



JoAnn Oster

August 5, 1934 - December 29, 2006

JoAnn Lorraine Oster, age 72, beloved wife, mother, grandmother, great-grandmother, and friend went home to her heavenly father on December 29, 2006. Services will be held Thursday, January 4, 2007, at 11:00 a.m. at Faith Lutheran Church, 1402 Avenue C East, Bismarck, ND, with Pastor Wes Aardahl officiating. Burial will be at Fairview Cemetery, Bismarck. Visitation will be held from 12:00 Noon to 9:00 PM Wednesday at the Eastgate Funeral Service, 2302 East Divide Bismarck. The prayer service will be held at 6:00 PM Wednesday at Eastgate Funeral Service. JoAnn was born on August 5, 1934, in DeLamere, North Dakota to Samuel and Ebba Nelson Kinken. She graduated from DeLamere High School in May 1952 and moved to Bismarck where she worked for St. Alexius Hospital, Wilton School District, and eventually retired after working many years for the State of North Dakota. On July 11, 1954, she married Harry Oster. JoAnn and Harry had five children: Diana Kevin Schneider, New Mexico; Susan Schoener, New Jersey; Joan Neubauer, Minnesota; Sandra Michael Kummer, Indiana, and Daniel Oster Brenda Neubauer, Bismarck. JoAnn was an active member of Faith Lutheran Church and served two years as an auxiliary president for the Veterans of Foreign War Post 1326. Her favorite activities were spending time with family and friends, camping, fishing, and playing cards and bingo. JoAnn enjoyed spending time with her grandchildren, Dannette, Nicole, and April Schneider, Carrie and Katie Hopfauf, Jessica and Evan Levinson, Thomas and Sarah Kummer, and Jake and Sam Neubauer and eleven great-grandchildren. She

also enjoyed attending their school and sport activities and teaching tricks to her children's family pets, especially Sadie. Also surviving JoAnn are her immediate family; Beatrice Grow Orville, Minnesota; Clara Mae Fuss LeRoy, Fargo; Donna Miller, Huff; Earl Kinken Betty, Iowa; and Herb Kinken, Minnesota; and in-laws, Clayton and Lorraine Maw, Steele; Art and Jeanette Oster, Bismarck; Leo and Deloris Dockter, Bismarck; Glen and Shirley Schulz, Bismarck; Vernon and Linda Oster, Hebron; and Randy and Deb Diede, Bismarck; and any many nieces, nephews, and friends. She was preceded in death by her infant son; her infant granddaughter, Susan Kummer; her parents; and her younger sister, Dorothy. She will be deeply missed by all the people whose lives she has touched. All memorials will be donated to Faith Lutheran Church and the Ladies Auxiliary Veterans of Foreign War.

Tribute Wall

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“*Joann was a wonderous giving person. Sometimes with little appreciation. Her intentions were always good and her deeds will live long. Those who have had the pleasure of knowing her will take some of her wit with them. I feel just as Joann made sure everyone else was taken care of; she now is being pampered. Thanks for all the oversight and care. I am a better person for knowing you. Love Mike*

Michael Kummer - March 17, 2015 at 12:00 AM

SS

“*Harry and family,I am so sorry to see that you have lost your beloved JoAnn. She was such a vivacious and kind person, and always had a smile on her face.Know that you are in my prayers.*

Sharon Collins Schmidt - March 17, 2015 at 12:00 AM

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“*My Aunt Joann will truley be missed. I have a lot of memories of the good times we shared together and how my Dad Earl and Uncle Harry would all go fishing and camping together. She will be in heaven with Grandma and Aunt Dorothy.*

Mary Kinken-Stigers - March 17, 2015 at 12:00 AM

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“*I am very sorry to hear about your loss. It has been more years than I care to remember since I have been to Bismark but have fond memories of the times I was there and of the times you all came to Minneapolis. I know JoAnn will be missed. My prayers are with you during this time. May God bless and keep you.*

Larry Fischer - March 17, 2015 at 12:00 AM

SG

“ Sleepovers, always room at her table for one more hungry and possibly sassy mouth, caramel rolls, pickles, camping, Saturday morning housekeeping, Days of Our Lives, laughter, a good joke, emotion, commotion--oh my so many of my adolescent memories are connected to this most wondrous family, whose house was a home to all--I thank you all for sharing your Mom--the heart of your family, love, Sue

Sue Mollison Goebel - March 17, 2015 at 12:00 AM

DD

“ JoAnn left us all in such a state of shock and a bit too soon in all of our minds. But was it too soon?? No, not at all, her work was done here on this earth and our Heavenly Father brought her home to finish celebrating the true meaning of Christmas with the rest of JoAnn's and our loved ones. She is at peace and is happy in her eternal home. My memories of my "second Mom" are innumerable. But what really sticks out in my mind is how she loved life, lived it to the max and laughed often, all signs of happiness. For as we all know, happiness isn't based on possessions, power or prestige, but on relationships with people we love and respect, of which JoAnn had many. I can hear JoAnn sharing her many words of wisdom with all us, of which I will always cherish: Love generously, care deeply, speak kindly and leave the rest to God. I LOVE YOU and will miss you till we meet again!! "Debs"

Deb Diede - March 17, 2015 at 12:00 AM

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