



Marjorie Jesse Johnson

February 6, 1927 - December 23, 2022

Marjorie Jesse (Gapske) Johnson was born February 6, 1927, in Alpena, MI. She was a 60 year resident and active member of the Berkley, MI area. Most recently Marge resided at Sunrise Assisted Living in Bloomfield Hills, MI. She graduated from Rogers City High School in 1945. After graduating from Del Mar Beauty School, Detroit, Michigan in 1946, she worked in Detroit as a cosmetologist. In Detroit she met her future husband, Robert U. Johnson. They married on August 3, 1946, at St. John's Lutheran Church in Rogers City, MI. While raising 5 children, Marge worked various part-time jobs as a cosmetologist and acquired the skills of a Photograph Retoucher. Marge retouched photographs at Elaine Studios for 20 years. She was very active in the Professional Photographers of Michigan Association and held various leadership positions on committees. Marge was always giving of her time and was an avid fundraiser for United Way in the sixties and other agencies throughout her life.

Her husband Bob and her parents, Flora (Jesse) and William Gapske and brother Ralph Gapske are deceased. Her children are W. Thomas (Susan Louise), Cynthia Harris, Rodney (Susan Marie), Jennifer McPartlin, and Christian (Norma). She had 15 grandchildren, 15 great grandchildren and 2 great great grandchildren.

Marge enjoyed her pets, and she loved bike riding, traveling, winter sports and

quilting. Marge was a Girl Scout leader and the original hockey Mom. She loved taking her boys to sporting events and providing support for the teams. She also attended a lot of her grandchildren's sporting events and whatever other activities they were in. She was active in local bicycle rides and completed 25 trips across the state of Michigan on the Pedal Across Lower Michigan (PALM) organized bike ride. She volunteered as a committee member and a site chairperson for multiple PALM sites.

Marge treasured caring for and spending time with her family. She always had a cheerful smile and greeting for everyone. She was much loved and will be missed by all.

Contributions in Marge's memory can be made to Michigan Trails & Greenways Alliance at michigantrails.org

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“ Joyful Memory was purchased for the family of Marjorie Jesse Johnson.



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