



JoAnn E. Shelley

September 6, 1929 - November 10, 2020

JoAnn E. Shelley, 91 year old resident of Little Falls, MN passed away Tuesday, November 10, 2020 at St. Gabriel's Hospital in Little Falls, MN. A funeral service will be held at 11:00 A.M. on Thursday, November 19, 2020 at Grace Covenant Church in Little Falls, MN. Burial will take place in the Minnesota State Veterans Cemetery north of Little Falls, MN. A visitation will be held from 3:00-6:00 P.M. on Wednesday at the Shelley Funeral Chapel in Little Falls, MN and from 10:00-11:00 A.M. on Thursday at Grace Covenant Church in Little Falls, MN. MDH guidelines requiring masks and social distancing will be followed. Funeral arrangements are with the Shelley Funeral Chapel in Little Falls, MN.

JoAnn was born on September 6, 1929 in Minneapolis, MN to the late John and Agnes (Swan) Brustad. She attended school in Minneapolis and graduated from Roosevelt High School with the Class of 1947. JoAnn was united in marriage to Dale A. Shelley on June 5, 1948 at Redeemer Lutheran Church in Minneapolis, MN. She attended the University of Minnesota and graduated in 1957 as a licensed funeral director. In 1958, Dale and JoAnn purchased the Leo M. Thompson Funeral Home in Little Falls, MN. JoAnn worked along side her husband Dale for 30 years until 1988 when they sold the funeral home to their son Steve. The couple enjoyed wintering at Daytona Beach, Florida for 47 consecutive years. Usually, her brothers and most of her sisters were in Florida at the same time. One of the most memorable trips was

spending three weeks in Norway getting to meet relatives. They also enjoyed spending the summer months at their cabin on Gull Lake near Nisswa, MN. She was an active member of Grace Covenant Church in Little Falls as well as the Gideon's and the Royalton Bible Study. JoAnn loved spending time with her family and grandchildren. She was dearly loved and will be greatly missed.

JoAnn is survived by children, Susan (Nick) Brown of Wayzata, MN, Steve (Gwyn) Shelley of Little Falls, MN and Scott (Julie) Shelley of Cambridge, MN; sister, Charlotte Bonstrom of Eagan, MN; sister-in-law, Jean Brustad of Burnsville, MN; grandchildren, Stephanie (Steve) Lindell, Sarah (Justin) Clark, Eric Shelley, Emily (Kyle) Johnson, Leah (Brett) Anderson and Mark Shelley and great-grandchildren, Wyatt Lindell, Liam Lindell, Ruby Clark, Eliud Anderson and Nick Anderson.

JoAnn was preceded in death by parents, John and Agnes Brustad; husband, Dale A. Shelley; brothers, Harold and Lloyd; and sisters, Margaret, Olive, Helen, Dorothy, and Lillian.

Cemetery Details

Minnesota State Veterans Cemetery

15550 Highway 115
Little Falls, MN

Previous Events

Visitation

NOV 19. 10:00 AM - 11:00 AM (CT)

Grace Covenant Church
17117 Riverwood Drive
Little Falls, MN 56345

Funeral Service

NOV 19. 11:00 AM (CT)

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17117 Riverwood Drive
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Tribute Wall



“ *Lemieur Funeral Homes created a Tribute Video in memory of JoAnn E. Shelley*



Lemieur Funeral Homes - November 16, 2020 at 12:31 PM

NS

*What a beautiful remembrance of your mother. In sympathy & love,
Nancy & Tom Simonetti*

Nancy Simonetti - November 16, 2020 at 01:15 PM

DJ

This was a very nice tribute to Mrs. Shelley.

Debbie Jelinski-Harakel - November 16, 2020 at 06:54 PM



“ *JoAnn E. Shelley*

January 21, 2023 at 11:59 AM



“ *Medium Dish Garden was purchased for the family of JoAnn E. Shelley.*



November 17, 2020 at 05:47 PM

MG

“ *Mary and Keith Gustafson purchased the Basket Full of Wishes for the family of JoAnn E. Shelley.*



Mary and Keith Gustafson - November 16, 2020 at 02:52 PM



“ *Sentiments of Serenity Spray was purchased for the family of JoAnn E. Shelley.*



November 16, 2020 at 02:02 PM



“ *43 files added to the album Life Tributes*



Lemieur Funeral Homes - November 16, 2020 at 12:30 PM

FG

“ From The Quammes, Dan&Janet,
Gary&Joan,John&Cheryl purchased the Pink Trib
ute Spray for the family of JoAnn E. Shelley.



From The Quammes, Dan&Janet, Gary&Joan,John&Cheryl -
November 15, 2020 at 02:12 PM



“ Ocean Breeze Spray was purchased for the
family of JoAnn E. Shelley.



November 15, 2020 at 11:49 AM

KN

“ I will miss our talks and lunch gatherings. Sorry for your loss of a
beautiful lady God has tears and so do I

Karon Newcomb - November 14, 2020 at 10:10 AM

DW

“ She was such a nice lady. I didn't know her well but I always
admired her grace and genuine affection for people.
My deepest sympathy to her family.

Debra White - November 13, 2020 at 04:59 PM

LE

“ Our sympathy to the Shelley family.

Lorence and Ardy Eckblad - November 13, 2020 at 04:36 PM

DQ

“ *Our deepest sympathy to the Shelley family. Auntie Jo was a very special person to us & we will miss her!*



Dan & Janet Quamme - November 11, 2020 at 07:37 PM



“ *Sandy Wright Olson sent a virtual gift in memory of JoAnn E. Shelley*



Sandy Wright Olson - November 11, 2020 at 10:58 AM

MR

“ *Mary Jo Retka lit a candle in memory of JoAnn E. Shelley*



Mary Jo Retka - November 11, 2020 at 12:36 AM

DJ

“ *So sorry to hear the news of Mrs. Shelley passing; to all the families my sincere sympathy to you all. She was a special lady. May she rest in peace. God bless you all.*



Debbie Jelinski-Harakel - November 10, 2020 at 11:59 PM

JC

“ *Our deepest sympathy, a truly elegant lady.
Mrs. Paul (Joyce) Crowder and Family*



Joyce I. Crowder - November 10, 2020 at 11:32 PM

BH

“ *Bruce And Patti Hammerbeck lit a candle in
memory of JoAnn E. Shelley*



Bruce and Patti Hammerbeck - November 10, 2020 at 09:19 PM

MS

“ *Mark E Savage lit a candle in memory of
JoAnn E. Shelley*



Mark E Savage - November 10, 2020 at 08:03 PM

DH

“ *Dennis & Janice (Virnig) Hoffman lit a candle
in memory of JoAnn E. Shelley*



Dennis & Janice (Virnig) Hoffman - November 10, 2020 at 07:32 PM

KK

“ So sorry for your families loss. I will keep you all in my prayers.



Kathy Garrison Kloss - November 10, 2020 at 06:43 PM