



Joyce Birk

August 24, 1958 - July 30, 2021

Joyce's life will be celebrated at the Hideaway Bar in Rockville MN at 10 AM on Saturday August 21st 2021 where she and her husband Ray enjoyed family gatherings and the company and banter of lifelong friends.

Although Joyce died too young, she died peacefully in her sleep in her home on Pearl Lake on July 30th, 2021. She was born in St. Cloud, Minnesota to Illa (Levandowski) and John Mamlock on August 24th 1958. She graduated from Apollo High School in 1977.

Joyce met Ray Birk at the 400 Club where Joyce was waitressing. They were married on July 2nd 1988 and lived in their home on Pearl Lake for all their married years. Their door was always open. Joyce went out of her way to make children and pets of families (often squatting on their out lot with campers or tents) feel welcome. Joyce went out of her way to make her wild visitors – squirrels and so many species of birds – feel welcome also. She was generous with her time and would go out of her way to help others in any way she could. Joyce had a heart of gold.

Joyce worked at Fingerhut from 1988 until it closed in 2002. In 2005 Joyce started work at Centra Care Hospital.

Joyce is survived by her spouse Ray and son John. Her father, John

Mamlock, her sisters Debbie (Mamlock) Oaks from St. Cloud, Cindy (Mamlock) Furchner from Mendoza Heights, her brother Bill Mamlock from Alton Illinois and numerous nieces and nephews.

Tribute Wall



“ *Joyce Birk*

January 29, 2023 at 09:26 AM



“ *It breaks my heart that you are gone. My wonderful sister with a gentle soul.
love you sis. RIP
Your little sister*

cindy furchner - August 17, 2021 at 09:09 PM



“ *Joyce was such a warm and welcoming person. Kind and generous to all. We will miss you so much and our family gatherings will never be the same. Love you*

jean and mike birk - August 17, 2021 at 05:40 PM



“ *Joyce and I shared an apartment when I was young. She always had a heart of gold. We spent a lot of time together back then. Her love for children and animals was outstanding. You couldn't ask for a better friend. She was there for me during some rough times. I will treasure the memories. Penny Pogue*

Penny Pogue - August 17, 2021 at 04:25 PM



Joyce always made sure the dogs on our lane in Marty had treats. She was a gentle soul, taken too soon. All of her neighbors and I will miss her.

Lisa Bahr - August 17, 2021 at 10:18 PM



Our deepest sympathy to the whole family. Peace to all.
Gary and Mary Grams

gary & mary Grams - August 18, 2021 at 12:52 PM