



## Marjorie "Joan" Kastner

April 2, 1924 - August 7, 2019

Kastner, Marjorie J "Joan"

Joan was born April 2nd, 1924 in Taunton England and passed away, in the arms of her son, on August 7th, 2019 at the Monticello Care Center in Monticello, MN at the age of 95.

Joan grew up in Taunton, England attending Bishop Fox's Secondary School. She then worked for Somerset County England starting at age 16 after completing school. Joan worked for the UK Dept. of Shipping from 1944-1945 to assist in the war effort. She met Herbert J. Kastner, an Army Sergeant from MN, stationed in London, and they married in 1944. In 1945 after the war ended, Herb returned to the US. In March 1946 Joan boarded the U.S.S. Argentina with a large group of war brides and arrived in the US to reunite with Herb. She was one of the first war brides to land in Minneapolis.

In the US, she worked for Melamed Hobbs Advertising agency, Northwestern Nat'l Life Ins. Co, and Midcontinent Surveys with roles from receptionist to office manager, and project manager. In 1980 she founded Kastner Concepts which offered clients her services in Graphoanalysis, document examination and Parliamentary Procedures. Her lists of accomplishments are many and include Membership in the following Associations; TBPA (Transatlantic Brides and Parents Assn.) (past president), National Assn. of Parliamentarians,

National Speakers Assn., 35 year member of Toastmasters, National Assn. of Female Executives, World Assn. Of Document Examiners, MN Assn. For Children and Adults with Learning Disabilities, St Bridget's Church Trustee, member of the choir, Lector, and member of the Secular Franciscans fraternity.

She is preceded in death by her husband, Herbert and parents Violet and Ernest Benney, and faithful dog Otis.

Survived by daughter Gail (Robert) Milliman, Newton KS; son John (Tani ) Kastner, Clearwater, MN; sister Pamela Stahlman, Germany; Grandchildren John Robert, Paul, Kellie, Gina, and Shelby; Great Grandchildren Marshall, Arabelle; and many nieces and nephews.

Visitation 5-8 PM Tues, Aug. 13 at Washburn-McReavy Robbinsdale Chapel, 4239 W Broadway. Mass of Christian Burial 11:00 AM Wed, Aug 14, with visitation one hour prior at St. Bridget Catholic Church, 3811 Emerson Ave N, Mpls. Interment Crystal Lake Cemetery.

[www.Washburn-McReavy.com](http://www.Washburn-McReavy.com)

Robbinsdale Chapel 763-537-2333

# Cemetery Details

## Crystal Lake Cemetery

3816 N Penn Ave  
Minneapolis, MN 55412  
(612) 521-7619  
info@washburn-mcreavy.com

# Previous Events

## Visitation

**AUG 13.** 5:00 PM - 8:00 PM (CT)

Robbinsdale Chapel  
4239 W Broadway  
Robbinsdale, MN 55422  
(763) 537-2333  
info@washburn-mcreavy.com

## Visitation

**AUG 14.** 10:00 AM - 11:00 AM (CT)

St. Bridget Catholic Church  
3811 Emerson Avenue North  
Minneapolis, MN 55412

## Mass of Christian Burial

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AUG **14**. 11:00 AM - 12:00 PM (CT)

St. Bridget Catholic Church  
3811 Emerson Avenue North  
Minneapolis, MN 55412

# Tribute Wall

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“ Gail,

*I am thinking of you during this past week. From the description of your mother, she was a highly talented and engaging individual. I would have loved to meet her. Perhaps I will be able to have "coffee and conversation" with her in another time and place.*

*Please know that you are in my thoughts and prayers as you negotiate these very difficult times in your life. I hope that you find peace and solace in the memories of your mother and the impact that she has had on you.*

*Bill Eash*

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**William Eash** - August 15, 2019 at 08:55 AM



“ *Fairest of All was purchased for the family of Marjorie "Joan" Kastner.*



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August 13, 2019 at 02:48 PM



“ *Florist Choice Bouquet was purchased for the family of Marjorie "Joan" Kastner.*



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August 12, 2019 at 02:32 PM



“ *Pretty Please* was purchased for the family of Marjorie "Joan" Kastner.



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August 12, 2019 at 02:14 PM