



Johanna "Joh" Benson

July 30, 1934 - November 12, 2017

Johanna "Joh" Benson, age 83, of DeKalb, Illinois, passed away Sunday, November 12, 2017 at Prairie Ridge of Galena in Galena, Illinois. A memorial service will be held at 11:00 a.m. on Tuesday, November 21, 2017 at the First United Methodist Church in DeKalb. A memorial visitation will be held from 5:00 – 7:00 p.m., Friday, November 17, 2017 at Law-Jones Funeral Home in Elizabeth, Illinois. In lieu of flowers memorials may be given to Hospice of Dubuque and the Alzheimer's Association, Greater Illinois Chapter in Joh's memory.

Joh was born on July 30, 1934 in Chicago, Illinois, the daughter of Fredrick M. and Mildred V. (Birch) Eisenzoph. She attended Northern Illinois University, where she earned a Bachelor's Degree in Elementary Education. Joh worked for the DeKalb Public School District for 20 years. Joh married the love of her life Robert "Bud" J. Benson on June 16, 1956 in Chicago, Illinois. They celebrated 47 years of marriage. Bud passed away May 3, 2003 in DeKalb.

Joh was a member of the First United Methodist Church in DeKalb. She was very active in the church and volunteered with the United Methodist Women's Group, Church Confirmation Leader, and various activities in the church. She was also a member of the DeKalb Women's Club; Mother's Club and she was a past Girl Scout Leader. Joh enjoyed traveling, cooking, playing bridge, bowling, art and design. She was a great at planning different events that would benefit others. She always smiled and encouraged others to smile and laugh. Joh truly cherished the time she spent with friends and family. She was a great role model for her own children as well as others.

Joh will be lovingly remembered by her daughter, Elizabeth (Franz) Strack of Elizabeth; a son, Steve (Laura) Benson of Lafayette, Tennessee; five grandchildren; two great-grandchildren with one due in April 2018 and a sister, Gail (Robert) Bush of Clearwater, Florida. Joh was preceded in death by her husband, Bud and her parents Fredrick and Mildred.

Events

NOV 17 **Memorial Visitation** 05:00PM - 07:00PM

Law Jones Funeral Home - Elizabeth
107 South Main Street, Elizabeth, IL, US, 61028

NOV 21 **Memorial Service** 11:00AM

First United Methodist Church
317 N. 4th St., DeKalb, IL, US, 60115

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“ I was blessed to have been fortunate enough to have met Joh and her family during my employment at P.R. What a WHOLESOME ,WELL MANNERED . SWEET WOMAN AND FAMILY !!! Joh always had the kindest words to everyone !!! Her family was her World as she was theirs !! They were with her ALL THE TIME !!! Joh will always have a special place in my heart !!! I have a gift to have known her as I know all my co-workers feel the same !!!
J.Rizzo

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“ A sympathy card was purchased for the family of Johanna "Joh" Benson.



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“ To Joh's family, we are very sorry for your loss. Mrs. Benson was a true gem! She literally started our daughter's school career off in the best way possible. She was a loving and gifted teacher who became a friend too. Together she and Bud were such a wonderful and admirable couple. Our prayers will be with you in the coming days. Most Sincerely, Jim and Joanne Benson....no relation, just honored to share a version of her name!

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