



Joan Highley

July 22, 1958 - May 13, 2022

Joan Highley, 63, of Lake Village, Indiana passed away Friday, May 13, 2022, at Riverside Medical Center in Kankakee.

She was born on July 22, 1958, in The Bahamas, the daughter of Donald and Corene Russell. She married Ernest Highley in 1981.

Joan was an active member of St. Augusta Catholic Church in Lake Village, Indiana. She enjoyed spending time with her family and four dogs, volunteering at church, and gardening. She worked in food service at Olivet Nazarene College.

She is survived by her three children; Erica Highley, Deborah Highley, and Donna (James) Speck all of Indiana; sister, Ann Higgs of The Bahamas; brothers, Tony (Julie) Russell of North Carolina and Don (Regina Russell) of The Bahamas; several nieces and nephews; and her four loving dogs.

Joan is preceded in death by her husband, Ernest Highley, who passed in 2019; parents, Donald and Corene Russell; brother, Jack Russell.

Services at St. Augusta Catholic Church, Lake Village, Indiana will be held later.

Cremation rites have been accorded.

Jensen Funeral Home is handling the arrangements.

Tribute Wall



“ *Joan Highley*

October 08, 2023 at 04:39 PM



“ *Ur mom was beautiful, inside n out ! Had a lot of fun with her.. Good memories! Hugs n love to you girls.*



Deb Jones - May 19, 2022 at 02:23 PM



Love you too!

Donna - May 22, 2022 at 10:11 PM

MC

“ Your mom was a wonderful thoughtful neighbor, and I miss her already. I knew that we would always be friends when you three little girls came to my door to introduce yourselves and welcome us into the neighborhood.

For decades, your mom and I always talked about our kids, we watched each other's houses, we borrowed each other's lawn mowers, we compared our utility bills, we warned each other of bad weather or road closings, and our last conversation was where she could find chicken for Erica "cause that's all she eats," said your mom.

I will miss her friendship, seeing her in her garden, watching her walk the dogs, and having our neighborly chats. I'll be here for you three girls if you need anything. My heart and prayers go out to you.

Mary Cooper and Family

Mary Cooper - May 19, 2022 at 10:45 AM

DO

Thank you for this. It brought back memories. ❤️

Donna - May 22, 2022 at 10:11 PM

MJ

“ My prayers for u three girls. Many days we work together at st joe. Your mother always made sure me and Donna hot our cheesecake from parties. Please let me know when you girls have a memorial for your mom.

Morey Johnson - May 17, 2022 at 09:03 PM

PB

“ *I already missed you ! we had alot of fun and laughs and many memories.. RIP JOAN*

Patti Bacon - May 17, 2022 at 08:08 PM