



Loris Markstrom

September 15, 1931 - April 21, 2018

Loris (Lorie) Caroline Gumpert Markstrom, beloved mother, grandmother and great-grandmother, died Saturday, April 21, 2018 at the age of 86. Under the care of the staff at The Waters, Johnson City and Amedisys Hospice, Elizabethton, Tennessee, Lorie's last few years were inspirational to her family and to many others who grew to know her.

Lorie served the community for over 25 years as an employee in the Johnson City Public School System working in the cafeteria of South Junior High School and as cafeteria manager at Stratton Elementary School. Her constant focus was providing healthy, nourishing meals for students and teachers alike.

From the time Lorie moved from Lacota, Michigan to Johnson City, Tennessee in 1961, she attended Our Saviour Lutheran Church. She was a regular in the church choir singing soprano, as well as a member of the Fellowship Committee and Quilters Guild. She was also an avid bowler for many years participating in local bowling leagues.

Her passion for gardening with her husband, Harold Markstrom, who preceded Lorie in death in 2012, provided bouquets brightening the lives of many to those in the community. Her hand-knitted and crocheted blankets also warmed the lives of many people.

A graduate of South Haven High School in South Haven, Michigan, Lorie married Harold Edward Markstrom in 1950. Together they raised their 3 children, Michele, Brian and Krista. Brian preceded his parents in death in 2009. Lorie is survived by daughter Michele Markstrom-Frisch and husband Mike Frisch, granddaughter Kara Grubbs Patrick, great-grandson Noah, Kara's partner Justin Case and his son Jiah; grandson Kristopher Grubbs and his wife So Young Yoon and great-grandchildren Kristin and Ian; daughter Krista Markstrom-Boon and husband John Boon, grandsons Tom Finley and Colin and Brayden Lodter; sister-in-law Carol "Mae" Markstrom; dear family friends Penny and Chuck Bullock, Coleen Smith, Doris Lowe, Joy Fields Miller, Tom and Mary Finley, Dan Lodter, and many nieces and nephews.

The family will hold visitation beginning at 1:00 p.m. at Our Saviour Lutheran Church with Lorie's memorial service beginning at 2:00 p.m., Saturday, May 19, 2018. At Lorie's request, a celebration will follow the memorial service with an ice cream social presented by Our Saviour's Fellowship Committee.

Our Saviour Lutheran Church is located at 212 Sunset Drive, Johnson City, Tennessee 37604. For directions, please refer to the church's website: osl2.cc

In lieu of flowers, the family is requesting donations be made to the Parish Nurse program at Our Saviour Lutheran Church, Johnson City, Tennessee.

Previous Events

Visitation

MAY 19. 1:00 PM - 2:00 PM (ET)

Our Saviour Lutheran Church
212 Sunset Dr
Johnson City, TN 37604

Memorial Service

MAY 19. 2:00 PM - 3:00 PM (ET)

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Tribute Wall



“ *Loris Markstrom*

January 29, 2023 at 10:28 PM



“ *Moon, Don, Aleksander and Nikolai purchased the Peaceful White Lilies Basket for the family of Loris Markstrom.*



Moon, Don, Aleksander and Nikolai - May 11, 2018 at 03:59 PM



“ *I took care of Loris at The Waters. I wanted so badly to come but I won't be able to make it. I'm in a wedding that day and there's no way I could be there. I'm so sorry. I've been thinking a lot about her lately and want to send my condolences to her family. I'll miss her dearly.*

Courtney Harris - April 27, 2018 at 02:52 PM