



## Helen A. Brisson

March 21, 1934 - September 8, 2024

Helen A. Brisson passed away peacefully at the age of 90, on September 8, 2024. She was welcomed into the arms of Jesus, surrounded by her loving family, at Centra Care Hospital in Sauk Centre, MN.

Helen was born March 21, 1934, to Frank and Elizabeth (Groess) Strecker.

She spent her

childhood swimming, fishing, and ice skating with her brothers and sisters at Coon Lake

Beach. Through her school years, she was involved in 4H, winning Grand Champion bread baker at the State Fair. In high school, she was active with cheerleading and tumbling and was even crowned Homecoming Queen by the love of her life, John 'Jay' Brisson. Helen and Jay married on May 22, 1954, and spent 70 years building a beautiful life and raising their children Joe (Tammi) Brisson, Laurie (Loren) Beste, John (Joni) Brisson, Jeanne (Bryan) Bellefeuille, and Barb (David) Jungers. They lived in Hugo, MN before moving to Sauk Centre, MN, and eventually to Gillette, WY and Lehigh Acres, FL. No matter where life took them, Helen spent a lifetime of caring for others. The constant hostess, Helen served others, working at Dairy Queen, Finger Hut, and the Nadeau's grocery store. Her caretaking heart brought joy and comfort to children at the MN Correctional Facility in Sauk Centre, the acting room mother at Hugo Elementary, and even as a para at the Campbell County Elementary School in Gillette, WY.

Helen loved retirement, with the ocean and seashells and her time in Florida

but returned to MN and found joy in spending time with her children, grandchildren, and great grandchildren. She cheered them on in sporting events, helped them learn to craft, and shared those Grand Champion baking skills every chance she got. For years, she continued to host holidays and always made sure everyone had exactly what they needed, offering snacks, a drink, and a big hug to everyone who entered her home.

She is preceded in death by her parents, Frank and Elizabeth Strecker, her brothers Mike, Charles, Frank, Tony, and Dick, and sisters, Vic, Eva, Agnes, and Audry. She will be missed by her loving husband, Jay Brisson, her children and their spouses as well as 16 grandchildren, 30 great grandchildren and 1 great great grandchild.

We sincerely appreciate the wonderful care she received at Fairway Pines in Sauk Centre as well as Dr Dunn and the wonderful nursing staff at Centra Care Hospital in Sauk Centre.

A celebration of her wonderful life will be at St Paul's Catholic Church in Sauk Centre, on Saturday, September 14, 2024 at 11am with visitation beginning at 9am and luncheon to follow. Burial will be at St John the Baptist Cemetery in Hugo, MN on Monday, September 16, 2024 at 1pm.

# Tribute Wall

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“ Debra M. planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Helen A. Brisson.

Debra M. - September 12, 2024 at 09:15 AM

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“ Sympathies to Jay and all of Helen's children. I have many fond memories at your home during highschool... lots of fun and always felt so welcome there. My thoughts and prayers are with all of you.  
Mary Jungers

Mary Jungers - September 11, 2024 at 07:21 PM