



# Joyce Corrine Shea

June 1, 1930 ✠ May 10, 2024

## MASS OF CHRISTIAN BURIAL

Monday, May 20, 2024, 1:00 PM

Church of St. Mary, Alexandria, Minnesota

## OFFICIANT

Father Matthew Kuhn

## URN BEARER

Michael Shea

## HONORARY URN BEARERS

Mark Shea

John Shea

Brian Shea

Bruce Zierke

Andy Vagle

Don Goodin

## FAMILY BIBLE, CROSS AND ROSARY BEARERS

Mark Shea, John Shea and Brian Shea

## GIFT BEARERS

Dan Shea

Christine Ayala-Zierke

Lauren Shea

Alex Vagle

Samantha Shea

Scott Goodin

## READERS

First Reading:

John Shea

Second Reading:

Mary Pat Zierke

Petitions:

Amy Vagle

## INURNMENT

Our Lady of Seven Dolors Cemetery, Millerville, Minnesota

When we are gone,  
and people weep for us & grieve,  
let it be because we  
touched their lives with  
*Beauty & Simplicity.*

Let it not be said  
that life was good to us,  
but, rather, we were good to life.

- Jacob P. Rudin



**Joyce Corrine Shea**, 93 year old resident of Alexandria, MN passed away on Friday, May 10, 2024.

Joyce was born in Alexandria, MN on June 1, 1930 to Lawrence and Dora Hanson. Joyce graduated from Alexandria High School in 1948.

Joyce's shy and quiet personality was perfectly matched when she met the outgoing and fun-loving Hubert Shea at her parents' restaurant in Brandon MN. Joyce and Hubert were married on October 15, 1951 and were blessed with 45 years of love and laughter and seven children - Mike, Mary Pat, Kathleen (Fluff), Mark, John, Brian and Amy.

Hubert and Joyce began farming on the Shea family farm in Leaf Valley in 1951. Starting in 1956, Joyce supported Hubert as he began his new career in the Gambles hardware store business, moving the family from Alexandria to Red Wing, Fairmont and Albert Lea, Minnesota. In 1968 they purchased the Gambles hardware store in Little Falls. Joyce and Hubert worked side by side growing the hardware store in Little Falls until they sold it in 1979.

Joyce then started her own business, sewing custom draperies and alterations. She had a love of sewing and was an extremely talented seamstress. Sewing was always part of her life from the early years of making clothes for her daughters, the sewing shop, and finally making beautiful quilts for her grandkids.

At the age of 62, Joyce began a new 20-year career working at the jewelry counter at Walmart in Little Falls, then transferring to Alexandria, retiring at 82 years old.

Joyce loved to shop and never passed up a good bargain. She took pride in her annual garage sales. This passion started in the early 1980's in Little Falls and continued in Alexandria with her biggest and final garage sale when she was 85 years old.

After Hubert passed away, Joyce sold the house and moved back to Alexandria. For the last 7 years, Joyce has lived at Edgewood Vista in Alexandria. Joyce was cared for by the loving staff at Edgewood Vista and in the final months the wonderful, kindhearted hospice staff from Knute Nelson. We are incredibly grateful for the love and compassion they showed mom.

Hubert and Joyce purchased lake shore property on Lake Moses in Millerville, MN in 1969. Because of their generosity, hospitality, and love of people, it has been the gathering center for family. It will continue to be cherished by the kids, grandkids and great grandkids as a legacy of love of family.

Joyce is preceded in death by her husband, Hubert, daughter Kathleen Goodin, daughter-in-law Marci Shea, brother Donald Hanson, and parents, Lawrence and Dora Hanson.

# In Loving

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