



## Joan Braunecker

April 30, 1940 - November 19, 2020

Dateline Jasper, Indiana

Joan Braunecker, age 80, of Jasper, Indiana, passed away at 2:46 p.m. on Thursday, November 19, 2020, at home.

Joan was born in Jasper, Indiana, on April 30, 1940, to Roman and Stella (Henke) Hopf. She married Donald Braunecker on October 8, 1959, in St. Mary Catholic Church in Ireland, Indiana. He preceded her in death on December 23, 1999.

Joan worked at the Schnitzelbank Restaurant in Jasper for 18 years, then at K-Mart for five years, and retired from St. Vincent de Paul, where she had worked 11 years.

She was a member of St. Joseph's Catholic Church in Jasper, Indiana since 2004, and was a former member of St. Anthony Catholic Church for 40 years, where she sang in the church choir, taught religion, belonged to prayer groups, and St. Mary Catholic Church in Huntingburg, Indiana, for five years. She was also a member of the St. Anthony Home-Ec.

Joan made many quilts for the St. Anthony and St. Mary church picnics. She enjoyed travelling to foreign countries, and volunteering at Good Samaritan

and Brookside nursing homes. She also enjoyed making the family tree book and recently made scrap books for her two great grandchildren.

Surviving are three children, Teresa (Rick) Knies, Jasper, IN, Steven (Deanna) Braunecker, Huntingburg, IN, Diane (David) Schnell, Schnellville, IN, four grandchildren, Kyle Knies, Travis Schnell, Emily Ward, Josh Braunecker, two great grandchildren, Mason Knies and Thea Ward, three sisters, Patricia (Eugene) Fleck, Huntingburg, IN, Kathy (Denny) Hassler, Terre Haute, IN, and Martha (Danny) Blackburn, Evansville, IN.

Preceding her in death besides her husband, are one grandson, Jared Knies, one sister, Mary Jane Wagner, and one brother, Kenny Hopf.

A private family service will be held at St. Anthony Catholic Church, with burial in the church cemetery.

Memorial contributions may be made to St. Vincent de Paul Society or to a favorite charity.

Online condolences may be made at [www.becherkluesner.com](http://www.becherkluesner.com).

# Cemetery Details

## **St. Anthony of Padua Church Cemetery**

4444 Ohio Street  
St. Anthony, IN 47575

# Tribute Wall



“ *Joan Braunecker*

January 01, 2023 at 10:54 AM



“ *Joan was a beautiful faith-filled woman. May she rest in Jesus and Mary's arms.*

**Judy & Linus Lampert** - November 22, 2020 at 11:57 PM



“ *Vera Crutchfield lit a candle in memory of Joan Braunecker*



**Vera Crutchfield** - November 22, 2020 at 03:36 PM



“ *From Kenny Hulsman and Louie Schwenk. The Ireland Class of 1958 will make donation to St Vincent de Paul in her name.*

**Madelyn Hulsman** - November 22, 2020 at 10:23 AM



“ *I brought Communion to Joan and am blessed to have known her for these last few precious months. She was a very special lady. I wish peace and comfort to all of her family. She and you are in my prayers.*

*Lynn Marie*

**Lynn Marie** - November 21, 2020 at 10:16 AM

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“ I was 12 years old when my uncle Doc married Mary Jane, Joan's sister. I was in their wedding and spent the night prior to the wedding at the Hopf home. I was SO excited! Joan was also in the wedding. Oh such precious memories! My thoughts & prayers are with you all.

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**Betty Schmitt Huelsman** - November 21, 2020 at 09:33 AM

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“ Dear Hopf family, may God surround you with His healing peace now and forever.

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**Joyce Stenftenagel** - November 21, 2020 at 12:19 AM