



## Lynn Gottfried Bowser

April 27, 1957 - April 28, 2023

Lynn Gottfried Bowser passed away April 28, 2023 surrounded by her loving family at the age of 66. She was born April 27, 1957 in Rochester, NY to the late Leonard and Fay Gottfried. She was the beloved wife of Joseph G Bowser for 40 years. They met in Syracuse, NY in 1979 and spent the following 40+ years building a beautiful life. She is survived by her husband, Joe; her children, Brandon (Chelsea) Bowser, Michael (Kelly) Bowser, Benjamin Bowser and his fiancée Maggie Bierman; and grandchildren, Carter and Austin. Also survived by her loving sister, Cheryl (Alan) Stigler; brothers, Harvey (Linda) Gottfried, Jay Gottfried, and Neil Gottfried (Suzanne Zander); dear sister-in-law, Patricia Gottfried and numerous nieces and nephews.

Lynn graduated from Penfield High School in 1975 and earned a Bachelors Degree in Special Education from Buffalo State University and a Masters Degree in Early Child Education from the University of Hartford. Lynn taught in early education for several years before dedicating herself to her children and was later devoted to her grandchildren. Most days she could be found riding her bike with her beloved or visiting the Public Library with her grandchildren. Lynn was a wonderful, warm, and funny mother, sister, friend, and wife who left us too early.

Friends and family are invited for a public visitation from 4-7 pm on Thursday, May 4, at the Rutherford Funeral Home at Powell, 450 West Olentangy Street,

Powell, OH.

The family will be holding a small, private funeral service.

In lieu of flowers, donations are suggested to the American Heart Association.

# Previous Events

## Visitation

MAY 4. 4:00 PM - 7:00 PM (ET)

Rutherford Funeral Home at Powell  
450 West Olentangy Street  
Powell, OH 43065  
(614) 792-1471  
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<https://www.rutherfordfuneralhomes.com/>

# Tribute Wall



“ *Rutherford Funeral Homes created a Tribute Video in memory of Lynn Gottfried Bowser*



Rutherford Funeral Homes - May 04, 2023 at 09:22 AM



“ *Joe and family, we are deeply saddened to hear of Lynn's passing. Sending our condolences and our heartfelt sympathy to you all. The photos are beautiful. Alan and Tracey Czaplicki*

Tracey Czaplicki - May 08, 2023 at 01:52 PM



“ *Arrive in Style was purchased for the family of Lynn Gottfried Bowser.*



May 04, 2023 at 01:46 PM



“ *Beautiful in Blue was purchased for the family of Lynn Gottfried Bowser.*



May 03, 2023 at 04:46 PM



“ *Arrive in Style was purchased for the family of Lynn Gottfried Bowser.*



May 03, 2023 at 04:29 PM



“ *Cynthia Ballheim purchased the Serene Retreat for the family of Lynn Gottfried Bowser.*



**Cynthia Ballheim** - May 03, 2023 at 12:43 PM



“ *Peaceful White Lilies Basket was purchased for the family of Lynn Gottfried Bowser.*



May 03, 2023 at 11:42 AM



“ *From the Gottfried and Ward Families purchased the Arrive in Style for the family of Lynn Gottfried Bowser.*



**From the Gottfried and Ward Families** - May 03, 2023 at 09:18 AM



“ *Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum was purchased for the family of Lynn Gottfried Bowser.*



May 03, 2023 at 08:20 AM



“ *Serene Retreat was purchased for the family of Lynn Gottfried Bowser.*



May 02, 2023 at 08:29 AM



“ *Florist Choice Bouquet was purchased for the family of Lynn Gottfried Bowser.*



May 02, 2023 at 07:57 AM



“ *Beautiful Heart Bouquet was purchased for the family of Lynn Gottfried Bowser.*



May 01, 2023 at 09:32 PM



“ *Beautiful in Blue was purchased for the family of Lynn Gottfried Bowser.*



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May 01, 2023 at 08:05 PM



“ *Joe and family - We cannot begin to express the sadness we are feeling at the loss of your sweet wife and mother Lynn. Many cherished memories of times spent together including all the “Hershey Proms”. Lynn was the true definition of a virtuous woman – nothing made her happier than spending time with her family and the love and pride she felt for each one of her children and grandchildren was evident in conversations with her. We will be holding you all up in our prayers in the days and weeks ahead.*  
*Scott and Kelly Elisar*

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**Scott and Kelly Elisar** - May 01, 2023 at 02:17 PM



“ *Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum was purchased for the family of Lynn Gottfried Bowser.*



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May 01, 2023 at 11:02 AM

AQ

“ I am heartbroken to hear of Lynn’s passing. She was taken far too soon. Have not seen her for quite a while, but we always exchange cards/ notes at Christmas. Having sons who were close friends since elementary school, we had lots of occasions to talk and visit. Lynn and Joe were always so friendly, fun, and welcoming. I am sorry that I will be visiting my daughter in New Jersey this week and not able to come to the funeral home. Please accept our condolences and know that she will be so sadly missed. Sending hugs and prayers to you all. Ann and Ryan Quinn

Ann Quinn - April 30, 2023 at 09:31 PM

KO

I am sorry to hear of Lynn’s passing. I met her at the Miller reunion and she was so sweet. My prayers go out to the families. Sympathy to all.

Kathy Oakes - May 01, 2023 at 09:00 AM

LS

What a terrible and tragic loss. This beautiful photo of Lynn was taken at my daughter Chelsea and Brandon’s wedding in 2019. Her smile is so full of joy seeing her eldest son so happy marrying the love of his life. Lynn joined us in choosing the wedding dress, reviewing menus and decorations and really enjoyed all the “girlie” wedding details. I came to know and love Lynn and Joe, and their extended family, and totally agreed with Chelsea’s “ I hit the jackpot in the in-law department”.

I am moving to Columbus in just a few weeks to be closer to them and was so looking forward to spending more time with Lynn, talking about books we like, getting advice about local merchants, sharing stories about grandkids, and just enjoying her shining light. I am just heartbroken for her family which was at the center of Lynn’s world. I will truly miss her.

Laura Sharp - May 01, 2023 at 11:23 AM

JB

*I hadn't known Lynn long, but I knew from my daughter Maggie's words, I could not wait to meet her. I also was looking forward to meeting the kind of mom that raised such a kind and loving son, Ben. To say the least, I was not disappointed. I don't think I have ever met a more sincerely nice and kind person. This world has lost a gem and my heart aches for her family. I could not wish for a nicer family for Maggie to join, and I know Lynn was at the center of that. My deepest sympathy to the Bowser family.*

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**Julie Bierman** - May 01, 2023 at 05:49 PM

BB

*Lynn was a wonderful person. Such a beautiful soul! Always so sweet and kind. She loved her family so much and was the perfect wife to my brother Joe. She was the perfect Mom to Brandon, Michael and Ben. Such a wonderful Gramma to Carter and Austin. My deepest sympathies to all.*

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**Brenda Bone** - May 01, 2023 at 08:17 PM

BB

*To Brandon, Michael and Ben. Such wonderful FB posts about your Mom.*

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**Brenda Bone** - May 01, 2023 at 08:19 PM