



Joyce Ann Vanderley

May 20, 1953 - October 17, 2020

Joyce Ann (Compton) Vanderley, 67, of Interlochen, Michigan passed away peacefully on Saturday, October 17, 2020 at her home. She was born on May 20, 1953 on the U.S. Army Base in Harvey, Illinois to the late Lester and Evelyn (Smith) Compton. Joyce was raised in Interlochen from the age of four and she graduated from Traverse City High School in 1971. Joyce married the love of her life, James Vanderley, on June 11, 1977. Over the last 43 years their love has been inspirational to others. They went everywhere together holding hands, and never left one another without a kiss and saying “love you, babe.”

Joyce was a dedicated mom who stayed home with her girls as they grew up, and had a home-based daycare where she was a second mom to many others over the years. When her girls were grown, she enjoyed several years working for Munson Medical Center in the food service department.

Joyce enjoyed reading so much that she would get lost in her books, often reading several books a week. She was skilled with a needle and thread, blessing many family members and friends with gifts of breathtaking cross-stitch pictures and handmade quilts. She loved to make cookies with grandchildren, canning fruits and veggies, and she made incredible homemade pies. She was a strong but quiet spirit who endured a lot of discomfort in her life-time, dealing with chronic illness without complaint. She loved to play cards with family and friends, and no matter what game we played, she almost always won. She enjoyed volunteering in her church baby pantry a few times a month, and with her husband loved to give to those less fortunate. Joyce loved the Lord with all of her heart, and her family is comforted in knowing she is now pain free and in heaven with our Savior.

Joyce is survived by her loving husband of 43 years, James R. Vanderley, three daughters; Rebecca (Darryl) Wiggins, Jessica (Robert) Babcock and Evelyn (Dustin) Northrop. Also surviving are her grandchildren; Kennedy Haysmer, Joseph Haysmer, Elizabeth Haysmer, Debra Babcock, Jose' Babcock, Ezekiel Babcock, Lucas Babcock, and Nora Babcock. Joyce was also anxiously awaiting the arrival of baby girl Northrop,

due to be born in just 3 weeks. Also surviving are two sisters, Sharon Baatz and Nancy (Joel) Peters, and a brother, Edwin (Mary) Compton. Joyce had many nieces, nephews, close friends, and a dedicated church family at West Bay Covenant Church in Traverse City who also loved her immensely.

Joyce was preceded in death by her two sisters, Carol Kelly and Judith Ann Compton.

A funeral service honoring Joyce will take place at 11:00 a.m., with visitation starting at 10:00 a.m., on Thursday, October 22, 2020 at West Bay Covenant Church, 12720 S. W. Bay Shore Dr., Traverse City, MI 49684. Pastor Kent Andersen will officiate. A luncheon will take place immediately after the service in the Church reception hall. A private burial will take place at Countryside Memorial Park.

In lieu of flowers, the family suggests memorials to West Bay Covenant Church, where she was a faithful member for 36 years.

Please feel free to share your thoughts and memories with Joyce's family at her tribute page at www.reynolds-jonkhoff.com.

The family is being cared for by the Reynolds-Jonkhoff Funeral Home and Cremation Services.

Comments



“ Video Tribute



Reynolds Jonkhoff Funeral Home & Cremation Services - October 21, 2020 at 07:54 PM



“ Nancy Wright lit a candle in memory of Joyce Ann Vanderley



Nancy Wright - October 22, 2020 at 05:23 AM



“ My Dearest Joyce: So many precious and fun times I will treasure. You took incredible care of my three children, giving them so much beautiful love! I will always think of you and thank you for that. My great walking and movie partner and exceptional dear friend who I could say anything to and laugh together. You had a wonderful, caring, listening ear. Thank you for the beautiful friendship we had. I will miss you so, so much but always remember you gorgeous smile. I know you are at peace in heaven with the Lord, your mom, and sisters. Love ya forever!

Nancy - October 22, 2020 at 05:29 AM



“ Farewell Joyce...prayers for the family. As we grew up together I think the memory of all of us neighborhood kids gathering together around Christmas time to go Christmas caroling, walking every step of the way, to each neighbors house to sing our hearts out. Those neighbors were few and far between back then. And meeting back at Comptons or Bryants where a big ol coffee pot of home made hot chocolate was ready and waiting, along with playing board games, cards, laughter and friendship shared by all. Fly high Joyce.



Julia Carlile - October 21, 2020 at 09:29 AM



“ Neta (Sieffert) Jewell lit a candle in memory of Joyce Ann Vanderley



Neta (Sieffert) Jewell - October 20, 2020 at 08:54 AM



“ Dear Vanderley and Compton family. So sorry for your loss. However knowing who Joyce is, she is in the best place possible with our Lord and Savior. We grew up together out in Interlochen. Remember many days of walking to their home to play with Joyce and Nancy. I was the younger tag along sister with my sister Vonnie. We went to church together packing the car full of all of us kids. I remember her wedding day. Time as drifted us apart however friendships never go away. Love, prayers and blessings to you all.

Laverna Gonder Witkop

Laverna Witkop - October 20, 2020 at 06:17 AM