



## Marlene Kay Schoephoerster

December 27, 1933 - November 15, 2020

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Marlene was born December 27, 1933 to Alfred and Lillian Backer in Minneapolis, MN. Her family moved to Seattle during WWII where her parents worked for Boeing to support the war effort. After the war the family moved back to Elk River, MN where they owned the Camp Cozy Roller Skating Rink and Tavern for several years. During Marlene's teenage years she loved to roller skate and was active in high school activities where she graduated from Elk River High School in 1951. Marlene married Keith Biddick in 1951 and to this union two children were born; Bruce and Barbara. In 1959, she married Robert Schoephoerster where together they added 2 additional sons, Robert and Steven, to their family. Marlene worked at Shopper City in Brooklyn Center and then for many years at Northwestern Bell (Qwest) until she retired. Marlene enjoyed attending her children and grandchildren's events and especially softball games. In her later years she loved being called 'Grandma Softball' as she rarely missed any games. Bob and Marlene enjoyed several trips in their retirement years. Marlene also loved to shop and the 'hunt' for a good deal. She enjoyed telling stories and had an infectious laugh. She was a faithful member of Lutheran Church of the Master and enjoyed her church family and activities. After Bob passed away in 2002, she continued to live in

her home in Brooklyn Center where she enjoyed caring for her yard during the summer months. In May 2015 Marlene suffered from a stroke and moved to Brookdale Shores in Champlin until January 2020 when she moved to Park River Estates Care Center to rehabilitate after an injury and remained there until her passing on November 15, 2020. Marlene's husband, Robert; her parents and her brother, Gary Backer and his wife Karon preceded Marlene in death. She is survived by her children; Bruce (Tammy), Barb, Robert (Julie) and Steven (Coleen); 10 grandchildren, 9 great-grandchildren, many nieces and nephews, friends and special neighbors. Marlene looked forward to the day to be with the Lord and surely loves her new Heavenly home. A private Celebration of Life service will be held on November 25, 2020 at Lutheran Church of the Master, Brooklyn Center, MN followed by internment at Glen Haven Memorial Gardens in Crystal, MN. In lieu of flowers, the family requests memorials. The family wishes to thank the staff at Brookdale Shores in Champlin and a special thank you to the staff at Park River Estates Care Center in Coon Rapids.

# Tribute Wall



“ *Pretty Please was purchased for the family of Marlene Kay Schoephoerster.*



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November 23, 2020 at 12:48 PM



“ *Barbara Schwandt lit a candle in memory of Marlene Kay Schoephoerster*



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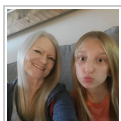
**Barbara Schwandt** - November 22, 2020 at 05:08 PM



*Miss you mom. Love you to the moon and back 🥹*

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**Barbara Schwandt** - November 22, 2020 at 05:10 PM



*It is of comfort in knowing that Marlenes' strong faith has placed her home, and into the arms of whom she so faithfully Prayed to. My sincere sympathy to the Schoephoerster/Biddick family, and friends. May your hearts heal with wonderful memories. Marlene will remain with in the hearts of many, including mine. Rest peacefully, Marlene.*

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**Brenda Kulzer** - November 22, 2020 at 09:37 PM



“ *Country Basket Blooms was purchased for the family of Marlene Kay Schoephoerster.*



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