

JoClaire was born on July 1, 1948, shortly before her twin brother, Jim, to Vergil and Lilly Paulson. The family lived on a farm west of Belgrade, Minnesota. They were members of Crow Lake Lutheran Church where she was baptized and confirmed. She attended and graduated from Belgrade High School.

On August 20, 1966, Jo married Michael Dickhoff and their marriage was blessed with two daughters, Janice, and Michele. They resided in Willmar, St. Louis Park and Big Lake, Minnesota where Mike passed away on June 2nd, 1973. On October 30, 1976, she was united in marriage to Roger Pederson, and Nicholas and Matthew were added to the family. They lived in Blomkest before settling in New York Mills, Minnesota.

Jo had several occupations during her working career, but her favorite was as a paraprofessional working with children. She retired in 2010 after 24 years in the New York Mills School System. Jo volunteered for many organizations including the VFW Auxiliary, Santa's Anonymous, New Horizons, Girl Scouts and the GFWC. She loved music and singing in her church choir and performing in the group 'Sincerely'. A highlight was when 'Sincerely' was asked to sing the National Anthem at the "Great American Think Off" which was televised on CSPAN. She liked auctions and collected antiques, furniture, Red Wing Crocks, antique clothing, and accessories.

The most important things in JoClaire's life were her family and friends.

Jo's family would like to express heartfelt gratitude to all who have been so very supportive during this difficult time.



## JoClaire Pederson

JULY 1, 1948 ~ SEPTEMBER 22, 2021

Service

St. Peter's Evangelical Lutheran Church New York Mills, Minnesota Monday, September 27, 2021 at 11:00 a.m.

**Clergy** Pastor Ryan Stout

**Pallbearers** 

Nicholas Pederson ~ Matthew Pederson ~ Chuck Brasel Tommy Anderson ~ Nathan Brasel ~ Alex Anderson

Honorary Pallbearers Jerry & Linda Indieke ~ Ken & Betty Becker Brad & Laurie Pederson Jeffery Vaughan ~ Verne Peterson ~ Lori Peterson

> V.F.W. Auxiliary Charles D. Center V.F.W. Post #3289 New York Mills, Minnesota

> > Survived By

Husband: Roger; children: Janice (Chuck) Brasel; Michele (Tommy) Anderson; Nicholas (Teresa) Pederson; and Matthew (Emily) Pederson; grandchildren: Kendra Brasel (Kyle Witt); and Nathan Brasel; Alex and Marissa Anderson; Natalie; Samantha and Rylie Pederson; and Lilly Sun Pederson; and great-grandchildren: Lillianne and Gracelyn; sister: Renee Paulson; brothers: Jim (Jean) Paulson; Eric (Kristi) Paulson; and Peter (Audrey) Paulson; many close Paulson, Dickhoff, and Pederson relatives, and a host of friends

> Laid to Rest Crow Lake Cemetery, Belgrade, Minnesota

