



Ms. Marialice Catherine Sandison

April 29, 1931 - October 11, 2022

Marialice Catherine O'Keeffe Sandison was born April 29, 1931 in Omaha, Nebraska to Edena (Simpson) and Elbert O'Keeffe. She was a 1949 graduate of North High School in Omaha, where she was a marksman on the school's rifle team, then graduated from the Bishop Clarkson Memorial School of Nursing with a BSN in 1952. She worked in obstetrics and pediatrics in Omaha for 14 years, then, after moving to Sioux City in 1967, in Oncology at Marian Health and as a Hospice nurse in Sioux City from 1980 to 1997.

Marialice married William G.M. Sandison August 24, 1953 in Omaha, and they raised six children. She was president of the Hunt School PTA, was a Cub Scouts Den Mother for many years, and served on the YWCA board. She was active in her church, being famous for bringing homemade cinnamon rolls to the church functions, including 150 of them for the annual Easter Sunrise Service, while supporting Methodist organizations such as the UMW Board of First Methodist Church and the Shesler Hall board.

Marialice was an early leader in La Leche League, which provided support to new breast-feeding mothers, and answered phone calls from distraught new mothers in the middle of the night giving advice that helped raise a generation of infants in Sioux City. More than anything, she loved being surrounded by her children, grandchildren and great grandchildren.

Marialice was preceded in death by her parents, her husband William G.M. Sandison, her older brother E. Byron O'Keeffe, her sister-in-law Mary Alice O'Keeffe, and her son James Byron Sandison. She is survived by her son

Tom of Falling Waters, WV; Bob of Grand Rapids, MI (Suzanne); Cathy Lenagh of Golden Valley, MN (Peter); Bill of Severna Park, MD (Colby); John of Spirit Lake, IA (Cathy); 11 grandchildren and many great grandchildren.

Cemetery Details

Logan Park Cemetery

3901 Stone Park Blvd
Sioux City, IA 51103

Previous Events

Visitation

OCT 17. 11:00 AM - 1:00 PM (CT)

Glen Haven Chapel
5125 West Broadway
Crystal, MN 55429

Graveside Service

OCT 18. 3:30 PM - 4:00 PM (CT)

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Tribute Wall

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“ *With love from Betsy purchased the Sweet Tenderness for the family of Ms. Marialice Catherine Sandison.*



With love from Betsy - October 16, 2022 at 12:22 PM