



## Judith Ann Marek

January 7, 1946 - May 11, 2021

Judith Ann Marek Maynard, 75, of New Buffalo, MI, passed away suddenly on May 11, 2021, in Fort Myers, Florida. Judy was born in Chicago, IL, and raised by her adoptive parents John and Jeanette DeSchaaf. She graduated from nursing school in 1966 and spent the next 36 years compassionately caring for her patients. Family was very important to Judy, and she enjoyed keeping in touch with them all. She always put everyone else's needs first and always had a kind word for all. These traits made her the perfect Shrine Lady! For the last few years, Judy and her husband Ken enjoyed spending the winter in Florida and traveling in their camper to different Shrine events. Judy is survived by her husband Ken Maynard, their children: Michael (Lisa) Marek – daughter Cheryl (Michael) Jade – Leila and Bentley, son – Nicholas (Jessica) Tatum - Jeremy, Brian (Melissa) Marek - son Bryce, daughter Rylee, Jim Marek - sons Jacob and Preston, Becky Maynard - daughter Ciera, Jason (Kammye) Maynard – daughter Annabeth, son Tyler. Judy also leaves behind her sister, Joanne (Dan) Brotherton, brother John (Judy) DeSchaaf, cousins, nieces, nephews, and many other loved ones.

Judy was preceded in death by her parents and her beloved first husband Alan Marek. Judy will be missed by many friends in Michigan, Florida, and the Chicago area. Judy's Celebration of life will take place at The Orak Shrine Center located at 3848 Frontage Road, Michigan City, IN on June 12 from 1-4pm.



# Tribute Wall



“ *Judith Ann Marek*

October 09, 2023 at 02:01 AM



“ *Judith Ann Marek*

January 28, 2023 at 12:09 PM



“ *Basket of Memories was purchased for the family of Judith Ann Marek.*



June 08, 2021 at 09:04 PM



“ *I was so saddened to hear of Judy's death. 💔 She was a beautiful lady. I remember happy times spent with her and pray God's Blessings on your family as you go through this most difficult of times. 🙏❤️*

**Bonnie L DeSchaaf** - June 08, 2021 at 01:11 PM



“ *I enjoyed working with Judy at Pronger Smith. She was always one of the sweetest people I knew. She will be missed. She had a caring heart. May she rest in eternal peace.*

**Marina Bruno Tiberi** - June 08, 2021 at 10:54 AM

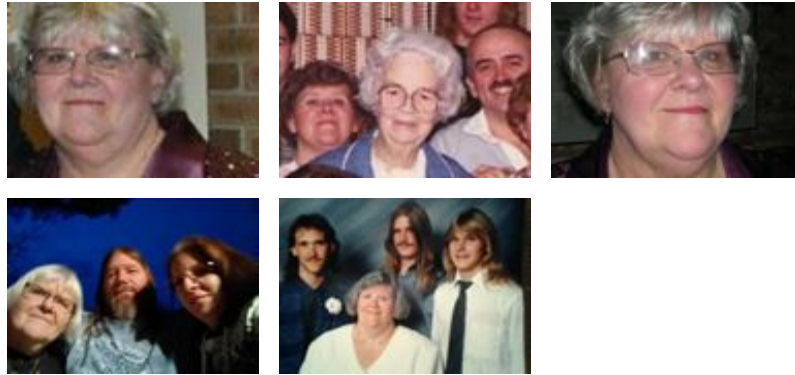
BC

“ Judy was our neighbor when I was young, in Illinois. She was always so cheerful and wanted all the kids in the neighborhood to be in her yard. She loved it.

Beth Cebulski - June 08, 2021 at 10:37 AM



“ 66 files added to the album Life Tributes



Gendron Funeral & Cremation Services Inc. - June 07, 2021 at 11:57 AM



“ Full Of Love Bouquet was purchased for the family of Judith Ann Marek.



May 29, 2021 at 08:49 PM

SJ

“ Judy was such a sweet lady and truly liven up the room when she came in. She was always helpful and offer a warm smile or hug when you needed it. I had the pleasure of seeing her at our pathfinder reunions and gatherings with Ken, our National Pathfinder Association Chaplain. I know your with the rest of the angels looking down on us with a warm smile and saying "don't forget to smile and say i love you to someone. We will miss you!

*Shawn and the girls, Liz, Natalie and Serenity Jones  
NPA President*

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**Shawn Jones** - May 28, 2021 at 10:00 PM

SJ

“ 3 files added to the tribute wall



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**Shawn Jones** - May 28, 2021 at 09:52 PM

DR

“ Thoughts, prayers and (((HUGS))) to Lisa and Mike.



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**Don and Anita Ryan** - May 28, 2021 at 11:50 AM

LM

“ Judy was the best mother (in law) I could ever ask for..She was full of love and laughter. She loved everyone and everything. She lived life to the fullest. I miss her smiles and our talks. It's still hard to believe shes gone. She did one heck of a job raising 3 boys but she did an amazing job that's forsure..This is not good bye its see you later!! Love you mom!! Your MY angel!!

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**Lisa Marek** - May 28, 2021 at 12:55 AM

JD

“ My favorite memory of Judy is that she and Ken accompanied us on John and my honeymoon. They made our honeymoon so much more fun. We liked to tell people about our arrangement. I had never been to Branson before. When Judy told me and her brother they owned a time share there and we were welcome to use it. I told her the only way I could do that was if she and Ken went too. They made my honeymoon so much fun. But she was that way. Always offering whatever she could do for anyone. I will miss her so much. We called each other "sister" because we loved each other from the first time we met. RIP my sweet "sister"

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**Judy DeSchaaf** - May 23, 2021 at 10:53 AM