



Joanne Maxine Haug

July 24, 1941 - January 9, 2023

JOANNE M. HAUG

Please join the family for Joanne's Celebration of Life

Date: Saturday, June 10, 11am-2pm

Location: 5304 Kingsberry Drive, Edina, MN

Joanne M. Haug, 81, of Golden Valley, MN passed away suddenly of natural causes on January 9, 2023, at her home in Golden Valley.

Joanne Maxine Shortridge Haug was born in Langdon, ND on July 24, 1941 to Wesley and Nancy (Bloomquist) Shortridge.

Joanne grew up the youngest of 7 children in a remote farming community in northern North Dakota. She attended a country school through 8th grade and graduated from Munich High School. She helped on the farm with whatever was needed and always enjoyed spending time with her siblings. She loved farm animals and was known to always have a pet chicken. She started learning piano at the age of 7, excelled at it, and after high school, enrolled at Concordia College in Moorhead, MN. She originally planned on majoring in music, but later transitioned to Business Administration.

Joanne married Lowell Haug (Park River, ND) in August 1960. They made

their home in the Moorhead/Fargo area and started their family. In 1969, they moved to Golden Valley, MN where she raised her 3 children and worked in the family business.

In the late 80's, she embarked on a career in a variety of administrative support roles. She worked for several companies over the years, and culminated her exemplary working career with over 10+ years as an IT Process Specialist at Pentair in Golden Valley, MN. She retired from Pentair in 2015.

Joanne ("Nana Jo") was a loving, kind, gentle, and present influence in her grandkid's lives. She attended every activity, big or small, with a smile and overwhelming support. She leaves an everlasting impact on her grandkids who will forever cherish every game night, lunch out at their favorite restaurant, the Annual Golden Valley Pumpkin Festival, birthday shopping trips, and car rides in her maroon convertible.

Joanne was a great Mom, Nana, friend, and confidante to many. She was known for looking and acting 20 years younger than she was, had an incredible sense of humor. She loved to laugh, was quick with a witty comeback, and was up for just about any kind of adventure. She enjoyed spending time attending music events, gardening, and traveling. She also loved jigsaw puzzles, weekly card games with friends, reading, tending to her pet cat Kodi, and knitting hats/mittens for donation.

Joanne was one in a million, equally kind and generous to all that knew her; she'll be deeply missed by her family and friends.

Joanne is survived by her daughter Lori, son Jeff (Kaki), son Todd (Linda), and grandchildren, Patrick, Megan, and Molly. She is also survived by her brother, Jack Shortridge (Daunine), and her sister-in-law, Cyrilla Shortridge, as well as

many nieces, nephews, cousins, and friends across the country.

Joanne was preceded in death by her daughter, Karin Sue; her parents, Nancy and Wesley; in-laws, Adolph and Thelma; her brother and his wife, Russell and Isabelle Shortridge; brother, Calvin Shortridge; her sister and brother-in-law, Alice and Earl Olson; her sister and brother-in-law, Donna and JC Kingzett; and her sister, Alayne Shortridge.

Donations/Memorials are preferred in Joanne's Honor to The Wild Cat Sanctuary or 2nd Harvest which can be made online: The Wild Cat Sanctuary
2nd Harvest Minnesota

Tribute Wall

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“ *What to say? What a loss! My heart goes out to the Haug family! I first met Joanne in 2010 after joining Pentair. Not sure how long it took before we realized we were craft beer kindred spirits. We explored many tap rooms, along with a really fun group of like-minded employees. Darkness Day was always a great time. In fact, my son in Chicago made a point to come home to enjoy too. The picture of Joanne was taken at Darkness Day, 2016. We were listening to a band when the lead singer-a large man-took off his shirt to reveal a neck to naval drawing of a phallus. Caught Joanne as she was bursting with laughter. Not sure if it was a tattoo or Sharpie, if that even matters, but what a great show. We stayed friends after her retirement. I miss her fun, kind spirit.*

Bobbie Haswell



Bobbie Haswell - February 23, 2023 at 11:10 AM

Lori
Haug

“ For those that are not on social media, I wanted to share my post from 1/30/2023:

It breaks my heart to post this. My mom, Joanne, passed away unexpectedly on Monday January 9.

