



Mrs. Lorraine E. Smits

July 23, 1934 - August 8, 2022

Lorraine E. Smits, Green Bay, died peacefully at home surrounded by her loved ones on Monday, August 8, 2022. Lorraine was born in Green Bay, the daughter of the now late Paul and Laura (Barlament) Priewe. On June 22, 1957, she married Henry J. Smits Jr. and the couple enjoyed over 44 years together. Henry preceded her in death on December 17, 2001. Lorraine was an avid reader and had a very impressive library of books. She was an accomplished and published writer of short stories, poetry and Haiku and belonged to many writing groups. She loved getting together with her friends to play bridge. Lorraine was a devoted Catholic and loved volunteering for the church. She was a loving mom, grandma, great-grandma, a friend to many and will be lovingly remembered and sorrowfully missed.

Lorraine is survived by her children: Marianne (John) Hoes, Laura (Larry) Decker, Jennifer Barrett, Jonathan (Jamie) Smits, Kathleen (David) Wooldridge, Kristine (Joel) Harris, Suzanne (Greg) Gray, Sarah Smits and Melanie Kontny, 1 son-in-law: Bob Tuttle, 13 grandchildren, 2 great-grandchildren, 3 sisters and 1 brother-in-law: Virginia Mongin, Loretta Meyers and Margaret (Tim) Eggen, 1 brother: Richard Priewe, 2 sisters-in-law: Jan Priewe, Carol Priewe. She is further survived by nieces, nephews, other relatives and friends.

She was preceded in death by 1 son: William Smits, 2 grandchildren: Joseph and Aero, 3 brothers and 2 sisters-in-law: Gerda Priewe, David (Phyllis) Priewe, Dan Priewe, Tony Priewe.

Gathering of family and friends will be held from 10:00 A.M. to 11:00 A.M on Friday, August 12, 2022 at. St. Matthew Catholic Church, 130 St. Matthew Street. A Funeral Service will be held at 11:00 A.M. with Rev. Bob Kabat officiating. The family would like to offer a special note of appreciation to Aurora at Home Hospice for all of their loving care and compassion. In Lieu of flowers or other expressions of sympathy a Memorial Fund has been established in her name.

Previous Events

Visitation

AUG 12. 10:00 AM - 11:00 AM (CT)

St. Matthew Catholic Church
130 St. Matthew Street
Green Bay, WI 54301

Funeral Service

AUG 12. 11:00 AM - 12:00 PM (CT)

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Tribute Wall



“ Sorry to hear of the loss of your mom...she was a nice lady and had funny comments to say!

Dana Laudrie - August 11, 2022 at 11:46 PM