



Joan M. Maurer

August 13, 1936 - February 3, 2025

On August 13, 1936, Joan Marie Kramer began her journey in life. She grew up in Ruth MI, and people called her Joanie. Joan moved to the city to become more independent and knowledgeable about what life had in store for her. On Feb 3, 2025, Joan M. Kramer Maurer, started her next journey into the wondrous universe, where her family and friends have been awaiting her arrival.

Joan M. Maurer is preceded in death by her beloved father and mother, Norbert and Mary (Mae) Kramer of Ruth, and her step mother Emma Rosanne Kramer. Joan lost her first son Blair Gornowich far too soon in his life. Joan was blessed to have married John Maurer from Ubly, MI. They had a joyous life together until his passing. Joan has two siblings Clarann Holdwick and deceased spouse Roman (Red) Holdwick and Lloyd Kramer deceased spouse Sharon (Sherry) Kramer. Clarann and Joan are now together in the after life.

Joan had four children: Kim Clark and her spouse Dennis Clark from Harbor Beach, Blair Gornowich and his spouse Marilyn from Harbor Beach, Reneen Gornowich and Michael from Longwood, FL, and Jody Gornowich and his partner Jeanette from Harbor Beach. Joan enjoyed spending time with her grandchildren: Tina Marie Tageson and her spouse Tim from Decker, Douglas Gornowich and his spouse Sheila from Oxford , Philip Gornowich and his

spouse Jessie from Bad Axe, and Yates Gehrsitz from Longwood FL.. Joan also had great grandchildren: Melanie Gornowich, Ainsley Gornowich, Maria Gornowich, and Clayton Gornowich, Tiana Tageson, Tasha Tageson, Takara Tageson, and Taleisha Tagason.

Every Christmas in Harbor Beach, she had a party to stay close to the Gornowich great grandchildren, and an additional party in Decker with the Tageson great grandchildren. Joan loved the Christmas holiday, as many of you know when you visited her festive home. She loved to work in her flower garden.

Joan was blessed with 16 step children upon her marriage to John Maurer; Ben Maurer of Ubly, Marcus (Tonya) Maurer of Homer, Jim (Jeannie) Maurer of Ubly, John (Diane) Maurer of Plymouth, Theresa (Mike) Mazure of Port Austin, Lucille (Gus) Recker of Ubly, Stephen (Carolyn) Maurer of Bad Axe, Joseph (Ginny) Maurer of Harbor Beach, Ann Maurer of Fort Meyers, FL, Glen (Melissa) Maurer of Chesterfield, Carol (Moses) Pinto of Allen Park, Margaret Maurer of Midland, Gary (Karrie) Maurer of Rockford, sons-in-law William (Barb) Herford of Elkton, Gene (Audrey) Holdwick of Harbor Beach, 33 grandchildren and 46 great grandchildren. Joan also had a wonderful friend in Pam Semp. She was preceded in death by 3 step children: Janice Shemka, Pauline Herford, and Marian "Mary" Holdwick.

Joan Maurer was a wizard when she played bridge and spoke of the bridge ladies often. Joan filled her time with quilting, Ladies Club, and Red Hats. Joan attended the Catholic Church for her entire life. The family of Joan M. Maurer thanks all of you who knew and spent valuable time with her. All the people who came and stayed with Joan, Thank you so very much for your kindness and love for Joan.

Funeral service will be on February 14, 2025 at 11:00AM at the Our Lady of Lake Huron Catholic Church, with a meal to follow in the church basement. In lieu of flowers, donations can be made to any cancer foundation.

Previous Events

Funeral Service

FEB 14. 11:00 AM (ET)

Our Lady of Lake Huron Catholic Church
413 S 1st St
Harbor Beach, MI 48441
(989) 479-3393

Tribute Wall

MS

“ *Mick And Marge Schott lit a candle in memory of Joan M. Maurer*



Mick and Marge Schott - February 10, 2025 at 07:13 PM

TA

“ *Takara purchased the Pink Potpourri Bouquet for the family of Joan M. Maurer.*



Takara - February 10, 2025 at 05:16 PM