



Marilyn Jean Botko

March 21, 1944 - March 30, 2022

Botko, Marilyn Jean

Age 78 of Coon Rapids, passed away on March 30, 2022. Preceded in death by her husband, Jerold Botko; and daughter, Kelly Stute-Linzmeyer. She will be deeply missed by her daughter, Terri (Paul) Karnowski; son, Patrick (Michelle) Botko; son-in-law, Calvin Linzmeyer; loving grandchildren, Sarah, Ashley, Brianna, Abbey, and Daniel; and many close friends, relatives, and family.

At a young age, Marilyn moved to Highland Park in St. Paul, MN and went to night school at Mechanical Arts. She worked at White Castle on 7 Corners. On September 22, 1962 she married Jerold Botko and together they raised three beautiful children. Over the next 27 years, she opened a daycare business in her home and was a second mom to many children. Marilyn and Jerry looked forward to getting away from the Minnesota winters to enjoy the sunshine in Arizona with friends. Marilyn enjoyed the outdoors, cabin life, fishing and fish frys. She also enjoyed going to the casino, "winning money" and eating at the buffet with friends. She crocheted many Afghans and baby blankets for her family/grandchildren and taught some of them to crochet as well. Her favorite restaurant was Red Lobster where she enjoyed crab leg and lobster meals. When spring came it was tradition to go flower shopping with her girls and spend the day planting and going out to dinner after. She was a member of the Silver Sneakers at the YMCA. Marilyn also liked going to the

movie theater, reading and spending time baking and sharing her delicious recipes with her family and grandchildren. Holiday traditions will continue and a seat will be saved for her at the annual Christmas play/ Dinner Theater at The Seasons.

For the past 8 years, Marilyn fought a hard, positive, courageous battle with Ovarian Cancer. We made sure she always felt loved and comforted and we always kept her flower vases full to help bring sunshine to those many dark days. She will forever be our sunshine just as the music boxes play.... We love you mom, until we meet again...

A memorial gathering will be held on Saturday, April 23, 2022 at Washburn-McReavy Coon Rapids Chapel (1827 Coon Rapids Blvd) from 1 PM - 4 PM. Memorials preferred to the family in lieu of flowers.

Tribute Wall

LF

“ Love, The Larson Family purchased the Sweet Tenderness for the family of Marilyn Jean Botko.



Love, The Larson Family - April 21, 2022 at 11:28 AM

TC

“ The La Motte family and Charlene Crane purchased the Serene Retreat for the family of Marilyn Jean Botko.



The La Motte family and Charlene Crane - April 20, 2022 at 04:19 PM

SD

“ Sarah, Ashley, Brianna, Abbey and Daniel purchased the Sweet Tranquility Basket for the family of Marilyn Jean Botko.



Sarah, Ashley, Brianna, Abbey and Daniel - April 19, 2022 at 04:04 PM

FC

“ *Friends at Triple C purchased the Enchanted Cottage for the family of Marilyn Jean Botko.*



Friends at Triple C - April 08, 2022 at 11:17 AM

YF

“ *Your Diamond Graphics Family purchased the Beautiful in Blue for the family of Marilyn Jean Botko.*



Your Diamond Graphics Family - April 05, 2022 at 11:26 AM