



## Colleen A. (Smith) Badger

February 2, 1960 - April 23, 2009

Mrs. Colleen A. (Smith) Badger, age 49, of Utica, passed away on Thursday, April 23, 2009 at the Faxton-St. Luke's Healthcare Center with the love and support of her family by her side.

Born in Utica on February 2, 1960, Colleen was the daughter of the late William M. and Eleanor (Woolheater) Smith. Raised and educated locally, she was a graduate of Utica Free Academy. On April 8, 1978 she wed Kevin P. Badger with whom she shared 31 years. Their relationship was characterized by family and admiration for one another.

Colleen held various positions with several local dry cleaning establishments including Progressive Cleaners for 18 years, and Berger's Cleaners until her recent illness. Graced with a loving and caring heart, she merited the reputation of always putting the needs of others before her own. She was held high in the hearts of her children who respected, honored, and appreciated all that she did. She was especially proud of her ability to have been a loving wife, a good mother to her children, and a fun-loving grandmother who treasured her time with them. As a hobby, she collected ducks which were varied and vast. During her spare time, she enjoyed bowling and making homemade candy.

Colleen is survived by her husband, Kevin; her daughters and sons-in-law, Kimberly C. and Dominick Meyers of N. Utica, and Jacquelyn M. and Matthew Montrose of NY Mills; her son, Kevin P. Badger, Jr.; her grandchildren, C.J., Tessa and Autumn; and Makayla; and her step-mother, Barbara M. Smith.

Survivors also include her sisters and brothers-in-law, Debra and Joe Reed, and Tracy and Todd Badger; her brothers and sisters-in-law, George and Jessica Smith, David Smith, Thomas and Michelle Smith, and William M. and Cristy Smith; several nieces, nephews, great-nieces, great-nephews, and cousins; her mother-in-law, Bertha E. Badger; and her in-laws, Susan Lineback, Denise Gleba and fiancé Charles Grizzard, and Mark Badger. Colleen also leaves her friend, Jennifer Badger and children, with whom she shared a great closeness and true friendship. She was predeceased by her father-in-law, Gerald "Jerry" Badger; and her brothers-in-law, David Badger, and Daniel G. Badger.

The family is grateful to the staff of the 6th floor at the Faxton-St. Luke's Healthcare Center, especially Mandy Aiken, R.N., a most compassionate and loving person who cared for Colleen and her family.

Visitation will be held Saturday (today) from 1:00-3:00 at the Eannace Funeral Home, Inc., 932 South St., corner of Hammond Ave. Relatives and friends are respectfully invited to attend Colleen's funeral service and Celebration of Life which will commence on Saturday afternoon at 3:00 at the funeral home immediately upon conclusion of visitation with Msgr. Francis Willenburg officiating. Interment will take place in St. Agnes Cemetery at the convenience of the family.

# Tribute Wall



“ Eannace Funeral Home created a Tribute Video in memory of Colleen A. (Smith) Badger



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Eannace Funeral Home, Inc. - April 23, 2009 at 12:00 AM



“ Kevin,

*I am so sorry for the loss of your wife Colleen.*

*I hope the comfort of your family and friend help you through this difficult time.*

*Thank you for all the support you have given to me and my family with help of Leona's cafe and the losses of both my sister Cheryl Hertel Ballard and Leona Ballard. You have been a tremendous friend to our family.*

*If there is anything we can do for you, please let us know.*

*Our thoughts and prayers are with you during this difficult time.##imported-begin##Shirley, Matt, & Madison*

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May 04, 2009 at 12:06 PM



“ To the whole family of Colleen I was so shocked to hear of the loss of Colleen she was a wonderful person. I was away and just happened to catch the obituary on line. So sorry that I was not able to come to the services. Dealing with death at such a young age is not easy. I still think about my brother David everyday, both thier lives were cut so short it's not fair. But we must go on, to everyone in the family keep strong Collen is with us all rest in peace.##imported-begin##Gary Ollerenshaw##imported-end##

