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Loretta was a light who didn't take herself or life too seriously. She was always looking for a joke, a prank, a way to have fun and be joyful with others. If there was mischief to be had, you can be certain Loretta was in some way a willing accomplice. She loved to be goofy and silly and enjoyed making those around her laugh. She had a green thumb and loved working in her garden. Loretta was especially proud of her tomato plants. She also loved flowers of any kind and marked each spring by decorating her deck with colorful hanging baskets.

There wasn't a dog who crossed her path that Loretta didn't pet and fawn over. While Darrel is the love of her life, it can be said that Trixie, Snoopy and Ed were also loves of her life. She had great care and compassion for all creatures and enjoyed spoiling her many fur grand dogs just as much as she enjoyed spoiling her grandchildren. As those who love her grieve her passing, her legacy of joy will remain. Loretta experienced many hardships throughout her life, but she never lost her sense of humor. Her journey on earth was one marked with positivity, compassion, and incredible generosity.

Loretta suffered a stroke in 2018 and as her health declined she became a resident at the Good Samaritan Communities in Pipestone, Minnesota. Loretta died Friday, January 31, 2025 at the Pipestone County Medical Center.

Loretta is survived by her Husband, Darrel Johnson; daughter, Debra (special friend Jay) Pankonen of Pipestone, Minnesota; son, Michael (Shawna) Johnson of Slayton, Minnesota; six grandchildren, Josh, Mandy, Samantha, Melissa, Jennifer, Aaron; nine great-grandchildren, Shayla, Owen, Truman, Ivan, Evelyn, Braylen, Mason, Eleanor, Norah; sister, Dorothy Schroeder; sister-in-law, Jerri Johnson; brother-in-law, Manny Mendes.

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Memorial Visitation

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4:00 PM - 7:00 PM

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Owen Olsem

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