



Marianne Braaksma

July 13, 1941 - July 29, 2022

Marianne Braaksma, 81, of Oskaloosa, passed away Friday, July 29, 2022, at the Mahaska Health Hospice Serenity House in Oskaloosa.

Marianne Katherine Braaksma, daughter of "Carl" Cornelius and Katherine (Smedema) Braaksma, was born July 13, 1941, in Columbus, Wisconsin. She attended kindergarten through third grade in Denver, Colorado, before the family moved to Oskaloosa, where she was a 1955 graduate of Oskaloosa Christian School and a 1959 graduate of Oskaloosa High School. Following her education, she worked as a salesclerk and bookkeeper for five years at the Mahaska Bookstore. In 1964, she was hired by the Johnson Abstract Company; she was trained as an abstractor and did accounting for this company. In 1977, she became an owner with Edna Beal and Jack Lamberson of Mahaska Abstract Company. They operated the business together until 1993, when they sold the business to Lyle Seifering, and Mahaska Abstract merged with Johnson Abstract to form Mahaska Title – Johnson Abstract Company. Marianne continued to work through 1998 as an abstractor and office manager.

Marianne enjoyed reading, bowling, traveling, and gardening when she wasn't working. After her retirement, Marianne also enjoyed many winters in Gilbert, Arizona.

She was a member of the Oskaloosa Altrusa Club for many years and a lifelong member of the Central Reformed Church.

Her family includes her brothers, Dean and Gary Braaksma of Oskaloosa; her

nieces: Shari (Mike) Anderson and Charlene (Keith) Olbricht, all of Gilbert, AZ and Angelisa (Chris) Fynaardt and Jennifer Norgaila, all of Oskaloosa; four grandnieces: Madison and Dillan Anderson and Zoe and Sloane Olbricht; and three grandnephews: Drew and Luke Fynaardt and Finley Norgaila, all of Oskaloosa.

In addition to her parents, Marianne was preceded in death by her brother, Tony Braaksma, and a sister-in-law, Judi Braaksma.

As was her wish, Marianne's body has been cremated. A graveside memorial service will be held at 10 a.m., Saturday, August 13, at Forest Cemetery with Pastor Marvin Knoot of Central Church officiating. Please use the cemetery's North 11th Street entrance when attending. Langkamp Funeral Chapel & Crematory is handling the arrangements. Memorial contributions can be made to the Oskaloosa Altrusa Club.

Cemetery Details

Forest Cemetery

934 North 9th ST
Oskaloosa, IA 52577
secretary@forestcemetery.com
<http://www.forestcemetery.org/>

Previous Events

Graveside Memorial Service

AUG 13. 10:00 AM (CT)

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Tribute Wall



“ *Marianne Braaksma*

October 05, 2023 at 11:57 PM



“ *Peaceful White Lilies Basket was purchased for the family of Marianne Braaksma.*



August 11, 2022 at 04:00 PM



“ *My deepest condolences to Marianne's family and community of friends. I first met Marianne in 1967, whilst on the same bus tour around Europe. In 2014, she came to Scotland, to my birthday ceilidhi and made more Scottish friends. She will be missed. I am thankful I knew Marianne and I valued her friendship.*

*Enid Gebbett
(Abernethy, Scotland)*

Enid Gebbett - August 01, 2022 at 10:53 AM

MA

“ Our family will all miss Marianne immeasurably. She was such an important part of our family, as well as our lives. She was a very kindhearted and loving person. She will be missed and thought of forever.
- The Anderson's, Mike, Shari, Madison, & Dillan Gilbert, AZ



Madison - July 31, 2022 at 07:42 PM

DD

“ We are saddened to hear of Marianne's passing. She was a great friend with a big heart. Our condolences to her family from her Canadian friends.

Doug and Phyllis Day - July 31, 2022 at 05:09 PM

MS

“ Love and prayers to Marianne's family



Mary Sandholdt - July 31, 2022 at 04:31 PM

SB

“ Thoughts and prayers to Marianne's family. She was a classmate at Osky High, class of 1959.



Shirley (Heacock) Bloodsworth - July 31, 2022 at 02:58 PM

JR

Marianne was a very thoughtful and kind person. I went through grade school with her and she went to Central church with me. She will be missed by many people. Janna Van Roekel (Van Ommen)

Janna Roekel - August 01, 2022 at 02:43 PM