



## Marilynn K. Sonderman

December 8, 1935 - August 4, 2022

Marilynn K. Sonderman, age 86, of Jasper, Indiana, passed away on Thursday, August 4, 2022, at Scenic Hills at the Monastery in Ferdinand, IN surrounded by family.

Marilynn was born on December 8, 1935, to Francis A. and Lucille B. (Brumley) Higgins. She married James J. Sonderman on September 17, 1955 at St. Paul's Catholic Church in Danville, Illinois. He preceded her in death on March 14, 2009.

She was a graduate of Jasper High School class of 1953.

Marilynn owned and operated Furniture Suppliers Incorporated in Jasper alongside her husband and later her son.

Marilynn was on the Board of Trustee of Saint-Mary-Of-The-Woods college for nine years. She was a member of Saint Joseph Catholic Church, Daughter of Isabella, Saint Anns Society and Beta Sigma Phi Sorority.

Marilynn loved golf and bowling. She enjoyed reading, traveling, and spending time with her family. One of her greatest privileges was receiving the eucharist from Pope Benedict at the canonization of Saint Mother Theodore Guerin in Rome.

Marilynn is survived by two daughters; Marja (Mark) Schatz, Siberia, IN and Amy (Jeff) Woods, Coggon, Iowa, one son; John (Judy) Sonderman, Jasper, IN, four granddaughters; Melissa (Nathan) Toothman, Elizabeth and Julie Woods, and Shannon Sonderman, one grandson; Brian (Lydia) Sonderman, three great-grandsons; Parker, Case, and Gatlin Toothman, and one brother; Tim Higgins.

Preceding her in death besides her husband are two brothers; Bill and John Higgins.

A Mass of Christian burial for Marilyn K. Sonderman will be held at 11:00 a.m. on Monday, August 8, 2022, in St. Joseph Catholic Church in Jasper, Indiana. A burial will follow in Fairview Cemetery in Jasper.

A visitation will be held from 9:00 a.m. until the 11:00 a.m. service time at St. Joseph Catholic Church (Kundeck Hall) on Monday, August 8, 2022.

Memorial contributions may be made to St. Joseph Catholic Church, St. Mary of the Woods College (Terre Haute), St. Meinrad Archabbey, or Sisters of the Providence (Terre Haute).

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

# Cemetery Details

## Fairview Cemetery

1020 Kundek Street  
Jasper, IN 47546

# Previous Events

## Mass of Christian Burial

AUG 8. 11:00 AM (ET)

St Joseph Catholic Church  
1029 Kundek Street  
Jasper, IN 47546

# Tribute Wall



“ *Marilynn K. Sonderman*

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January 01, 2023 at 10:54 AM



“ *I had the pleasure of working on the Board of Trustees at Saint Mary-of-the-Woods College with Jim and Marilynn. Both were dedicated board members and donors to SMWC not to mention being proud parents and grandparents of Woodsies. I will keep both of them in prayer as they are together now in the presence of our beloved Saint Mother Theodore Guerin.*

*Kathy Wentland Lubeznik '80  
Michigan City, IN*

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**Kathy Lubeznik** - August 25, 2022 at 03:36 PM

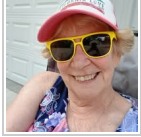


“ *I met Marilyn and Jim when we served as trustees on the St. Mary of the Woods Board. I always enjoyed our conversations and attending the canonization of Mother Theodore with them. Your parents were delightful! It was a privilege to have known them and call them friends.*

*Carmen Hansen Rivera*

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**carmen** - August 19, 2022 at 02:15 PM



“ 8 files added to the album *Pictures of Mom LOVE YOU*



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**Marja Sonderman-Schatz** - August 18, 2022 at 02:24 PM

PD

“ So very sorry to hear of Marilyn's passing. My sympathies to the family.

