

Janet Jossart was born January 1, 1932, in Benson, MN, the daughter of Richard and Agnes (Sather) Jossart. She was raised on the family farm south of Benson. And attended country school through the eighth grade.

Janet was united in marriage to Jerry Voorhees on January 13, 1951. When Jerry entered the United States Army and was stationed at Fort Rucker, AL Janet moved to Alabama to be with him. After about one year in Alabama Janet returned to the Benson area and began raising her family. Jerry and Janet were blessed with six children. The family moved to Willmar for a short time and on to Marshall, MN where Janet worked in the Schwann's sandwich plant.

In 1993, Jerry and Janet retired to Lake Ida near Alexandria, MN. She enjoyed living on the lake.

Janet was a good Norwegian who disliked lutefisk but loved lefse. She was a wonderful camping partner. She enjoyed playing cards, working puzzles, eating peanut brittle and loved playing with her grandchildren and great grandchildren.

On Thursday, April 16, 2020, Janet joined the angels at the age of eighty-eight years young. She was welcomed with open arms by her parents; her son, Robert; and many other loved ones. Janet is survived by her husband of sixty-nine years, Jerry Voorhees; daughter-in-law, Mary Voorhees; children, Alan Voorhees and wife, Michele, Colleen Anathan and husband, Jim, Julleen Roush and husband, Leo, Terry Voorhees and wife, Kris, and Jennifer Karrow and husband, Jeff; She is also survived by her loving siblings; Adeline Ellingboe, Joan Razink and husband, Delmer, Marilyn Larson and husband, Kermit, and Richard Jossart and wife, Linda; brothers-in-law, Ward Voorhees and wife, Carol and Del Voorhees and special friend, Marlys. Janet was grandmother to fourteen children; and great grandma to eighteen children.

We continue to be blessed to have had her in our lives for many years. We will always miss her.

All her family loves you for all your love and support.

I'm Free

Don't grieve for me, for now I'm free
I'm following the path God laid for me.
I took His hand when I heard Him call
I turned my back and left it all.
I could not stay another day
to laugh, to love, to work or play.
Tasks undone must stay that way.

I found that peace at close of day.
If my parting has left a void
then fill it with remembered joy.
A friendship shared, a laugh, a kiss,
Ah, yes, these things I too will miss.

Be not burdened with times of sorrow
I wish you the sunshine of tomorrow.
My life's been full; I've savored much,
good friends, good times, a loved one's touch.

Perhaps my time seemed all too brief,
don't lengthen it now with undue grief.
Lift up your hearts and peace to thee

God wanted me now; He set me free.

In Memory of

Janet Voorhees

January 1, 1932



April 16, 2020



Memorial Service

Anderson Funeral Home
Alexandria, Minnesota
Monday, April 20, 2020
1 PM

Officiant

Christianna Jahn

Honorary Pallbearers

All of Janet's Grandchildren
And Great Grandchildren

Interment

Kinkead Cemetery
Alexandria, Minnesota

