



Joan Zimbelman

April 26, 1934 - June 24, 2019

Joan Zimbelman, 85, formerly of Murphysboro, passed away at 8 p.m. Monday, June 24, 2019, at the Centralia Manor in Centralia, Illinois.

Joan was born on April 26, 1934, in Murphysboro, to Thomas Riggio and (Sallie) Grace (Vaughn) Riggio.

After at least eighteen years, she retired from St. Andrew School in Murphysboro serving as a cook.

Mrs. Zimbelman was a member of St. Andrew Catholic Church, St. Andrew Altar Society, and Knights of Columbus Ladies Auxiliary in Murphysboro, and a member of the V.F.W. Post # 7190 Ladies Auxiliary.

Joan married Gilbert "Gib" Zimbelman on August 11, 1967, in Murphysboro, and he preceded her in death on September 24, 1986.

She is survived by two children and their spouses Becky and David Shaw of Centralia and Mark and Michele Zimbelman of Murphysboro;

six grandchildren Kellye (McLaughlin) Saad and her husband Marcus Saad, Jessica Spring, Zach (Emily) McLaughlin, Eli Shaw, Ferando, Shaw, and Kimora Shaw;

four great grandchildren Micah Saad, Melia Saad, Abel McLaughlin and Malcolm Saad;

two sisters and one brother Anita (Tim) Reagan of Murphysboro, Tommie Riggio of Carbondale, and Mary Grace Schneider of Metropolis.

She was preceded in death by two sisters Margaret Ann Riggio and Reva Grace Snook, one brother in law Larry Schneider, and her parents.

A Funeral Mass will be held at 11 a.m. Thursday, June 27, 2019, at St. Andrew Catholic Church and burial at St. Andrew Cemetery. Visitation will be from 9 to 11 a.m. Thursday at the church. In lieu of flowers, memorials may be made to St. Andrew School. For more information, please visit www.pettettfuneralhome.com.

Tribute Wall



“ *Joan Zimbelman*

October 23, 2023 at 06:26 AM



“ *This dear sweet soul asked me (while she was riding the stepper machine in Therapy) last month why God had not taken her yet, I said (with tears in my eyes) God's not ready for you,maybe you still have something to teach someone, job well done. She taught me to Love life now. I retired a couple weeks after this talk we had, we had many. Many great memories. I am Saddened by your loss.*

Mary Martin - June 30, 2019 at 11:12 AM



“ *Thoughts and prayers for the family so very sorry for your loss I Loved Joanie I'm sorry I'm sorry I couldn't be there*

Carolyn Beisner - June 28, 2019 at 02:28 PM



“ *Anita, so sorry for your loss. I remember Joan from when we had Girl Scout meetings at your Mother's home. Thinking of you and all your family.*

Judy Freeman McCullough

Judy McCullough - June 27, 2019 at 03:32 PM

JB

“ Deepest sympathy to all the family. She was a table mate and friend to my parents out at the manor. She was always fun to visit with, and she kept my mom active out there. She will be missed by so many.

Jeremy Bryant - June 26, 2019 at 08:53 PM

BW

“ I worked as a therapy aide at Centralia Manor and Joan was my favorite! I could count on her to keep a smile on my face and make me laugh. Anything she needed me to get her while I was around I wouldn't hesitate. She was also a great rummy player and she taught me to be pretty good myself. My only regret when I left the manor is that I wouldn't be able to see her anymore. She was a great woman and I know I will miss seeing her smile!

Bria Webster - June 26, 2019 at 04:44 AM

CH

“ I worked at the Regional Office of Education at the courthouse for many years. I remember Joanie coming in and bringing us fresh cinnamon rolls, so good! So sorry for the loss of a nice lady.

Cathy Hines-Boulton - June 25, 2019 at 11:55 PM

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“ So sorry to hear this about Joanie. She was such a good friend! Becky, your mom was such a good lady and I will treasure my memories of her.

Lynne Ebersohl Provo Ethridge - June 25, 2019 at 06:50 PM

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