

*A good woman is hard to find,  
 and worth far more than diamonds.  
 Her husband trusts  
 her without reserve,  
 and never has reason to regret it.  
 Never spiteful, she treats him  
 generously all her life long.  
 She shops around for the best yarns  
 and cottons,  
 and enjoys knitting and sewing.  
 She's up before dawn,  
 preparing breakfast  
 for her family and organizing  
 her day.  
 She looks over a field and buys it,  
 then, with money she's put aside,  
 plants a garden.  
 First thing in the morning, she dresses for work,  
 rolls up her sleeves, eager to get started.  
 She senses the worth of her work,  
 is in no hurry to call it quits for the day.  
 She's skilled in the crafts of home and hearth,  
 diligent in homemaking.  
 She's quick to assist anyone in need,  
 reaches out to help the poor.  
 She doesn't worry about her family when it snows;  
 their winter clothes are all mended and ready to wear.  
 When she speaks she has something worthwhile to say,  
 and she always says it kindly.  
 She keeps an eye on everyone in her household,  
 and keeps them all busy and productive.  
 Her children respect and bless her;  
 her husband joins in with words of praise:  
 "Many women have done wonderful things,  
 but you've outclassed them all!"  
 Charm can mislead and beauty soon fades.  
 The woman to be admired and praised  
 is the woman who lives in the Fear-of-GOD.  
 Give her everything she deserves!  
 Festoon her life with praises!*



~ Proverbs 31

IN LOVING MEMORY OF

# Joan Rosina Barutt

WHO WAS BORN  
 August 23, 1930  
 Freeport, Minnesota

AND CALLED TO HER ETERNAL HOME  
 January 3, 2024  
 Graceville, Minnesota

MASS OF CHRISTIAN BURIAL  
 Monday, January 8, 2024 - 11:00 a.m.  
 Holy Rosary Catholic Church  
 Graceville, Minnesota

CELEBRANT  
 Father Brian Oestreich

MUSICIANS  
 Deb Needham, Organist  
 Arens Girls, Vocalists

CASKET BEARERS  
 Dennis Barutt | Mark Barutt | Chad Barutt  
 Baker Haar | Charlie Seitzer | Amy Williams

HONORARY BEARERS  
 Rachel Howard | Susie Marcks | Alex Barutt  
 Emily Seitzer | Beth Haar | Dena Kopfmann | Claire Marquez  
 Elizabeth Bechaz | Christina Fernatt | Dustin Wahlert

INTERMENT  
 Graceville Consolidated Cemetery  
 Graceville, Minnesota

APPRECIATION  
 Joan's family is grateful for your attendance at this service.  
 Your expressions of kindness and love are deeply appreciated.  
 Following the interment, please join the family for a time of  
 food and fellowship in the Holy Rosary Parish Center.

*Mundwiler and Larson Funeral Home  
 Graceville, Minnesota*

Joan Rosina (Hoeschen) Barutt was born on August 23, 1930, in Freeport, MN, to John and Margaret (Fabeck) Hoeschen. Joan spent her formative years in Freeport, MN, with her seven siblings.

On May 26, 1951, Joan was united in marriage with Herman “Whitey” Barutt in Freeport, MN. The two made their home in Devils Lake, ND. They moved to Twin Valley, MN, and later Minneota, MN. Eventually, they settled in Graceville, MN, where she resided until her passing.

Joan's educational journey led her to earn a high school diploma and graduate from Freeport High School with the Class of 1948. As a devoted homemaker, Joan created a warm and nurturing environment for her loved ones. Her selflessness knew no bounds, and she devoted her time and love to raise her 10 children. Joan's boundless love and support were a constant source of inspiration for her children.

Throughout her life, Joan was an active member of her community and found fulfillment in serving others. She served as a dedicated member of the Graceville High School Board and offered her assistance in the school library and study hall. In addition, Joan opened her heart and home as a trusted daycare provider, sharing her nurturing spirit with many children over the years.

Joan's faith was an integral part of her life, and she was a devoted member of Holy Rosary Catholic Church in Graceville. Her commitment extended beyond attending services, as she served as the principal of the CCD Program and had the honor of receiving the esteemed Bishop's Award for her outstanding contribution and dedication to the church community.

Beyond her community involvement, Joan cultivated her passions and hobbies. As a member of the Lakeside Quilters Guild, she embraced the art of quilting, creating intricate pieces that showcased her creativity and precision. Her love for bowling, golfing, sewing, cuisine, and baking, especially her renowned cookies, brought joy to all those who had the pleasure of experiencing her creations. Joan also canned the produce Whitey's gardens produced and even taught many family members how to can. Family was Joan's greatest treasure, and she showered her grandchildren and great-grandchildren with boundless love and affection. Their laughter and smiles brought immeasurable joy to her life.

Left to cherish Joan's memory are her children: Dennis Barutt of Becker, MN; Margaret “Peggy” (Ed) Adams of Rapid City, SD; Michael (Linda) Barutt of Graceville, MN; Herman Barutt of Wheaton, MN; Edward Barutt of Graceville, MN; Theresa (Ordean) Kopfmann of Minneota, MN; Daniel (Jill) Barutt of Charlevoix, MI; Thomas (Rhonda) Barutt of Cavour, SD; and Christa (Marvin) Achtenberg of Hot Springs, SD; 12 grandchildren; 18 great-grandchildren; along with several nieces and nephews.

She was preceded in death by her husband, Herman “Whitey” Barutt; son, Philip “Popper” Barutt; brothers: Leo Hoeschen, Jr. and James Hoeschen in infancy; and sisters: Evelyn Hart, Helen Becker, Jeanette Brickweg, Beatrice Pryatel, and Viola Ware.

