



## APRIL

The most important event of the month was **the birth of my grandson**

Who was born on April 2<sup>nd</sup> and who they named **Sebastian**  
We got internet pictures from the parents so proud  
& we sent out announcements to our family abroad.

That first week of April I was a lot on the go :  
To therapist & doctor & association board  
I phoned St Louis to **Robert McGuire**,  
In order, on their family to inquire

I saw pictures of China during my visit with **May**  
And went to a party for **Lili & Thérèse's** birthday  
I called **Alex & Sherri** who live in Washington State  
Who were old friends of my cousin Joyce Kellar of late  
I talked to **Ann Eckert** whose son soon to marry  
Grandson to **Doris Peter's**, a friend that I cherish.

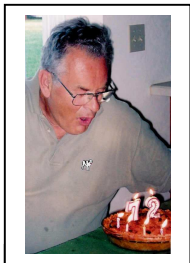
I called some of my sisters : **Jan, Juliet & Louise**,  
Concerning the address book projet & **Mom's** trip to  
Tennessee

For my technical problems they pleaded:  
"Check it out with **Tammy**"

Later I learned that in TN my sister **Laurie**  
At a Mother & Daughter Banquet got honor & glory  
And that Mom & my sisters got to see  
The new house of **Colleen & Charity**



Doris



Hank

## MAY

Sandy & Kathy

« Make an effort » to myself I wrote  
To let others know I am thinking of them  
How can I do this...and when?  
Would their birthday be a good time for a note ?  
A card, a call or even an e-mail ?  
But my will power being so frail  
A thought or a prayer is sometimes all they get  
But I really DO care, & they'll know that  
The Lord will give them the message I'll bet!  
For I believe he is as good as Internet !

My big projet of a new birthday book  
got started with **Jan's help** who sent me her work.  
I spent hours, upon hours, redoing the list  
and putting in pictures ; but I didn't miss  
my therapy appointments twice a week!  
And made lots of connections in order to seek  
Information on names, addresses & such  
Trying to get it all right as much  
As I could

On the 10<sup>th</sup> I talked to **Kathy Jiran**  
From whom the death in December of **Hank**  
her brother-in-law I learned.  
Did some nice things with friends & old students  
of many years ago  
& went to a Lebanese Restaurant on Avenue Robersau!



## MARCH

We buried **Monique Barge** on the 27th in Haguenau  
She was an ex-colleague of mine for 32 years who died of brain cancer  
And **Joyce's memorial service** took place for whom I wrote a Remembrance Note for her Memorial Service

With all the deaths since September my mind took to a lot of reflexion :  
How much suffering can the human heart take? And here was the answer:

Amazing grace our Lord provides to withstand the hurt & evil of the world  
And to "soar" our spirits high! ....despite!



Joyce & Sherri

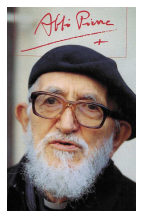
Anna passed her « concour » examination  
& is happy to be on the waiting list for a job with the board of education  
We saw **Elisabeth & Philippe** who passed by....and  
Who got to see **Bernard** too..who came by surprise.  
**Anna & I** repainted & decorated our WC  
In burgandy and gold...style Louis XIV...with Fleurs de Lys !

## FEBRUARY

While caring for cousin **Joyce Kellar**  
In 2006, the months of October & November  
My sensitivy to suffering was heightened.  
On February 25, 2007 she **died**.  
But other deaths had preceeded hers  
that brought sadness to many friends

## JANUARY : 22, 2007

**L'Abbé Pierre** died in France  
on the 22<sup>nd</sup> bringing a whole nation to  
a week of mourning



## DECEMBER 2006 : People who passed away lately:

Brigitte Noiriel's sister Catherine (dear friends in Fr) died in **Sept.**  
Bob Stoll's wife Rosemarie on **Nov. 16**  
Bonnie Strand on **Nov. 27**  
**Uncle Francis Colson** on **Dec. 10<sup>th</sup>**  
Kathy Jiran's brother-in-law **Hank** passed also in **Dec.** after shoveling  
snow in front of his home near Geneva, Il.  
I learned of his passing away only in **May**.