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**Pam Durcholz** - August 09, 2022 at 12:26 PM

SB

“ So sorry to hear about your Mom she always kept the neighborhood going! I have so many wonderful memories of all of you. I Loved your Mom! Sandy Wigand Braunecker

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**sandy braunecker** - August 08, 2022 at 03:29 PM

MB

“ All of the parents in our wonderful neighborhood helped shape me into the adult I became...but one stands out more than the others....Marilynn.  
Whether she was helping me put out a small kitchen fire because I forgot to put a lid on the pot that I was making popcorn or all the other crazy things I got myself in to, she was always there.  
Thank you for always being my angel on earth.  
As we approach Labor Day, I will (as I do every year) pause a moment and remember everyone walking through the neighborhood with our Labor Day boxes and see Marilyn (with a slight sly little smile) shout out  
Labor Day.

*Rest In Peace*

*Marla Wigand*

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**MARLA BRITTON** - August 08, 2022 at 09:11 AM



*Oh Marla what sweet thoughts and memories ! Thanks !*

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**Marja Sonderman-Schatz** - August 16, 2022 at 11:31 AM

JW

“ I'm honored to have been given the middle name Kay after Marilyn Kay. We will miss you Grandma ❤️

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**Julie Woods** - August 05, 2022 at 11:26 PM

AW

“ *Amy Woods lit a candle in memory of Marilyn K. Sonderman*



**Amy Woods** - August 05, 2022 at 11:18 PM

AW

*Miss you mom!*

**Amy Woods** - August 05, 2022 at 11:19 PM

SB

“ *Sally Byrd lit a candle in memory of Marilyn K. Sonderman*



**Sally Byrd** - August 05, 2022 at 10:18 PM

GH

“ *Gail Heeke lit a candle in memory of Marilyn K. Sonderman*



**Gail Heeke** - August 05, 2022 at 10:10 PM

JP

“ When Jim and I first moved to Jasper we did not know anyone there except for the Sonderman family. Marilyn was always so gracious and kind to us. One Christmas she had us over for dinner with her family. She was truly a kind and lovely lady. My prayer for her family and friends is that they have peace of heart as they begin this new life journey without Marilyn. Jackie Pickett

Jackie Pickett - August 05, 2022 at 09:46 PM

SH

Family of Marilyn, I'm sorry to read of her passing. We were relatives from the Mehringer family. My mother was Helen Lorey Berger. She & Sonny we're cousins. Prayers & Sympathy. R.I.P. Marilyn. Sarah Berger Humphrey

Sarah Humphrey - August 05, 2022 at 11:26 PM



Thanks for your kind words and memories.

Marja Sonderman-Schatz - August 06, 2022 at 12:59 PM

AK

I am so sorry for your loss. So many memories of of our mothers together. May your memories, faith, family, and friends comfort you at this difficult time and in the days ahead. - Ann (Verkamp) Kvach

Ann (Verkamp) Kvach - August 07, 2022 at 07:57 AM

JP

“ My first memory of Marilyn. Our family living in Bryan, Ohio, driving to Danville, Illinois, I was 8 or 9, she 14 yrs., very adult with parents, etc. I think it was Bill's Birthday. I told everyone we got him pajamas instead of leather gloves cause they were too expensive, LOL. Mom was embarrassed. Marilyn was always so nice & funny. I think we both liked each other a lot.  
She was my first cousins. A lot of loving feelings. When we lived in Jasper, Jim & Marilyn always made us feel welcome & helped us with our business. Jim & Jackie Pickett. Ps: She was good people.

Jim Pickett - August 05, 2022 at 09:09 PM



Thanks Jim and Jackie ! She will be missed .

Marja Sonderman-Schatz - August 16, 2022 at 11:33 AM



“ Love you mom !!!



Marja Sonderman-Schatz - August 05, 2022 at 07:12 PM

DS

“ Darren Sroufe lit a candle in memory of Marilyn K. Sonderman



Darren Sroufe - August 05, 2022 at 01:51 PM

JP

*When Jim and I first moved to Jasper we did not know anyone except the Sondermann family. Marilyn was always so gracious and inviting to us. She had us over for one Christmas dinner along with the rest of her family. That was so thoughtful and kind of her. she was truly a lovely lady and I'm sure she will be missed by so many people. My prayer is for peace in the souls and hearts of her family as they begin this new journey without her. Jackie Pickett*

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**Jackie Pickett** - August 05, 2022 at 09:42 PM



*Thanks for the kind words Jackie !*

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**Marja Sonderman-Schatz** - August 16, 2022 at 11:33 AM