



Joanne Greene

May 8, 1944 - October 2, 2022

Joanne Greene, 78, of Indianapolis, passed away October 2, 2022, in her home and surrounded by her family holding her hands. She was born May 8, 1944 in Indianapolis to O.C. and Mary B. Shockley. Joanne was a 1962 graduate of Rockville High School. She earned an Associates degree in business administration from Indiana State University and was employed with U.S. Steel Corporation for seven years. She took a hiatus from working outside the home to raise her two children while living in Cedar Rapids, IA. After moving back to Indianapolis, Joanne was employed by the American Legion National Headquarters where she was part of the team that helped prepare for the annual Legionaire National Convention. Later, her desire to work closer to home led her to take a position with Sallie Mae as a Loan Consolidation Specialist for six years before retiring to be with her husband and children. While bravely battling Rheumatoid Arthritis for 34 years, Joanne will always be remembered for being a cheerful and positive person who loved people and a good joke. She was an avid reader and a devout United Methodist. Joanne especially adored her granddaughters and felt fortunate to participate in their lives and weekly activities before she passed.

Joanne is survived by her loving husband of 56 years, Russell L. Greene; children, Kimberly “Kimmy” Greene (Donna Scalf) and Russ “Rusty” Greene (Michelle Greene); and granddaughters, Madison and Norah. She was preceded in death by her beloved parents, O.C. and Mary B. Shockley;

grandparents whom she spent many years with as a baby, Oscar C. Sr. and Leah Shockley; and aunt and uncle, Quinton and Barbara Shockley.

A Celebration of Life service will be held May 20, 2023 at 11:00 a.m. at Robertson Chapel, St. Luke's United Methodist Church, 100 West 86th Street, Indianapolis, IN 46260 with visitation from 10:00 a.m. until 11:00 a.m. in the Community Room, St. Luke's United Methodist Church. An announcement with location and time of the service will be posted on her CaringBridge website in the coming weeks. Condolences may also be offered on her CaringBridge site: <https://www.caringbridge.org/visit/joanneshockleygreene> Memorial contributions may be made to the Arthritis Foundation: <https://www.arthritis.org/>.

Final arrangements and care are entrusted to Shirley Brothers Fishers-Castleton Chapel.

Previous Events

Visitation

MAY 20. 10:00 AM - 11:00 AM (ET)

St. Luke's United Methodist Church, Community Room
100 West 86th Street
Indianapolis, IN 46260

Celebration of Life

MAY 20. 11:00 AM (ET)

St. Luke's United Methodist Church, Robertson Chapel
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Tribute Wall

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“ Dearest Russ It was so wonderful to see you last night. I'm so very sorry for your loss Joanne was beautiful through and through and will be missed forever. George and I want to express our love to you and our hope to strengthen our friendship NOW. You have so many that love you-happily George and I are on your BFF list. My wonderful memories of Joanne's total openness to new friends, a glowing love of all things. I always loved sitting next to her (although we had Covid and everyone had loss and too much solitude. Joanne and I bonded through our mutual love of reading I still have my collection of "books to read" from her - and I'm sure my lists are probably somewhere. I'd like to offer a hand when you daughter is there and give a free hand if you need help with closets and such. I'm free and can also bring over bread and a homemade comfort soup. Be strong but also be able to cry and need hugs from friends. At this time strength is just a facade. George and I are here with prayers - and time to reminisce wonderful memories of her life We are hugs away. Much love, Jan and George What memorial donation would she have liked?

Janet Rodgers - October 19, 2022 at 06:53 AM