

Celebrating the Life of

# JoAnn E. Anderson

August 13, 1933 – April 11, 2023



I'd like the memory of me  
To be a happy one,  
I'd like to leave  
an afterglow of  
*smiles*  
when life is done.  
I'd like to leave an echo  
Whispering softly down the ways,  
Of happy times and laughing times  
And bright & sunny days.  
I'd like the tears of those who grieve,  
To dry before the sun  
Of *happy memories*  
that I leave behind  
When life is done.

*Services At:*

Federated Church - Morris, Minnesota  
Friday - April 21, 2023 - 11:00 a.m.

*Officiating Clergy:*

Reverend Matt Orendorff

*Readers:*

Kelly Okray & Steve Kent

*Eulogists:*

Dave Anderson & Penny Rhoda

*Pianist:*

Angela Nybakke

*Soloist:*

Roger Blair  
"On Eagle's Wings"

*Pallbearers:*

*JoAnn's Grandsons:*

Kyle Anderson, Ryan Anderson, Evan Anderson  
Ross Kent, Tyler Kent, Brady Sharstrom, Kevin Mahoney  
Carson Muehlbauer, Cody Nelson, Jordan Rhoda

*Honorary Pallbearers:*

*JoAnn's Granddaughters:*

Alicia Shepard, Erin Oldre, Brianne Allison, Lindsay Hall  
Brooke Mulville, Brittany Fehr, Kristi Moore, Kelly Okray  
Morgan Voss, Alana Nelson, Tonya Rhoda, Sara Rhoda

*Interment:*

Summit Cemetery - Morris, Minnesota



JoAnn Ella Redfield, was born on August 13, 1933, on her family farm in Malta Township, Big Stone County, Minnesota to David and Shirley (Morrill) Redfield. JoAnn was baptized and confirmed at the Clinton United Methodist Church in Clinton. She received her elementary education in Clinton and then continued high school at the West Central School of Agriculture in Morris through the 12<sup>th</sup> grade. JoAnn was united in marriage to Harold B. Anderson on October 13, 1951, at Trinity Lutheran Church in Clinton. The couple made their home on a farm near Hancock, Minnesota, where they welcomed six children. JoAnn was a proud farm wife, taking care of her home, her husband, and her children, until she began working outside of the home. She was the Principal's Secretary at the Morris Junior High School for many years and also worked as a teller at the Morris State Bank. After Harold's death in 2016, JoAnn moved into West Central Christian Homes in Morris, where she lived until her death.

JoAnn was an active member of Federated Church in Morris. She was a part of many groups, including the Hodges Sewing Club, Women's Fellowship at the church, Heart to Heart, and various Bridge Clubs. Harold and JoAnn loved to travel which took them on adventures to Hawaii, Jamaica, Alaska, England, and Mexico, as well as many bus tours. Other hobbies of JoAnn's included scrapbooking, playing bridge, and reading.

JoAnn always had treats at her house, she was ready to serve 'a little lunch' to any and all visitors that came by. She was very organized and took the lead on planning gatherings – anything from tea parties to class reunions. Her children fondly remember the smell of fresh baked bread and buns in their home and enjoying them with real butter and peanut butter. JoAnn loved her family, and as she stated several times 'Her family was her treasure, her most prized possession.'

JoAnn died peacefully on Tuesday, April 11, 2023, at the Courage Cottage in Morris, Minnesota; she was 89 years old.

JoAnn is survived by her six children: David Anderson of Moorhead, Royce (Julie) Anderson of Glenwood, Nancy (Steve) Kent of Breckenridge, Pat (Ron) Sharstrom of Morris, Penny (Paul) Rhoda of Morris and Bryn (Todd) Muehlbauer of Sauk Rapids; 17 grandchildren: Kyle Anderson, Lindsay Hall, Alicia Shepard, Ryan Anderson, Evan Anderson, Erin Oldre, Brianne Allison, Ross Kent, Tyler Kent, Brooke Mulville, Brady Sharstrom, Brittany Fehr, Kevin Mahoney, Kristi Moore, Kelly Okray, Morgan Voss and Carson Muehlbauer; five step-grandchildren: Cody Nelson, Alana Nelson, Tonya Rhoda, Sara Rhoda and Jordan Rhoda; 38 great-grandchildren; brother, Wally (Eunice) Redfield of Morris; sisters-in-law: Mary Jo Redfield of Alexandria, and Jean Anderson of Farmington; and brother-in-law, Jim (Audrey) Weinman of Ortonville. She was preceded in death by her husband, Harold; parents: David and Shirley; grandson, Brian Kent; brother, Keith Redfield; and sisters: Diane Redfield and Deloris Weinman.

## *In Loving Memory*



*JoAnn E. Anderson*