



## Joy LaVon Potratz

June 8, 1935 - March 12, 2018

Joy L. Potratz, 82, of Wood River, died Monday, March 12, 2018, at Good Samaritan Society in Wood River. All Faiths Funeral Home in Grand Island is serving the family.

Joy was born on June 8, 1935, to Doyle and Nila (Chase) Jeffers in Esbon, KS. She graduated from high school in 1953.

On June 27, 1954, she was united in marriage to Dean Potratz. They made their home and raised their family in the Grand Island area. After their retirement the couple loved to travel. Joy enjoyed reading and crocheting and tating in her spare time. She was a member of Trinity Lutheran Church.

Those that will forever cherish her memory are her children, John (Debra) Potratz of Grand Island, Sandra Brummund of Grand Island, Teresa (Ray) West of Grand Island, and Jodie (Allen) Marshall of Firth and Jerry Potratz; her 15 grandchildren; and her 14 great grandchildren.

Joy was preceded in death by her husband and parents.

Memorials are suggested to Trinity Lutheran Church.

Online remembrances may be left at [www.gjallfaiths.com](http://www.gjallfaiths.com).

# Tribute Wall



“ Joy LaVon Potratz

October 08, 2023 at 11:02 PM



“ I am a life long friend of Joy. We lived a mile apart as the crow flies. Our parents were friends and we spent our birthday's together for years. In our later years we have kept in touch and still had lunch together. She will be missed. You are in my thoughts and prayers. Shirley Lantis Lorence



Shirley Lorence - March 16, 2018 at 02:48 PM



“ I loved taking care of Joy!!! We shared smiles & laughter, Joy was such a blessing to my day. Becky Hongsermeier

Becky Hongsermeier - March 16, 2018 at 12:48 PM



“ I'm sorry to hear of Joy's passing. Her name fit her well, she was so joyful!! I always remembered visiting Joy & Dean with my grandparents, Fred & Nerine Musil. Joy always had a smile on her face, & she was full of laughter. Our visit would be spent with lots of love & laughter. Prayers & comfort sent to the family. Cyndi Avey Bock

Cyndi Bock - March 16, 2018 at 12:44 PM

DH

“ Joy worked for Sukup Manufacturing at our Aurora, NE, distribution center for many years; and her husband, Dean, was a salesman for Sukup before working at the distribution center. Joy was a pleasure for me to work with-- I still recall her laugh. I have a beautiful set of tatted dresser scarves that Joy made that I enjoy every day. May God bless and comfort the family... Diane Hughes

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**Diane Hughes** - March 16, 2018 at 10:34 AM

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“ My sympathy to the family. Sorry to hear of her passing. Mike and Lea Anne Nowak

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**Mike Nowak** - March 16, 2018 at 09:07 AM

JK

“ I am a name sake of Joy LaVon Potratz. I always admired her and she pride of her family. Her parents played cards with my parents, Harry and Carol Kindler along with Bryce and Dorothy Dodd. Joy and Dean taught me how to water ski. I loved every moment I spent with them and with her parents. Heaven is a happy place this month, lot of laughing and telling of long lost stories. Gary Kindler always ran away from home to their house with his diapers and overhalls dragging on the dirt road (as Carol Kindler told it smiling) Joy was a wonderful woman wish I had been able to spend more time with her,  
Joy LaVon Kindler

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**Joy Kindler** - March 15, 2018 at 10:35 PM

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I always have fun with Joy and Dean.they always played cards on visits and I enjoyed her laugh.Jesus will us with the sorrow we feel, Alan and Marilyn Musil

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**alan musil** - March 16, 2018 at 05:01 PM