Dianna Kay Russell

November 16, 1947 - November 18, 2018

Dianna Russell, 71, of Vergennes passed away Sunday, November 18, 2018 in Manor Court of Carbondale.

She was born November 16, 1947, to Charles and Alyne (Miller) Bonds in Carbondale.

On February 18, 1970, she married Michael Russell in Honolulu, HI.

She graduated from Carbondale Community High School in 1965. She had attended SIU for 2 years and worked for SIU from 1967 to 1974. She then worked for State Farm Fred Black agency. Years later, she worked at the Country Store in Vergennes as the manager and then she became a school aide for the Elverado School District. She loved watching Nascar and attending her granddaughters' sporting events.

Dianna is survived by her husband, Mike Russell of Vergennes; a son, David (Kristin) Russell of Carterville; granddaughters, Callie and Olivia Russell of Carterville; numerous cousins and a very special friend, Emily Wisely
She is preceded in death by her parents.

Funeral Services for Dianna Russell will be Saturday, November 24, 2018, at 1:00 pm in Crain Pleasant Grove-Murdale Funeral Home with Bro. Ron Kreid

officiating. Interment will follow at the Parrish Cemetery in Vergennes.

Visitation will be from 11:00 am until the hour of the service at the funeral home.

Memorials can be made to the St. Francis Animal Shelter and will be accepted at the funeral home.

Cemetery Details

Parrish Cemetery

Vergennes, IL

Previous Events

Visitation

NOV **24**. 11:00 AM - 1:00 PM (CT)

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Tribute Wall

Dianna Kay Russell

October 23, 2023 at 06:26 AM

RL

Sorry for your loss David.
Rich Lentz and family.

Rich Lentz - November 24, 2018 at 01:11 PM

PB

Dianna was the most thoughtful lady, she was at one time my boss, also a great friend, I went to many Christmas parties at her home which was a blast, we always had the best of times, she will be missed by many, but she is no longer suffering, Rip my Friend, I will miss you, Love you , your friend Patty !

patty buser - November 23, 2018 at 07:54 PM

Beautiful in Blue was purchased for the family of Dianna Kay Russell.

November 23, 2018 at 01:05 PM

TF

Tina Stytz and Family purchased the Medium Dish Garden for the family of Dianna Kay Russell.

Tina Stytz and Family - November 20, 2018 at 12:41 PM

DS

Mike, David, and family, This is Donna Sherman, I just saw Dianna's Obituary and was so shocked. I am so sorry for your loss. It's hard to believe she is gone. We had some great times together and shared many of the same concepts for Life. She was a wonderful asset to our little community of Vergennes, and will be terribly missed by so many. I know she loved you, Mike, with a passion that many of us envied, and was always kidding her about her seeing something in you that, obviously, you kept hidden from your home-town buddies. Just Kidding, Buddy. I always admired your wiry defiance of civility, and wondered what your secret was behind that smirky grin. David, I know how proud your mom was of you, and how much she tried to pamper you, but I also know you accepted it with a grace that honors your endurance. I'm sure she was very proud of your adulthood and assumed she was responsible, but we all knew she was just blessed with a great son. I'm sure your clothes are clean and your socks are matched, and will remain so because of who you are and always was. She loved you to the moon and back and back again. I'm so sorry for your loss, but I'm so happy to have known your mom. I'm living in an Assisted Living facility in Scott City, Mo., since having had back surgery that left me old and feeble, but still feisty. If you are ever up this way, please look me up, It will make a JOY that will last me for a long, long time. Take care, and know your mom was very proud of you, and so am I. Love you, and Mike, and your new family by extension. Take care, Buddy, Donna

Donna Sherman - November 20, 2018 at 08:46 AM

HA

David, Mike, and family...
I will always remember Illinois summers at your house and Aunt Alyene's...sitting around, drinking Coke, and laughing. Lots of laughing.
Love to all...
Holly

Holly Andrews - November 19, 2018 at 09:32 PM

JA

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Janet - November 19, 2018 at 08:57 PM

JA

It was like Kay was a sister instead of niece due our age difference. We had lots of fun and remember our times together. Rest in peace Kay. You were brave in your journey through this life. Love to Mike, David and family,

Janet Andrews - November 19, 2018 at 11:45 PM

FE

Dianna you were so much fun to be around. You, Barb and I have so many good memories.Rest in peace,you will forever be in my heart.

Faye Ebersohl - November 19, 2018 at 07:15 PM

TM

Dearest kay you have always been in my heart. Gave great advice, complimented me so much. We had many fun times at your house every summer. I always looked forward to every summer. I hope that you are happy now that your not in pain. Have fun reconnecting with your mom and our aunts. Look for my dad tell him I love and miss him. I will always love and miss you. RIP

Tracy mcnew - November 19, 2018 at 07:08 PM

MM

My niece who was like my sister,how I am going to miss you but I have so many wonderful memories of all our time together. We laughed, cried and had a lot of fun.I really hope you are happy and no pain. I love you and will miss you so much. You will always be b in my heart.

Marlene Joanne McNew - November 19, 2018 at 06:50 PM

dear cousin, as long as I can remember, you always had a smile on your face, whether at a race track or your moms or during the Christmas madness at your place, there was that smile. that is what I will keep, you were more an Aunt than my cousin. you can rest now, love you William McNew

William McNew - November 19, 2018 at 05:25 PM

Divine Peace Bouquet was purchased for the family of Dianna Kay Russell.

November 19, 2018 at 04:25 PM