

Jeanette R. Guns

June 5, 1945 – September 24, 2023

Jeanette R. Guns, 78, Kewaunee, Jeanette was born in Ladysmith, Wisconsin, on June 5, 1945, to the late Francis and Eugenia (Hayden) Kazmierkoski. Growing up in Ladysmith, she attended Ladysmith Schools. As a senior in high school, she began dating her future husband and love of her life, Albert “Butch” Guns. After graduation, Jeanette attended Sacred Heart Hospital in Eau Claire, to receive her radiology certificate. Shortly after graduating, she and Butch were married., and he was drafted into the Army. Jeanette put her career on hold, and they moved to Alexandria, Virginia, and eventually Kaiserslautern, Germany, where their son Troy was born, making ends meet on a GI’s salary.



Upon their return to the states, Jeanette took a job at St. Mary’s Hospital in Kewaunee, WI, as an x-ray technician. Kewaunee is where she and Butch would call home, and add two more children, their daughter, Shannon, and son, Chad. Jeanette not only was the best mom to her own 3 kids but was referred to as “Ma Guns” by any kid that walked through their door. Her family was everything to her.

Jeanette took pride in her job also and made anyone who entered the x-ray department feel like they were the most important person she had ever helped. She worked at St. Mary’s until it closed. Jeanette then finished out her career at the Bellin Clinic in Algoma, WI, where she retired.

She did not slow down in retirement. She and Butch became more active, volunteering at Holy Rosary Church. Jeanette also volunteered at many other places, including Journey’s Club and the The Closet in Kewaunee. Always helping those less fortunate or in need.

Jeanette was most passionate about her grandchildren. She and Butch attended as many of their activities as possible.

Jeanette is survived by her husband of 58 years, Albert “Butch” Guns; children, Troy (special friend Maria) Guns of Green Bay, Shannon (Troy) Alsteen of Casco, Chad (Jill) Guns of Sparta; grandchildren, Trey (fiancé Taylor) Alsteen, Tanner Alsteen, Haydn Guns, Ella Guns, and Nate Guns; sister, Virginia (Joe) Aylesworth of Troy, IL; and sister-in-law, Linette Kazmierkoski of Bruce, WI. She was preceded in death by her parents, Francis and Eugenia Kazmierkoski; brother, Jack Kazmierkoski; sister, Judy (Warren) Nelson; and father- and mother-in-law, Albert and Lucille Guns.

Visitation will take place at Holy Rosary Catholic Church on Saturday, September 30, 2023, from 8:30 am - 12:00 pm. Mass of Christian Burial will follow at 12:00 Noon with Msgr. Jim Dillenburg officiating. Burial to follow in the church cemetery. Online condolence messages may be shared at KinnardFCS.com. In lieu of flowers a memorial fund will be set up in Jeanette’s name.

Our family would like to express a Thank You to the Kewaunee First Responders, Police, and Ambulance Workers.

