



Joann Ruby Oien

January 13, 1956 - January 12, 2022

Jo Ann Ruby Oien, 65, passed away after fighting an illness in Lehigh Acres, Florida on January 12, 2022 holding her husband Jim Gelbach's hand one day shy of her 66th birthday. Jo was born in Moorhead, Minnesota on January 13, 1956 to Darl Oien and Ann Schwartz. Jo lived in many places in her life and her circle of family and friends reached across the country. She was a very active lifetime member of the Lehigh Acres Eagle Club #3938, also of the American Legion Post #323 and a board member and volunteer at the Lehigh Community Services. Jo was a career counselor at Brown College in Minneapolis, Minnesota, also a graphic designer with her own business Four Eyes Design. Jo is survived by her husband James Gelbach, her brothers, Darl (Kathy) Oien, Wayne (Debra) Oien and Mark Edwards. Her Uncle Lyle Oien who gave her nickname "JoJo". Children Rebecca (Franco) Garcia, Nikolas (Amber) Treziok, Hannah Treziok, Josephine Treziok and Thomas Treziok. Step Daughters, Adrienne Gelbach, Allison Gunderson and Leah (Brad) Bjorgum. Grandchildren Cole Hill, Adrian Treziok, Rayvn Treziok, Aire and Eris Treziok, Kyra Asher Treziok and Aurora Candela-Treziok. Step grandchildren Nadia Goad, Truth Goad, Nani Goad, Max Gunderson, Ruby Gunderson and numerous cousins and extended family. Jo was preceded in death by her parents Darl Oien and Ann Schwartz, her sister Melissa Maves, her Aunt Sylvia Oien and stepson Jakob Gelbach. Her beautiful smile was one that could illuminate a city. She will be missed by many as her heart of gold touched the hearts of those who knew her. Jo's wit, humor and snarkiness will

be missed by all that loved her. A celebration of life will be held at the Lehigh Acres Eagles Club #3938 in the near future, for the friends and family in Minnesota we are planning a late spring or early summer event in Apple Valley, Minnesota. Both will be posted on Facebook. In lieu of flowers the family asks for donations be made to your local food banks and food shelves in Jo's name. The need is great during this time of hardship. Funeral services are being arranged through Gendron Funeral & Cremation Services Inc.

Tribute Wall



“ I am saddened deeply by this news! I was looking my childhood best friend Josie up, and saw her mom’s beautiful smile and spirit... only to lead me here. I will leave lots of love, respect and smiles for Ms Jo Jo welcoming me into her home and heart (especially being an African American child in Bloomington in the 80s). She never let a negative feeling come mine nor my siblings’ way whether it be from a stranger or anyone closer! She will always be a class act in my eyes and heart!! Love you and thank you for being another mom in a time where it was so appreciated ♡♡

Santrysa - October 14, 2024 at 05:22 AM



“ Joann Ruby Oien

October 09, 2023 at 02:01 AM



“ Joann Ruby Oien

January 28, 2023 at 12:09 PM

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“ Dear Jim,

Scott and I are so sorry for your incredible loss. We will always remember Jo as FUN! She had the best smile and laugh! She will be missed.

Sending love and prayers,

*Jeannette and Scott Gunhus
Apple Valley*



Jeannette Gunhus - January 17, 2022 at 04:05 PM

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Adrienne Gelbach - January 17, 2022 at 12:28 PM

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“ *Luann Hannaford lit a candle in memory of Joann Ruby Oien*



Luann Hannaford - January 17, 2022 at 12:07 PM