



Mrs. Joan Popkey

September 13, 1943 - August 26, 2023

In loving memory of our mother, Joan Popkey, who passed away at the Foothills Medical Centre on August 26th, 2023 at the age of 79 years. Joan is survived by her husband of 57 years, Gerald; daughters Terri and Anne Marie (Tony); and grandchildren David and William. She was predeceased by her sister Marion, and brother Ralph.

Joan was born in Walkerton, Ontario and took her training to become a nurse in Stratford, Ontario. While she was in training she met her future husband, Gerald. They moved around a bit, living in Sarnia, Brights Grove, and Montreal before finally settling in Calgary, Alberta. She worked primarily in Neonatal Intensive Care Units and absolutely adored those little babies.

She enjoyed socializing with her friends, playing bridge, going for walks, going out for lunch, having coffee and catching up, spending time with her family and traveling wherever she could. She was always up for an adventure.

Our mother was such a kind, caring and giving person. She loved her family and friends so much, most especially her grandsons. She was a strong woman who faced every challenge in her life with courage and dignity. Our mother was a source of inspiration to us all and she will be deeply missed by everyone whose lives she touched.

To honor Joan's memory, we are holding a Celebration of her Life on September 22nd, 2023 at the Heritage Inn Hotel in High River, AB (1104 - 11 Ave SE) from 1-3 pm. We invite anyone who knew her to attend and remember her wonderful life.

In place of sending flowers, we invite you to make a donation to your favorite charity in honor of Joan.

Caring for the family is Lyle Reeves Funerals of High River (Craig Snodgrass)
403.652.4242

Previous Events

Celebration of Life Service

SEP **22**. 1:00 PM - 3:00 PM (MT)

Heritage Inn, High River
1104 11 Ave. SE
High River, AB (CA)

Tribute Wall

CP

“ Everything about Aunt Joan was beautiful....she personified the word. I will always carry her smile and enthusiasm in my thoughts forever. My deepest condolences to Uncle Gerry, Anne Marie, Terri Lynn & family. My prayers are with you all, Love Cheryl, Tyler & Hannah

Cheryl Popkey - September 20, 2023 at 12:16 PM

PG

“ So sorry for Gerry and the families loss! Joan was so kind to me recently on losing my husband ,such a happy lady and fun to chat with ,you will be missed on the corner Joan .
Love and hugs from Paula Gaub and Clancy .

Paula Gaub - September 09, 2023 at 08:18 PM

TB

“ Sincere Condolences and prayers to you Gerry, Terri, Anne Marie and family. "Mama Joan" will always hold a very special place in my heart. I will miss the laughter and visits, with mama Joan. Tucker and I walked past Gerry and Joan's home daily (sometimes 2 or 3 times!), for the past 8 years. Whether it be a knock on the window (from Joan) or a quick yell thru the door.... we were always met with a smile, dog treat (a real no-no!) and one of Joan's beautiful smiles. Such and incredible woman! Mama Joan you WILL be truly missed. Rest in Peace sweet lady. Respectfully and with fond memories..Neal and Tammy Ballhorn (Tucker and Lacey, too)

Tammy Ballhorn - September 03, 2023 at 03:25 PM

GP

“ Sincere condolences to the family on the passing of a dear lady. I knew Joan as a Bridge friend and always enjoyed her sense of humor. Cherish your memories.



Gerri Polanchek - September 02, 2023 at 10:55 AM



“ Sincere condolences to Gerry, Terri, Anne Marie and Toni. Joan was a wonderful lady and gone much too soon. Marg & Wayne

Marg Popkey - September 01, 2023 at 04:19 PM

FS

“ Sincere sympathy to Gerry, Terri, Ann Marie and Tony, David and William in the loss of your dear Joan. She is one of my 26 "sisters" from the Class of '64. Joan is the seventh member of our class to go before us. She will light the way with her twinkly smile and those little babies will miss her cuddles. God's comfort be with each of you. Ferne Schwartzenruber.

Ferne Schwartzenruber - September 01, 2023 at 11:43 AM

BB

“ To Gerry and family - sincere condolences - but I know you will have so many great memories to think of. I got to know Joan through the dental office when I worked there - loved her sense of humor and view of life - especially how much she LOVED the dental scene - but still came when she needed to be there. Thoughts and prayers for all of the family - Betty Bridgett

Betty Bridgett - August 31, 2023 at 11:53 AM

JW

“ Gerry, and family, I'm so sorry to hear about Joan's passing. She was a fun person to be with always a little deprecating of life's challenges and not taking herself too seriously. Although it has been a while, I always enjoyed playing bridge with her. She'll be missed.

Janine winter - August 29, 2023 at 12:25 PM

SV

“ Gerry, Anne Marie and Terry
I am so sorry to hear of your loss.
Joan was a wonderful friend to me for many years.
Our days of being partners in Marathon Bridge
were the best.
I will sure miss my friend
Love to all of you and those Two Grandsons who she adored.
Sherry Visosky 🙏💕

Sherry Visosky - August 29, 2023 at 09:11 AM