Tribute Wall

CW

“ *My sympathies to the Schmitz family at this time of great sadness.*

Chuck Nelson - Spring Green, WI - May 14, 2013 at 12:00 AM

FW

“ *My thoughts and prayers go out to the family*

Fran Froh - Ferryville, WI - May 14, 2013 at 12:00 AM

CV

“ *Working with Mary over the last three years has been a true joy! I admired her so much, she was so strong and positive. I will always strive to be more like her! I am blessed to have known her.*

Cintas Corporation - Madison, WI - Vendor/Friend - May 14, 2013 at 12:00 AM

PF

“ *I have and will keep many good memories of you, Mary. Blessings to you and your family.*

Pat

Pat Cavanaugh - Middleton, WI - Friend - May 13, 2013 at 12:00 AM

HC

“ *Mary was such a loving person, the voice of reason is one of the best ways to describe her. Her guidance was priceless; I am forever blessed with having her be such a positive influence. May God bless her and her family.*

Heather Schneider - Durand, IL - past coworker - May 13, 2013 at 12:00 AM

AR

“ I'm so sorry to hear of Mary's passing, you and her are in my thoughts and prayers. God speed Mary.

Audrey Kawlewski - South Beloit, IL - Co-worker-Dean Foods Rockford,IL - May 13, 2013 at 12:00 AM

LM

“ Maary was a special lady. We enjoyed her each Christmas when it came time to decorating St Luke's for the holiday. She was great with the lights and had a good eye for placement. Even last year she helped till she tired and needed to go home. We are thankful for all she shared in everything that she did. You can be very proud of all that she accomplished in her short years here on earth. Blessings and peace to all of you.

Linda Paulus - Plain - church member - May 13, 2013 at 12:00 AM

JY

“ Mary...I have so many memories. We spent alot of time making brownies together, blackberry muffins...riding ponies...swimming. Dreaming of our futures. You were my maid of honor in my wedding 38 years ago. We were in your wedding 37 years ago. Heather was born the next day. Lived by eachother in trailor park in Spring Green. Camping in Governor Dodge State Park. Trips with my family when we were in high school. You had so much energy, so organized, so driven and smart. A family that adored you and so many friends.
I enjoyed spending time with your family when we were growing up. The little weiner dogs. Your dad teasing me. Your mom has always been great. Kathleen is a good friend. Not fair, I planned on us getting old together, sitting on my back porch talking about life and just chatting. I love you Mary, you were a good friend.

Janis and Jeff Larsen - Arena, WI - friend for 43 years - May 12, 2013 at 12:00 AM

SN

“ Aunt Mary was the strong and steady calming influence on this family. We miss her so much already. My sister called her "our rock" and she was right. It is neat to see what others post about my aunt Mary because she meant so much to so many people.

Stephanie Barman - Madison, WI - niece - May 12, 2013 at 12:00 AM

HF

“ Mary was Human Resource person, when I worked at KTI, always so very helpful, we had some good times at the Relay for Life walks. Sending my sympathy to family. She will be missed.

Harriet Jewell - Richland Center Wi, WI - friend - May 11, 2013 at 12:00 AM

GC

“ I have many fond memories of work with Mary in Richland Center, she was great person and will be missed. Prayers to the ones she leaves behind she loved her family

Greg and Rhonda Silbaugh - White Bear Lake, MN - Co-worker - May 10, 2013 at 12:00 AM

CC

“ Mary - They don't make them like her anymore. Her infectious laughter and cheerful nature has always brought joy to everyone's lives. We know you miss her terribly, and we miss her just as much. We will continue to honor her memory and have you in all our prayers. Please remember us if you need anything. You are not alone. We are with you.

Thank you for sharing your Mom/Sister and Wife with us for many years. We are all so honored at Schreiber West to have been given the times she has shared individually with us. Her HR door was always open. Thank you for letting me share my love with Mary and all of you the other evening. It meant the world to me. Love to all.

Cindy Hackett - Richland Center, WI - Co-worker/family/friend - May 10, 2013 at 12:00 AM

TF

“ Mary was such an energetic, fun loving woman. I loved her spirits! She really loved those Badgers...she was always so excited about seeing the play. She was so strong. I am really going to miss Mary....Prayers being sent to all

TAMMIE WHEELLOCK - Richland Center, WI - friend - May 10, 2013 at 12:00 AM

EC

“ You were an amazing woman in all aspects of life. Our thoughts and prayers are with your family. You will be missed by so many.

Eric and Cari Rickman - White Bear Lake, MN - CoWorker - May 10, 2013 at 12:00 AM

KC

“ *Mary was an awesome person to work with. Enjoyed just sitting and talking when we got a chance. Our thoughts and prayers go out to the family during this time.*

Karen Thompson - Richland Center, WI - Co-worker - May 10, 2013 at 12:00 AM

BF

“ *Mary and Burt have been friends of ours for over 20 years. We did camping, fishing, boating, card playing and many other things thru the years. Mary was always so upbeat about things and we always had such a good time. We will truly miss her alot and we will never forget her.*

BILL AND MINNIE GAUGER - ARENA, WI - GOOD FRIENDS - May 10, 2013 at 12:00 AM