She was an amazing woman, and I feel blessed beyond belief to have called her my mother as well as my best friend.

Many of you met and socialized with her over the years, and had come to know what a vibrant woman she was. Often looking and acting far younger than she was, people often thought we were sisters. She was definitely young at heart, and as badass as they come. Always up for fun, she made it her mission to get others signed on for the fun, as well.

She was a big live music lover and I will always cherish the countless shows we enjoyed together at the Dakota, Lee's, the Hexagon's weekly Country Jam and many MANY other venues (too many to list).

She loved The Country Doctors, and Trailer Trash, and never hesitated going to watch her son play in his heavy metal band, Powermad. The shenanigans that happened every week at the Hexagon Country Jam, and yearly, at Trailer Trash's Trashy Little Xmas Show, never failed to amuse her and endless laughter always ensued. Oh the fun we had!

She was also especially fond of Delbert McClinton, Dale Watson, Rodney Crowell and John Hiatt. But that's just the short list of artists she loved. Her musical tastes ran far and wide. And she loved venues of all shapes and sizes. We somehow endured/survived (miraculously) a 3-day whirlwind music trip to Austin, TX (along with a rousing game of Chicken Shit Bingo), and more recently, we enjoyed a road-trip to the Surf Ballroom, where we both swooned over all the rock-n-roll history.

The (very) few things I've mentioned here don't even begin to scratch the surface of the kind of person she was and the things she enjoyed in life, not to mention how significant she was to so many. She was a kind-hearted and generous lady, and left a lasting impression on everyone she met. She'll be deeply missed and the weight of this loss will be heavy for many.

"Whatever's good in me, in person, in spirit, comes from her. "

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Lori Haug - February 13, 2023 at 10:53 PM

LC

“ *I am so glad to have known Joanne and to call her a dear friend. She was an empathetic listener with a warm heart and always had sage words of advise and wisdom when it was needed most.*

She was always up for an adventure and I treasure the many that we went on together. From ghost hunting to playing cards she was game for almost anything. I will forever miss our dinners, cards, and conversations.

Joanne was a bright star whose light will never go out.

My heart goes out to her family whom she treasured dearly.

Laura

Laura Causin - February 12, 2023 at 07:47 PM

TS

“ *Joanne was my best friend for over 30 years. While all of the time we spent was special in so many ways, I have fond memories of sitting together at her kitchen table. We shared hot coffee or cold beer and discussed the things of life. We laughed a lot, cried a little and made an attempt to solve all of the worlds Problems! The Kitchen Table was a magical place. I feel her spirit everyday and I’m a much better man for knowing her. She was so funny, strong and beautiful! I miss her so very, very much.*

Tim Scrimshaw

Tim Scrimshaw - February 04, 2023 at 01:13 PM

AM

“ *Joanne was a part of my growing up, being the “hip” aunt of Pam and Julie. My deepest condolences to the family. May she rest in peace with her loving family greeting her in heaven.*

Audrey Hoffmann Myklebust - January 29, 2023 at 12:38 PM

PT

Joanne was my daughter’s mother in-law and what a special lady she was. I was so lucky to be part of her family. She was fun, giving and great card player. I loved that women and will miss her and our card games. May she rest in peace. Go with God Joanne love.

Patty Taylor - February 02, 2023 at 01:04 PM

AM

Joanne was one of a kind. I met her on my first day working at Pentair nearly 17 years ago. I was really nervous on my first day and when she talked to me I instantly felt more comfortable. I had the great fortune of spending many happy hours, beer festivals, and music events with her. I loved Joanne for the person she was and always felt accepted by her for who I was. I will miss her always! The world lost one of the best. I am happy to know that those she meets in her new journey will forever be better for knowing her!

Andre Marschall - February 03, 2023 at 11:42 AM