

Joan Fezler, died at the age of 86 years old on Tuesday, May 23, 2023, at Alomere Health in Alexandria.

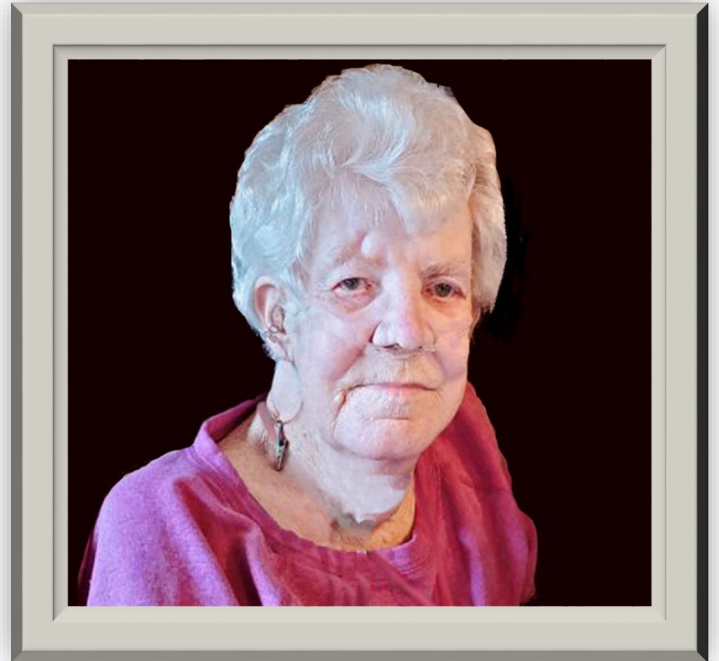
Joan Frances Trisko, the daughter of Frank and Mildred Trisko, was born on April 28, 1937, at St. Luke's Hospital in Alexandria, MN. In 1955, she graduated from Central High School in Alexandria. While in High School she was active in the future nurse's club, future teachers club, theater club, and the junior and senior class plays. She attended St. Francis School of Nursing in Breckenridge, MN 1955 – 1958. After nursing school, she worked at Our Lady of Mercy Hospital. In 1962, the Practical Nursing program was established at the once, Alexandria Area Vocational – Technical School, now, Alexandria Technical & Community College. This was the fourth program created at the school and Joan was one of three Registered Nurses who pioneered this program. She was very proud of her nursing degree and loved visiting with fellow nurses who were caring for her in her later years, asking each one of them, "Where did you go to nursing school?" After a 17-year career as a Clinical Instructor in Practical Nursing, she worked in two local nursing homes as Director of Nursing for 5 years. In 2002, Joan took a 3-month Registered Nurse Refresher Course through Alexandria Technical College and had her nursing license reactivated as there was a nurse shortage and thought she may need to go back to work for a bit to help the profession.

Joan married, Myron "Mickey" Fezler on Oct. 20, 1958, in St. Paul Park, MN, after dating for 5 years so she could finish nursing schooling. They were married for 63 years. To this union, two children were born, Susan and Lisa. Together they raised their family in Alexandria. She enjoyed traveling, camping, fishing, reading, trips to the casino, flea markets, cooking (and she was an amazing cook), and being with family and friends. She was a caretaker her entire life and together her and Mickey were care givers in their home and outside of their home to many elders or people in need.

She is survived by her daughters; Sue Nelson of Alexandria and Lisa (Eric) Berglin of Alexandria; grandchildren, Heather (Jason) Weber of Wahpeton, ND, Ryan (Christy) Nelson of Alexandria, Justin Nelson of Alexandria, and Michael Berglin of Alexandria; great grandchildren, Alexis Nelson of Alexandria, Christopher Weber of Wahpeton, ND, Colton Nelson of Alexandria, and Kylee Weber of Wahpeton, ND; great great granddaughter, Raelyn Anderson of Alexandria; brother Frank Trisko of Balsam Lake, Wisconsin/Cape Coral, FL; brothers-in-law, Gerald Fezler of Cedar Lake, IN and Richard Floding of Alexandria; and sister-in-law Jan Floding Jobe of Alexandria.

Preceded in death by her husband, parents, brother William "Billy" Trisko, and bothers-in-law LeRoy Fezler and Leonard "Swede" Floding.

In Loving Memory



Joan Fezler *1937-2023*

The Day God Called You Home

*God looked around His garden
and found an empty space.
Then He looked down upon the earth
and saw your tired face.
He put his arms around you,
lifted you to rest.
God's garden must be beautiful,
for He only takes the best.
He knew that you were suffering.
He knew you were in pain.
He saw the road was getting rough,
and the hills were hard to climb.
So He closed your weary eyes,
and whispered, "Peace be thine".
It broke our hearts to lose you,
but you did not go alone.
For part of us went with you,
the day God called you home.*

In Memory of

Joan Fezler

April 28, 1937



May 23, 2023

Mass of Christian Burial

Church of St. Mary
Alexandria, Minnesota
Tuesday, May 30, 2023
11:00 AM

Officiant

Father Matthew Kuhn

Urn Bearer

Heather Weber Ryan Nelson
Justin Nelson Michael Berglin

Interment

St. Nicholas Catholic Cemetery
Belle River, Minnesota