



JoAnn Phelps

May 5, 1939 - May 15, 2012

JoAnn Phelps, 73 of Bayard, died Tuesday, May 15, 2012 at St. Anthony Regional Hospital in Carroll.

Funeral services will be held at 2 p.m. Saturday, May 19, 2012 at the First United Methodist Church in Coon Rapids. Officiating will be Pastor Lynn Gunderson. Organist will be Lula Garnes. The family will receive friends beginning at 1 p.m. on Saturday at the church until time of the funeral service. Funeral arrangements are under the direction of the Sharp Funeral Home in Carroll and online condolences may be left at www.sharpfuneral.com.

Born on May 5, 1939 at Carroll, Iowa, JoAnn was the daughter of Ray and Helen (Brock) Schauf. She grew up in Bayard and graduated from Bayard High School in 1957. Following graduation she worked in Des Moines at Blue Cross and Blue Shield. JoAnn was united in marriage to Earl Lee Phelps on August 24, 1958 at the United Methodist Church in Bayard, Iowa. Earl Lee and JoAnn lived their entire lifetime on their farm southwest of Bayard. JoAnn helped on the farm and with their blacksmith shop until 1986 when she started working at the Bayard Nursing Home and Rehab Center, later working at Thomas Rest Haven in Coon Rapids until her retirement in 2009. JoAnn was also an EMT-B with the Bayard Ambulance Service for many years. JoAnn and Earl Lee were avid Harley riders and took trips to the northwest and western states and spent many years going to Sturgis, South Dakota. She enjoyed her Shelby GT 500 and taking it to trips to Las Vegas and Colorado. Once she retired she became a member of the Bayard Red Hat Club and

enjoyed her morning coffee group. She was a member of the First United Methodist Church in Coon Rapids. JoAnn never knew a stranger and was always happy to visit with her friends and neighbors. She also enjoyed watching her grandson Jacob's soccer games and school events and spending time with family. She was never far from her sister Charlotte. Survivors include her son, Don (Pam) Phelps of Coon Rapids, her daughter, Jody (Dave) Evans of Altoona, and one grandchild, Jacob Evans of Altoona; one sister, Charlotte Ault of Bayard, three brothers, Jack (Mae) Schauf of Ocala, Florida, James (Shannon) Schauf, of Overland Park, Kansas, and Bob (Roseanne) Schauf, of Rio Grande, New Mexico, and many nieces, nephews and cousins.

She is preceded in death by her parents, her husband Earl Lee in 2010, and a son, Michael Dean Phelps, in infancy.

Tribute Wall

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“ Jodi and Don - Please accept my deepest sympathy in the passing of your Mom - JoAnn and I worked together at the Bayard Nursing Home and we will cherish those memories - she was such a joy to work with, She will be missed...

Char Schlepp - May 29, 2012 at 06:50 PM

AB

“ Don and Jodi - Your mom will be missed. I am thinking about both of you. Take care.

Angie Bowman Bristol - May 18, 2012 at 02:30 PM

SB

“ Jodi & Don - you and your families are in our thoughts and prayers. Cousins - Sheri and daughter Marilyn

Sheri Brideson - May 17, 2012 at 09:00 PM

DL

“ Jodi/Don and family: I am so saddened to hear of your mom's passing. We had the best times when we worked together at the nursing home in Bayard. We shared an office -- I can still hear her laughter. She will be missed by many! With sympathy..Deb

Deborah Layland - May 16, 2012 at 08:19 AM