

Joan Carolyn Sorensen



PORT WING – Joani C. Sorensen aka pot holder lady, age 72, of Port Wing, went to be with the Lord following complications from esophageal cancer surgery on January 27, 2016 in Duluth, Minnesota. Joani was born on May 9, 1943 in Ashland, WI., to Einar and Vivan (Anderson) Sorensen.

She graduated 1961 from Lorain High School and continued her education at the Lorain Business College in Lorain, OH. She worked for the Ohio State Bureau of Statistics in Columbus, OH., and retired in 2000 after 33 years from USS/

KOBE in Lorain, OH, she then returned to Port Wing, WI. Joani volunteered for Memorial Medical Center thrift store and was recognized for over 500 hours of labor. In 2013 was recognized for 10 years of service to RSVP (Ashland, Bayfield and Iron Counties Retired Senior Volunteer Programs). She crocheted baby receiving blankets and pot holders for Community Care (missionary group). Joani gave potholders to friends, family, teachers, bank tellers, doctors and nurses, post masters, ect. Hobbies included crocheting, basket weaving and photography. She was a member of Erie Shores Photography Club in Elyria, OH. She loved Gaither Home Coming music, including Mark Lowry.

She is preceded in death by her parents, Einar and Vivan Sorensen. She is survived by sisters, Ina Sorensen, Port Wing, WI., Terrie (Orvis) Addleman, Ashland, OH., Rita Sorensen, Toledo, OH., nieces: Becky Addleman, Pella, Iowa, Laura (Jason) Penley, Philadelphia, PA., Jillianne Howat, Toledo, OH., great niece Sydney and great nephews Caleb, Tyler and Jordan. Many uncles, aunts and cousins. Memorial Service will be 1:00 pm, Tuesday, February 2, 2016 at the Bratley Funeral Home Chapel, Washburn WI., Officiating Pastor Rod Larson. Private interment will be held at a later date.

In lieu of flowers, the family requests donations to Wounded Warriors Project and American Cancer Society.

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