



## Joan H. Sanders

July 5, 2018

Sanders, Joan H. age 84, of New Brighton, went home to be with the Lord on July 5, 2018.

Joan was born on April 29, 1934 to loving parents Michael and Helen. Joan was an only child, but she never felt like she was because she grew up with her close cousins, Carol Jean, Kathleen, Dolores and Jimmy. Joan attended St. Cyril's Catholic School and parish from kindergarten through 12th grade. Joan met Dave at a Thanksgiving gathering, and they were married on August 16, 1955. They were blessed with three children, Debbie, John and Jerry. They made their home in Northeast Minneapolis and they later built a house in New Brighton. Dave and Joan enjoyed many trips to the North Shore with family and friends and loved spending time at their cabin on Knife Lake in Mora, MN. They liked to go for boat rides and go fishing during the summer and snow mobiling in the winter. They hosted many holiday parties at their house, and the basement became the dance floor for everyone to enjoy. In the later years, Dave and Joan would go for long Sunday drives and find a great place to have some lunch. Joan loved spending time at Jerry and Lynne's cabin on Big Sandy Lake and later in our trailer by Minnewawa Lake. We would go for rides in the pontoon boat, go fishing, play bar bingo, and go to the meat raffle. She also would visit her friend's cabin on Big Sandy Lake. Joan loved to cook, and have her family over for holiday meals. Joan was a loving and thoughtful mother, grandmother and great grandmother. Debbie and Charlie had one daughter, Chelsey, and a son, Michael. Dave and Joan

cherished their grandchildren, and Joan became a great grandmother when Chelsey had a son named Marcus. Joan loved to plant flowers and work in her garden. She also loved to watch the birds in the feeders in her backyard. Joan was an avid sports fan. She loved watching Vikings, Gophers, Twins, Timberwolves and Wild games. She loved watching Wheel of Fortune, going to bar bingo, and overnight trips to the casino. She spent hours playing Skipbo and Kings in the Corners with family and friends. She also loved working on her word search puzzles at the dining room table. Joan lived in New Brighton until October 2017, and then she moved to Maranatha Care Center until she passed away. John would visit his mom regularly at home and at Maranatha, and they both enjoyed the time they spent together on their monthly lunch outings for pizza or a buffet. Originally Joan worked at Unisys to have enough money to put carpet in their house, and she ended up working at Unisys for over 20 years. At Unisys she became friends with many of her coworkers and they have kept in touch since Joan retired. Joan's life was touched and enriched by so many people, and she will be missed dearly. Her spirit will live on in the hearts of her family and friends and in the many memories they have shared. Preceded in death by her beloved husband, Dave L. Sanders; and son-in-law, Charlie Poole. Survived by son, John Sanders; daughter, Deborah Poole; grandchildren, Chelsey and Michael Poole; and daughter in-law, Lynne Sanders. She will be remembered lovingly by her many family and friends. Memorial Service will be held on July 12 from 5-7 p.m. at Washburn-McReavy Northeast Chapel, 2901 Johnson St. NE, Minneapolis, MN (612) 781-6828. Memorials preferred to the family. Washburn-McReavy.com

# Tribute Wall

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“ We are grateful for the years we got to live across the street from Joan and for her welcoming us when we moved to the neighborhood. Our thoughts and prayers are with you.

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**Miriam Hill** - July 12, 2018 at 11:34 AM

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“ So sorry to hear about Cousin Joan. Many memories of the old days and family get together. Sending prayers and condolences. Uncle Joe Kronek, Linda and RJ Black.

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**Linda Black** - July 08, 2018 at 02:01 PM