



Mary Lou Mattner

October 11, 1933 - December 28, 2024

Mary Lou Mattner, born October 11, 1933, in Kenosha, WI, passed away peacefully on December 28, 2024, surrounded by her daughters. Against great odds and in challenging times, Mary Lou ran the family campground at Jackson Park, became a nurse, worked numerous demanding jobs, and did all of this with abundant love. She was known for her kindness, resilience, and generosity. Mary Lou embraced life fully and dedicated herself to nursing, caring for others with deep compassion and unwavering kindness.

Mary Lou raised four children, fostered several infants, and welcomed everyone she met as family. She ran the family campground at Jackson Park, where she met the love of her life, Gerald "Jerry" Mattner. They married on July 12, 1987, blending their families and sharing 18 wonderful years filled with love, laughter, grandchildren, and cherished family trips to Colorado.

Mary Lou is survived by her beloved children, Tamara (Bernard) Brever, Daniel James (Carrie) Vogelman, Kathleen (Gayle) Shenkenberg, and Steven (Sharon) Vogelman; stepchildren Lori Mattner and Mike (Shannon) Mattner; grandchildren Zachary (Noel) Brever, Tia (Jesse) Koehler, Anna (Chad) Lemerond, Suzanne (Michael) Albrecht, Katie Vogelman, Kelly Mattner, Rudy Fumich, Jade Mattner, Mason Mattner, Bryce Trafford, Joe (Adan) Neman-Cerrera, Dave, Brenda, Tara, and Alyssa Prochnow, and many others she lovingly called her own. She also leaves behind numerous great-grandchildren, a great-great grandchild, nieces, nephews, cousins, godchildren, amazing friends, and her cherished church family.

Mary Lou's unwavering love, selflessness, and indomitable spirit will live on in the hearts of all who had the privilege of knowing her. Her legacy reminds us to give generously, love deeply, and find joy in life's simplest moments.

A visitation will be held on April 26, 2025, at 10:00 AM, followed by a service at 11:00 AM at Brookfield United Church of Christ, 16350 Gebhardt Rd, Brookfield, WI 53005.

In lieu of flowers, donations may be made to Brookfield United Church of Christ. Special thanks to Linden Grove, New Berlin, and CommonHeart Hospice for their exceptional care.

Tribute Wall



“ *She was a beautiful soul with a radiant smile and a heart of pure love. She will be missed.*

Kathleen Rinear - January 15, 2025 at 12:32 PM



“ *Happy to have met her. She always was smiling. Great time playing Bunco with her. So sorry for your loss 🙏💕*

Joy Harper - January 15, 2025 at 08:58 AM