



Gloria J. Van Horn

August 22, 1942 - March 19, 2025

Gloria J. Van Horn, 82, of Fond du Lac, died on Wednesday, March 19, 2025, at St. Agnes Hospital.

She was born on August 22, 1942, in Janesville, the daughter of Leslie and Maybelle Naatz Kerl. She was a graduate of Janesville Senior High School, Class of 1960, and then attended U.W. Stevens Point. On August 29, 1964, she married James Van Horn in Janesville. He preceded her in death on March 5, 2014.

Gloria worked many years as a waitress at Lauer's Restaurant, and then as an aide at Franklin House. She was an avid sports fan of baseball, football, and basketball, watching her grandchildren grow was her hobby.

She is survived by her daughters: Lesley (Dean) Preissner of Fond du Lac, and Brenda (Joel) Alcantara of Gilman, WI; her grandchildren: Hannah Preissner (fiancé Cameron), Hunter (Olivia) Preissner, Joel (Lexi Ireland) Alcantara, and Carmen Alcantara; her siblings: Judy Vopelak of Janesville, Joyce (Joel) Hanson of Janesville, Richard Kerl of La Valle, WI, Paul Kerl of Janesville, and Beth (Larry Rackow) Carter of Janesville, sister-in-law, Geri Kerl of Markesan, nieces, and nephews.

She is preceded in death by her parents, her husband, and her brother Ron Kerl.

The family would like to extend special thanks to Juan Valdevia and his family for their loving care and concern for Gloria.

At Gloria's request, cremation has taken place.

Tribute Wall

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“ I reflect back to Paul’s woods sitting around the campfire listening to stories and eating desserts. Jim and Gloria had the two brown/white dogs bouncing around. Gloria’s laugh would light up the woods. We are turning a page in our family hierarchy. I extend sympathy, strength, and courage to you Leslie and Brenda. Take this opportunity to let Gloria’s traits live through you and share them with family. I can guarantee “hearts” will start to appear. Love to you all.

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