



## Carol Mae Skjerpig

October 5, 1933 - July 2, 2022

was born at home October 5, 1933 in Sheboygan, WI, a daughter of Edwin and Elizabeth Knoener (Jansohn). She attended two years of Kindergarten in Sheboygan before the family moved to Milwaukee. She attended Pulaski High school. She was baptized and confirmed in the Lutheran Faith.

She loved to dance and have a good time. She met her husband at a dance hall. On July 13, 1957, she married Willis Elroy Skjerpig of Holt, MN. They lived their first few married years in the Milwaukee area. Then, moved to northern MN to try their hands at farming. After a few years of farming, they moved to the Twin Cities area.

In June 1964, they bought a home in Coon Rapids, MN where she lived until her death (58 yrs).

Willis preceded her in death, April 24, 2015.

She began working at age 16 at Rhea's dress factory. She worked alongside her mother. Except for a .50 cent weekly allowance to use for bus fair to go to/from work, all wages she earned had to be handed over to her parents to help with living expenses until she turned 21. Instead of taking the bus to work (& using her .50), she walked a long distance to/from work every day just so that she could save and have her own "fun money."

As soon as she turned 21, she applied for the highly coveted, higher paying Machine Operator position at Allen Bradley Co. They hired her and she

worked there from 1954-1957. It was her dream job.

She quit working a shortly after getting married so that she could be a stay at home mom. Once her youngest child was old enough to stay home alone, she started a part time retail job at Target Corporation.

She is survived by three sons, Floyd (Barb) of Maple Grove, MN, Bruce (Lisa) of Wayzata, MN, John (Barb) of Shakopee, MN; and two daughters, Lila Mehrhof (Bob) of Crosslake, MN, Elizabeth Steffenson (Gary) of Cambridge, MN; eleven grandchildren, Brittany Weissenburger (Derek), Colton Mehrhof (Emilee), Sean Skjerpung (Corrine), Emily Menke (Cody), Ashley Frank (Tony), Calvin Mehrhof (Alyson), Kelsey Skjerpung, Kaylyn Skjerpung, Kyle Mehrhof (Maddy), Garret Steffenson, Carolyn Steffenson; six great grandchildren, Harlow & Otto Weissenburger, Henry & Marin Skjerpung, Carter Menke and Myla Mehrhof; one cousin, Sandra LaCroix (Knoener), sister in law, Betty Hansing and several nieces and nephews. She was also preceded in death by her parents and one half-brother, Walter Hansing (Betty) and one sister, Jo Ann Lewitz (Butch) both of Milwaukee, WI.

Her interests included party planning, writing poetry and stories, drawing, genealogy, cake decorating, traveling, Soduko, American Legion Auxiliary and her most all time favorite thing to do, spending time with family!

# Cemetery Details

## Fort Snelling National Cemetery

7601 34th Avenue South  
Minneapolis, MN 55450

# Previous Events

## Visitation

JUL 10. 2:00 PM - 3:00 PM (CT)

Coon Rapids Chapel  
1827 Coon Rapids Blvd.  
Coon Rapids, MN 55433

## Chapel Service

JUL 10. 3:00 PM - 3:45 PM (CT)

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## Graveside Service

JUL 13. 11:30 AM - 11:45 AM (CT)

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# Tribute Wall



“ *Susanne, David & Tonya purchased the Serene Retreat for the family of Carol Mae Skjerpig.* ”



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**Susanne, David & Tonya** - July 07, 2022 at 03:49 PM



“ *Pretty Please was purchased for the family of Carol Mae Skjerpig.* ”



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July 06, 2022 at 11:07 PM