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May 03, 2009 at 07:21 PM



“ To Badger Family:

*I was very sorry to hear about Colleen. I send my sympathy to all of you. God will take care of her know. Sorry I missed the wake I was working.##imported-begin##Joann M Dzwonkowski##imported-end##*

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April 27, 2009 at 08:50 PM



“ Colleen thank you for being my best friend. I don't know what I will do without you. I have a lot of memories that I will cherish. You will never be forgotten. I will always love you.##imported-begin##Jennifer Badger##imported-end##

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April 26, 2009 at 08:51 PM



“ Aunt Colleen you were the best aunt we ever had. We had so much fun when we were together, especially when we danced to Shania Twain in the livingroom. We will cherish the memories that you left behind. We will never forget you. We love you.##imported-begin##Ashley,Melissa and Samantha##imported-end##

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April 26, 2009 at 08:36 PM



“ Jackie and family,  
We are so sorry to hear of your mom's passing. May your memories comfort you, and know that your mom is always watching over you from heaven as she did here on earth. Please call us if there is anything we can do for you.  
With Deepest Synpathy,  
Natalie, Phil, Stefanie and Nicole Beratta##imported-begin##Natalie Beratta##imported-end##

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April 26, 2009 at 09:54 AM



“ Dear Kevin & Children

*I was deeply saddened to learn of Colleen's passing... I wanted to visit today but we read the obituary to late to make the services.. Kevin, my mother loved you, Colleen and the children... Thank you again for coming to see my mother Agnes... She has only been gone four months and I miss her terribly.... Please contact me through email , I would like to have a Mass said for Colleen at our church, Saint Joseph's/Saint Patricks... I don't have your phone number or address but please email me...*

*Colleen and my mother are now in Heaven making cookies and candy...God Bless you and your family...*

*Sincerely*

*Roberta EllisMcMann & Jimmy McMann###imported-begin###Roberta Ellis-McMann###imported-end###*

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April 25, 2009 at 10:31 PM



“ *Many blessings to a lady who fought hard to fight this horrible disease. Be at peace now where there is so pain and suffering. Much love Kim.###imported-begin###melissa###imported-end###*

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April 25, 2009 at 12:59 PM



“ *You were the best Aunt anyone could of asked for! I wish I could of seen you more. Its not fair that you had to be the one to go. I will always miss you and love you so much Love Brit Brat###imported-begin###Brittany###imported-end###*

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April 25, 2009 at 12:28 PM



“ To Entire Badger Family and Children:

*I was so sorry to hear about Colleen she was such a nice person. May God Bless her now and always.##imported-begin##Roseanne McMann Gwilt##imported-end##*

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April 25, 2009 at 11:02 AM



“ I am thankful that I was able to know Aunt Colleen, so amazing and so accepting of everyone. Always there to lend a hand or a shoulder. Thank you for letting me be a part of the entire family, my heart is breaking for each one of you.##imported-begin##Becky ##imported-end##

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April 25, 2009 at 10:01 AM



“ To kevin and family i didnt personally know colleen but i worked with kevin and i know he loved her dearly may you rest in peace and let god open the beautiful gates of heaven.##imported-begin##lisa klein##imported-end##

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April 25, 2009 at 09:20 AM



“ You were a very strong women Colleen! You fought the fight till the very end, my heart goes out to the whole family, i love you all!##imported-begin##Jaime & Family##imported-end##

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April 24, 2009 at 10:11 PM



“ *The best aunt any one can ever ask for!!You will be miss very deeply.... Take carea my baby girl for me!!We love u very much!##imported-begin##Janelle##imported-end##*

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April 24, 2009 at 10:00 PM



“ *YOU WERE SO STRONG MOM.. I LOVE YOU.. THANK YOU FOR ALWAYS BEING THE BEST MOTHER IN THE WORLD AND WORLDS MOST AMAZING GRANDMOTHER...##imported-begin##kim##imported-end##*

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April 24, 2009 at 09:28 PM