



## Joannell Koster

January 12, 1941 - October 25, 2019

Joannell Koster, age 78, of Breda, died Friday, October 25, 2019 at Regency Park Nursing Home in Carroll.

Mass of the Christian Burial will be celebrated at 10:30 a.m. Wednesday, October 30, 2019 at St. Bernard Catholic Church in Breda. The Celebrant will be Fr. Timothy Friedrichsen. Music will be by Marilyn Hundling and the St. Bernard's Choir. Lector will be Eileen Lewis. Gift Bearers will be Emma Wiederien, Malia Wiederien, and Mava Lewis. Honorary Casket Bearers will be Kari Shields, Emily Koster, Abby Koster, Sharon White, Mary Mattox, Katie Koster, and Krista Wiederien. Casket Bearers will be Kyle Koster, Mike Lewis, Kevin Lewis, Brian Koster, Matt Koster, Derik Koster, Zach Koster, and Josh Wiederien. Burial will be in the parish cemetery. The Breda American Legion Auxiliary, and the Antonian College of Nursing will form an honor guard for the funeral mass.

Friends may call at St. Bernard's Church in Breda after 4 p.m. on Tuesday. A rosary will be prayed at 5 p.m., and a Christian Wake Service will be held at 6:30p.m.

Additional visitation will be held at the St. Bernard's Church in Breda on Wednesday morning from 9:30-10:15 a.m.

Funeral arrangements are under the guidance of the Sharp Funeral Home in Breda and online condolences may be left for Joannell's family at [www.sharppfuneral.com](http://www.sharppfuneral.com).

Joannell, the daughter of Dr. A.A. and Mava (Bennett) Blum, was born on January 12, 1941 in Carroll, Iowa. She grew up in Wall Lake and attended Wall Lake High School. She enrolled at Antonian School of Nursing in Carroll, and earned her Licensed Practical Nurse Degree.

On April 8, 1961 Joannell was united in marriage to Leroy Koster at St. Joseph's Catholic Church in Wall Lake. The couple made their home west of Breda where the couple farmed, and she took care of the home. Beginning in 1980 she was employed at St. Bernard's School as Head School Cook, and later held other cooking positions around the area. Joannell had a passion for cooking, winning a blue ribbon at the Iowa State Fair for her Cinnamon Rolls. Every holiday she was called on for her "sweet treats" by many families in the area. She was involved with the Breda American Legion Auxiliary, Rosary Makers where she made countless Rosaries, and St. Bernard's Guild.

Left to cherish Joannell's memory are her children: Kevin Koster, and his wife Annette of Breda, Eileen Lewis and her husband Mark of Cambridge, Chris Koster and his wife Karen of Breda, Tim Koster, and his wife Shery of Silverhill, AL, and Nicky Wiederien and her husband Bob, of Ocean Springs, MS; her daughter-in-law: Lori Koster of Breda; 19 grandchildren; 18 great-grandchildren with 2 more on the way; 1 great-great grandchild; her siblings Mary Schroeder of Wall Lake, Lois Cave of Colorado Springs, CO; her brothers-in-law and sisters-in-law: Maria Blum of Wall Lake, Pat Blum of Birmingham, AL, Maxine (Marv) Heinrichs of Conroy, MN, Ruth (Clete) Heinrichs of Marshalltown, Roger Koster of Elkader, and Delores Koster of Carroll; as well as many nieces nephews and other extended relatives and friends.

Joanell was preceded in death by her parents; husband Leroy on March 1, 2019, her son, Scott Koster in 2012, a son-in-law Ken Young; siblings: Richard "Doc" Blum, Robert "Bob" Blum, Francis (Roma Jean) Blum, and William (Betty) Blum. As well as her sisters-in-law and brothers-in-law, Jim Cave, Clayton Schroeder, William (Loretta) Koster, Velma (Robert) Blum, Doyle (Bernice) Koster, Walt (Viola) Koster, Kermit (Elsie) Koster, Don Koster, and Darlene Koster.

# Tribute Wall

MF

“ *Our thoughts and prayers are with the family.  
Gene and Marla Friedrichsen*



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**marla friedrichsen** - October 31, 2019 at 07:04 PM

BM

“ *Bonnie Malm lit a candle in memory of Joannell  
Koster*



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**Bonnie Malm** - October 30, 2019 at 04:59 PM

MA

“ *So sorry for your loss! Spent many years babysitting for your mom  
and dad. Love and prayers for all of you. Marlene and Loras  
Hoffmann*

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**Marlene** - October 29, 2019 at 07:59 PM

JW

“ *Sending thoughts and prayers to Aunt Joannell's family. She was  
such a wonderful, caring, loving person who always seemed to have  
a smile on her face. She will be deeply missed.*

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**Jane Wagar** - October 29, 2019 at 03:25 PM

JB

“ So sorry to hear about aunt Joanell. She will be missed by many.  
*Rest In Peace.*  
*Love to all. Jess and Becky Blum.*

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**jess blum** - October 29, 2019 at 03:03 PM



“ *Divine Peace Bouquet was purchased for the family of Joanell Koster.*



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October 29, 2019 at 09:10 AM



“ *Country Basket Blooms was purchased for the family of Joanell Koster.*



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October 28, 2019 at 02:30 PM

LC

“ *We are so thankful for Joanell's generous heart. Through her volunteering with LifeServe Blood Center, she has impacted over 6,000 local lives as a chairperson for the Breda Community Blood Drive. LifeServe Blood Bank offers their deepest sympathies to your family and friends.*

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**LifeServe Blood Center** - October 28, 2019 at 01:44 PM

NI

*Mom truly enjoyed her time helping with this cause. She knew it made a difference and it was very close to her heart.*

**Nicky** - December 23, 2019 at 09:55 PM



“ *Beautiful Heart Bouquet was purchased for the family of Joannell Koster.*



October 28, 2019 at 10:18 AM

RF

“ *Roger Koster and Family purchased the Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum for the family of Joannell Koster.*



**Roger Koster and Family** - October 28, 2019 at 09:32 AM

DL

“ *My deepest sympathies to Joannell's family. I got to know your parents through their activity at Cutty's Resort in Spirit Lake. I enjoyed LeRoy's rendition of "She's in Love with my Automobile" and Joannell's infectious smile. They were both very special people and are dearly missed. You are in my thoughts and prayers ...*

**Dawn Ludwig** - October 27, 2019 at 06:52 PM

DF

“ *Dolores Koster and family purchased the Guiding Light Bouquet for the family of Joannell Koster.*



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**Dolores Koster and family** - October 27, 2019 at 05:54 PM

JA

“ *I got to meet Joannell when I was In Regency. We got to know each other well as we sat at the same table for meals. I truely enjoyed her company. My prayers to the family. Jane*



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**Jane** - October 27, 2019 at 10:19 AM

NI

*Jane. Thank you  
Your companionship meant a lot to Mom and us kids.*

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**Nicky** - December 23, 2019 at 09:53 PM