



Ms. Lois Jean Klefsaas

September 29, 1934 - January 9, 2023

Lois Jean Klefsaas was born on the family homestead to Gustav & Gladys (Baker) Klefsaas in Lake Shore Township, Lac Qui Parle Co., MN on September 29, 1934. She passed away on January 9, 2023 at the age of 88 in Robbinsdale, MN. She attended country school in District 49 for her first eight grades and then continued her education at Madison High School, where she was active in the choir, and band, playing her mother's C melody saxophone. During high school she stayed in town with her grandmother and worked at the Land O Lakes Café (currently the Pantry) until her graduation in 1952. She was also very active in 4-H and entered many sewing projects for the fair. Lois became a Registered Nurse in 1955 after graduating from the Swedish School of Nursing. She loved her early nursing days, which included serving as a camp nurse, and brought her to Colorado for some time. At the University of Minnesota hospital, Lois rose to the position of Head Nurse for the Pediatrics ward, and was actively involved in caring for some history making young patients. After taking an early retirement from nursing, Lois turned her love of auctions and sales into a new vocation selling antiques. Lois, or "Lu Lu", as many in her family called her, was the hostess of countless family memories. Lois, hosted Christmas Eve celebrations for the entire family for many years, and the feasting and opening of gifts regularly went into the early hours of Christmas Day. Many more family memories were created fishing and spending summer weekends at Lois' lake cabin on Rice Lake, Paynesville, MN. Whatever event Lois hosted, she was sure to share some of

her family famous potato salad, krumkake, or spritz.

Throughout her life, Lois enjoyed a variety of activities, including hunting and fishing, sewing and cooking, and spending time with her dog Gretchen. She was a fierce card player and played 500 and Whist in many tournaments and clubs, along with running many as well at the Crystal Community Center, where she was also a volunteer. Later in retirement, she was a frequent Disney World visitor, theatergoer, and Minnesota Golden Gopher Football fan. Her life was a life of service to others! Lois had a generous heart and a deep Christian faith, and walked and lived by her faith and beliefs and shared it with others.

Lois is survived by her sister Carol Abild and her nieces and nephews, Lisa (Gordon) Peterson, Scott (Patty) Armstrong, Julie (Tim) James, Susan (Tom) Pape, Peggy Britton, Kathy Klefsaas, Debbie (Greg Biddle) LaChance, Bob Klefsaas, Joyce (Pete) Hagemann, David Abild, Doug Abild, Nancy Abild, Karen Abild, Judy Sunvold, and John (Peggy) Sunvold. Preceded in death by parents Gustav and Gladys Klefsaas, brothers Harold Klefsaas and Donald Klefsaas, sister Ruth (Klefsaas) Sunvold, brother-in-laws Gerald Abild and Wesley Sunvold, sister-in-law Mavis Klefsaas.

Memorial Service is 2pm on Saturday, January 14, 2023 , with visitation beginning at 1pm at Washburn-McReavy Glen Haven Chapel, 5125 W. Broadway, Crystal, MN 55428. Interment at a later date.

Previous Events

Visitation

JAN 14. 1:00 PM - 2:00 PM (CT)

Glen Haven Chapel
5125 West Broadway
Crystal, MN 55429

Memorial Service

JAN 14. 2:00 PM - 3:00 PM (CT)

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Reception

JAN 14. 3:00 PM - 4:00 PM (CT)

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