



Marilyn Jane Fricke

October 19, 1936 - July 5, 2018

Marilyn Jane Fricke, 81, of Petersburg, passed away on Thursday, July 5, 2018, after a year-long battle with pancreatic cancer. When diagnosed with her illness in 2017, she remained dedicated to her family and in her will to fight the cancer. She continued as a brave, iron-willed woman, even throughout her final months.

She was born in a farmhouse in Gardner Township, Sangamon County, on October 19, 1936, to the late Marius and late Irene Hansen. She was baptized into the Christian Lutheran faith on April 9, 1939 and confirmed at Bethlehem Lutheran Church in Petersburg on March 26, 1950. Marilyn graduated from Petersburg Harris High School in 1954.

She married William J. (Bill) Fricke that same year, on June 17, 1954. Together they shared over 63 years of faith, life, and love. He predeceased her on May 30, 2018.

Marilyn was an active member of the community and could frequently be found through the years donating her time to many causes and groups including the Cub Scouts, Town and Country Women's Club, Garden Club, Quilting Club, the Menard County Fair Association, and 4-H.

She maintained a long and dedicated membership to her church, serving as the Bethlehem Lutheran Church secretary for many years. She also was active in many of the Church's organizations from the LWML to the Ladies Aid

Society, along with several others, and also served as a Sunday school and Vacation Bible School teacher.

Marilyn is survived by three children; Mark (LeAnne) Fricke of Petersburg, Lisa (Larry) Garber of Mahomet, and Matthew (Kim) Fricke of Petersburg; one sister, Mary (Claude) Davis of Petersburg; two brothers, Bud (Phyllis) Hansen of Kingsport, TN., and Phil (Cindy) Hansen of Tallula; five grandchildren; Aaron (Kylie) Fricke of Lincoln, Adam (Kelly) Fricke of Springfield, Caleb Fricke of Columbus, OH, Grace Fricke of Petersburg, and Sam Garber of Mahomet; two step-grandchildren; Kaleb (Ashley) Garber of Minonk, Kayeli Garber of Edwardsville, IL; and two great grandchildren; Ryker William Fricke and Lynlee Fricke of Lincoln. She is also survived by numerous nieces and nephews.

The family will receive guests at Hurley Funeral Home in Petersburg on Monday, July 9, from 5-7 pm. A funeral service celebrated by Rev. Jeffrey Gross will be held at Bethlehem Lutheran Church in Petersburg on Tuesday, July 10, at 10 am. Burial will follow at Rosehill Cemetery.

Those who wish may leave memorials in Marilyn's name to Bethlehem Lutheran Church in Petersburg.

Please visit Marilyn's online obituary at www.hurleyfh.com

Previous Events

Visitation

JUL **9**. 5:00 PM - 7:00 PM (CT)

Hurley Funeral Home - Petersburg
122 West Douglas Avenue
Petersburg, IL 62675
(217) 632-2500
<https://www.hurleyfh.com/>

Funeral

JUL **10**. 10:00 AM (CT)

Bethlehem Lutheran Church
120 W Monroe
Petersburg, IL 62675
(217) 632-2453

Tribute Wall



“ *Marilyn Jane Fricke*

October 12, 2022 at 03:07 PM



“ *Arrive in Style was purchased for the family of Marilyn Jane Fricke.*



July 09, 2018 at 09:26 AM



“ *Craig Schaeffer lit a candle in memory of Marilyn Jane Fricke*



Craig Schaeffer - July 07, 2018 at 09:14 AM



“ *Fiery Lily and Rose was purchased for the family of Marilyn Jane Fricke.*



July 06, 2018 at 07:00 PM

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“ Tony & Jennifer Cruz purchased the Peaceful White Lilies Basket for the family of Marilyn Jane Fricke.



Tony & Jennifer Cruz - July 06, 2018 at 04:54 PM