



JoAnn Wimmel Zarfoss

November 20, 1941 - February 16, 2021

JoAnn W. Zarfoss, age 79 of Germantown, TN passed peacefully on February 16, 2021 after a long battle with dementia. She was born November 20, 1941 in Washington DC, the daughter of John and Ann Wimmel.

She was preceded in death by her father, John Wimmel, mother, Ann Wimmel and brother, James Wimmel. She is survived by her loving husband, William Zarfoss of Germantown, TN; daughter, Kimberly (Scott) Hansen and their daughters, Erica, Emily and Erin of Collierville, TN; her son, William (Stacy) Church and their children, Anna, Lila and Tyler of Tracy's Landing, MD; stepson, David (Katy) Zarfoss and their son, Jacob of Gainesville, GA; sister, Janet (John) Adams of Memphis, TN; brother, John (Sally) Wimmel of Silver Spring, MD; and several nieces and nephews.

JoAnn graduated from Roanoke College in Virginia, with a major in Education and a minor in Psychology. During her time in college, she was nominated to the May Court and crowned May Queen. She was also actively involved as a member of Delta Gamma sorority and continued to be active as an alumna in the Memphis chapter. JoAnn was also a member of the Carnival Memphis organization, Grand Krewe of Ennead. In 1993 she was elected as Ennead's Queen Sahara III and then she served on Ennead's Board for two years as secretary.

JoAnn had a successful career as a sales rep in the transportation industry for over 20 years. After retiring, she spent several years volunteering for the Wings Cancer Foundation and volunteered at the elementary school where her grandchildren attended. She enjoyed her lunch groups, garden club, book club, traveling with her husband and more. JoAnn was a devoted Christian and longtime member of Christ the King Lutheran Church in Memphis.

Most of all JoAnn loved spending time on the water at their Pickwick lake house with friends and family, especially her husband, children, and grandchildren. JoAnn always knew that every day was a gift and lived her life to the very fullest. She was loved and

respected by those she worked with as well as so many wonderful friends and will be greatly missed by all who knew her.

A prayer service and celebration of life will be held at a later date. Memorial donations may be made in the name of JoAnn Zarfoss to Page Robbins Adult Day Center, 1961 South Houston Levee Road, Collierville, TN 38017, (pagerobbins.ejoinme.org/donate)

Comments



“ You will be so dearly missed, Aunt JoAnn. I was so glad to have more time with her in recent years, living close to her and her kids and grandkids, my cousins. She was such a sweet woman and a real original. So smart, successful, strong, and independent. A real role model. I'm glad she had such a wonderful life, and so sad that she's gone.

Kevin Haley - February 22 at 09:46 PM



“ I will miss all the fun times we had growing up together as sisters especially sharing a bedroom where we would talk n laugh for hours until Mom n Dad would come in and tell us to be quite n go to sleep. But the most fun we had was all our summers we spent at our little cottage in Fairhaven called “The 4 J's “ named after us siblings: Jo Ann , Janet, Johnny, n Jimmy. We went there in June n never returned to DC until school started in Sept. we did that until we were old enough to get summer jobs. Those were the days but the memories will live on in my heart. I only move to Tn because of you n I'm glad I had these yrs together. You had so many dear friends n you welcomed me into your group. You were pretty, had a great smile n most of all you had a great sense of humor. Rest In Peace now n give mom dad n Jimmy a big hug for me. I love you sis Janet

Janet Wimmel Adams - February 22 at 09:59 AM