



Marilyn Joan Hitz

November 20, 1931 - August 25, 2023

Marilyn J (Dreher) Hitz, Age 91 of Watertown, MN passed away peacefully in her home at Ironstone Farm on August 25, 2023.

Marilyn was preceded in death by her husband Cliff, parents Ray and Lucille (Stallmach) Dreher, and brother Wayne.

Marilyn met Cliff showing Morgan horses at the Illinois State Fair. They married in Minnesota in 1954, and together would breed, raise, pleasure ride, drive and compete with their Morgans locally and nationally for over 50 years.

Marilyn also bred and raised Miniature Schnauzers for 53 years, and continued to groom and board for many of her puppy's families.

She is survived by her daughter Julie (Dan) Cooper of Wickenburg, AZ, son Gary (Carol) Hitz of Watertown, MN, granddaughter Corey (Tony) Martell of Becker, MN, grandson Nathaniel (Nikole) Cooper of Winston, GA; great grandchildren Joshua Marx, Ashley (Marx) Masias, Krystal, Austin, and Kyanna Marx; Tina, Kylee and Alyra Martell, Tyler Miller, Kailey and Julianna Cooper; great great grandchildren Milani and Monaco Cole, and many nieces, nephews, and friends.

In lieu of flowers, memorials preferred to Crossroads Animal Shelter, Buffalo, MN (crossroadsshelter.org) or Arizona Schnauzer Rescue (azschnauzer.org)

Celebration of life, Friday, September 22, 4-7 PM at:

Washburn McReavy.com

1400 Mainstreet, Hopkins, MN

Previous Events

Memorial Gathering

SEP **22**. 4:00 PM - 7:00 PM (CT)

Hopkins Chapel
1400 Mainstreet
Hopkins, MN 55343

Tribute Wall

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“ More than once my wife and I were privileged to sit in Marilyn's entryway and watch her ride herd on a dozen or more Miniature Schnauzers... she had a long wand she would reach out and touch them with, and they would quiet down. (For a little while, anyway!)

Marilyn was wonderful, we always looked forward to our visits to the farm and were glad she was available to babysit our special schnauzer, Teddy (from Ebony's first litter). Marilyn had a special way with raising pups that gave them the most wonderful personalities, and we will always remember her fondly.

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