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Judy Ann DuPaul, age 79, of Golden Valley, Minnesota, passed away unexpectedly on August 10, 2025. Born on March 25, 1946, in Northfield, Minnesota, Judy lived a life filled with compassion, warmth, and deep devotion to animals and the people who loved them.

A lifelong animal lover, Judy built her beloved business, Labor of Love Pets, from the ground up more than 35 years ago, operating it out of her own home. What began as a humble idea turned into a thriving pet grooming and sitting service that touched countless lives. Her work wasn't just what she did - it was who she was. She continued caring for animals with love and dedication right up to the end, never stepping away from the work that brought her so much joy and purpose.

Judy was known for her incredibly kind and generous heart - always willing to help others, even complete strangers. Her compassion knew no bounds. She had a natural gift for connecting with people from all walks of life, and could strike up a meaningful conversation with absolutely anyone, no matter their background or story. Her warmth and openness made everyone feel seen, heard, and valued.

She also showed incredible strength throughout her life, overcoming numerous health challenges that many thought impossible. She was, in every sense, a medical miracle - a fighter who never gave up, and who defied the odds time and again with courage and determination. Her resilience inspired everyone around her. Her care team and doctors often spoke of the light she carried, and the courage with which she met every challenge. She was deeply loved and respected by those who cared for her.

She is survived by her grandson, Jereme DuPaul, and his girlfriend, Carly Ulrich; Jereme's father, Wayne Enger; her brother, Terry Rousseau, and his wife, Dorothy; along with many loving nieces, nephews, other relatives, and dear friends.

She was preceded in death by her daughter, Jolene DuPaul; her husband, Bruce DuPaul; her sisters, Pamela Haynes and Linda Rousseau; and her mother, Charlot Rousseau.

A Celebration of Life service will be held on September 27th at 11 AM, with a visitation one hour before and a reception to follow at Unity Christ Church in Golden Valley, MN.

In honor of Judy's lifelong devotion to animals, the family encourages donations to a local animal rescue organization in her memory.

Judy's life was truly a labor of love - for animals, for people, and for the world around her. Her spirit, kindness, and boundless heart will be missed more than words can express.

Cemetery Details

Hillside Crematory

2610 19th Ave NE
Minneapolis, MN 55418

Previous Events

Visitation

SEP 27. 10:00 AM - 11:00 AM (CT)

Unity Minneapolis
4000 Golden Valley Road
Minneapolis, MN 55422

Memorial Service

SEP 27. 11:00 AM - 12:00 PM (CT)

Unity Minneapolis
4000 Golden Valley Road
Minneapolis, MN 55422

Reception

SEP 27. 12:00 PM - 1:30 PM (CT)

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Tribute Wall



“ Judy lived on the next block from me and I always knew that when one of my dogs got loose, I needed to get over to Judy's house bc my dogs loved her. This act along speaks as to she was--a friend to all animals. She was a very kind person. Every time I've passed her house, I've said a prayer for her. I really miss her.

Carol Barry - December 02, 2025 at 06:57 PM

MG

“ Melissa G. planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Judy Ann DuPaul.

Melissa G. - November 02, 2025 at 08:22 AM

TO

“ I went to Wilson high school with Judy. She was a great person. Her grandmother babysat my brothers. Her dad Bud was a good friend of my father's. Just a great family. Judy left us too soon. RIP.

Tim OConnor - September 21, 2025 at 05:14 PM

ML

“ our sincere condolences to her family she was one really neat lady. we will miss her as we spoke on numerous occasions r.i.p judy marilyn & susan ludwig

marilyn ludwig - September 21, 2025 at 10:38 AM

JU

“ Jeff, Bev & Carsen Ulrich purchased the Enchanted Cottage for the family of Judy Ann DuPaul.



Jeff, Bev & Carsen Ulrich - September 17, 2025 at 07:42 PM



“ Your Light Shines was purchased for the family of Judy Ann DuPaul.



September 17, 2025 at 06:53 PM



“ Meadows of Memories was purchased for the family of Judy Ann DuPaul.



September 07, 2025 at 08:05 PM

JH

“ We moved in across the street from Judy. The day we were moving in, she came over to introduce herself. My grandkids fell in love with her. We've since moved but still made trips back just to see Judy. She was an amazing soul and if you were lucky enough to have her touch your life, you'll never forget her.

Jodi Hemingson - August 28, 2025 at 07:14 PM

BF

“ Brock Winspear Family purchased the Full Of Love Bouquet for the family of Judy Ann DuPaul.



Brock Winspear Family - August 22, 2025 at 04:49 PM

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Brock Winspear Family - August 22, 2025 at 04:49 PM

RN

“ I am heartbroken with Judy's passing. I so looked forward to visiting with Judy when 'Ernie' and I came for our appointment. Such a kind soul with so much love for animals. She will be truly missed. We've lost a piece of our hearts with Judy gone. I will never forget her.💔



Rita Normanfin - August 19, 2025 at 09:04 PM

LA

She loved dogs, I brought my yorkie for grooming to her, so very sorry, she was a light of sunshine.

Larene - March 20 at 09:00 PM

JT

“ My aunt lived down the street on the corner of Elmdale and Judy was always the “dog lady” even back when I was in high school in the 90’s. The most positive and greatest attitude. She would walk her husky late at night and walk past Caroline’s house and always stop to say hi. Even when Caroline and I would be in trouble for laughing so loud so late at night she would join in just to be a part of our pack. I loved hearing all her dog tales. Judy was an inspiration for me to foster dogs and I have been doing it for years. It is a great loss and her love for Jeremy was inspirational. 🐾 RIP. I know she will be checking in on the rainbow bridge and saying hi to all our fur babies that have passed. 🌈

Jeanne Tacheny - August 17, 2025 at 02:18 AM

BJ

What a beautiful tribute for this lovely lady. My husband, Bryan, and I were saddened to hear that Judy had departed this planet. She had such joy of life and was warm and inviting whenever we encountered her on our neighborhood walks. Will remember many conversations that we had with her during our walks, her outings in her red convertible and her positive attitude as she went through many health challenges. May she find eternal peace surrounded by her loved ones including all of the 4-legged friends she adored.

Bryan and Joan - August 18, 2025 at 01:16 PM