



Gail Diane von Busch

February 21, 1938 - February 1, 2024

von Busch, Gail Diane (nee Swanson),

Born on February 21, 1938 - age 85, passed away from complications of dementia on February 1, 2024. Gail was preceded in death by her parents Elmer Swanson, step-father Morris Smiler, and Frank and Evelyn Hruby of Arizona, and former husband Neil von Busch of Minneapolis. Gail was raised in Minneapolis and Richfield with her mother and step-father and becoming a step-sister to Dorothy (Irv) Gilford, Lorraine (Bob) Gow, Leo (Renee), and Dale (Donna) Smiler. She graduated from Roosevelt High School in 1955. She resided with her family in Bloomington, later retiring to Sun City, Arizona, finally returning to Minnesota to be closer to her family. Survived by her daughters, Laura von Busch (Gary Robeck) of St. Michael and Lisa Good, son-in-law Steven Good, grandsons Jacob and Kevin Good of Bloomington and close friend, Ed Rollin of Apple Valley.

Cleverly intelligent, with a sarcastic wit, Gail was a joy to be around and will be greatly missed by all who knew her. Remembered for "telling it like it is" her authentic thoughtfulness, strong work ethic, and her astute honesty, she lived her life demonstrating her favorite sayings "variety is the spice of life" and "to be interesting you must be interested." Gail enjoyed travel, movies, reading, theatre, bridge, Mahjonn, casino gaming, Tetris and socializing with friends and family.

Memorial service 3:00 PM Tuesday, February 27, with visitation one hour prior, and refreshments to follow at Washburn-McReavy Bloomington Chapel, 2300 W Old Shakopee Rd. Private interment spring of 2024 Hillside Cemetery, Minneapolis, MN.

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Previous Events

Visitation

FEB **27**. 2:00 PM - 3:00 PM (CT)

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Tribute Wall



“ Washburn-McReavy Funeral Chapels created a Memorial Service for Gail Diane von Busch in memory of Gail Diane von Busch



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“ Dear Gail, I will always remember you as a classy Lady. One of those people that was always beautifully put together. You are the mother of my oldest and dearest friend, Lisa. Oh the things Lisa and I would do and try to hide it. Like sneaking extra cookies after you had given us each 2. we would hear you yell "girls are you in the cookies" of course our answer was no as we ran away with more cookies. We would play in Lisa's room and hear "don't make a mess and are you jumping on the beds?" Well we always made a huge mess and when we were told to pick up the room, we'd throw it in the closet or under the beds. She got wise to us very quickly!! I'll never forget the first time I had salad dressing on my salad. I thought I wouldn't like it but, she put French dressing on it and I loved it. I think Gail always had to keep an eye on Lisa and I for the strange games we played. One could not for get "Hang Doll" or terrorize Clem the cat. One of our favorite's was to make prank phone calls, she always seemed to catch us at that. Another favorite was lets spy on and bug Laura. To which came "Lisa leave your sister alone." I remember your Volkswagen beetle that you drove, and ridding in the back seat. I remember you were always a stern but loving mom. Thank you for my wonderful childhood memories. Heaven is Blessed with your presence.

Patty Newby - February 26, 2024 at 01:44 PM

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“ Gail was my cousin-in-law. She visited my parents Doris&Evrel Larson in Scottsdale,AZ in the 70's (Ev was Neil's uncle). I am Doris/Ev's daughter Kay Larson Heileman and I lived here, have daughters Lisa & Michelle. Always enjoyed Gail's wit and enthusiasm. Sending many prayers and blessings to the family.

Kay Heileman - February 25, 2024 at 03:27 PM



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