



*Celebrating  
a Life*



**Mass of Christian Burial**

**St. Joseph Catholic Church ~ McPherson, KS  
Saturday, April 5, 2025, at 10:00 AM**

**Celebrant**

Fr. Michael Kerschen ~ Fr. John Suenram

**Lectors**

Amy Sowder ~ Julie Porter

**Readings**

Wisdom 3:1-9  
Psalm 25  
1 John 3:1-2  
Luke 23:33, 39-43

**Songs**

All Are Welcome  
Shepherd Me, O God  
Taste and See  
We Shall Rise Again

**Cantors**

Steve & Roberta Burghart

**Guitarist**

Steve Burghart

**Servers**

Adam Guajardo ~ Adriana Guajardo ~ Lucy Rodriguez

**Offertory Gift Bearers**

Mary Kozak ~ Gerry Suenram

**Casket Bearers**

Michael Dupigny-Leigh ~ Nicholas Dupigny-Leigh  
Christopher Suenram ~ James Suenram

**Ushers**

Jerry Feuerborn ~ Brett Reber

**Final Resting Place**

McPherson Cemetery

**Memorial Donations**

In lieu of flowers, memorials are suggested to The Alzheimer's Association or St. Joseph Catholic Church in care of Stockham Family Funeral Home, 205 N. Chestnut, McPherson, KS 67460.

**Appreciation & Luncheon**

Roberta's family wishes to express sincere appreciation for your prayers and acts of kindness, evidenced in thought and deed, and for your presence at this service. *Following the graveside service, the family extends an invitation for all to join them for food & fellowship back at the church in the parish hall.*

**Stockham Family Funeral Home**



*In Loving Memory*  
**Roberta J. Suenram**

**1947 ~ 2025**



## *A Celebration of Life*

**Roberta J. Suenram**

*August 29, 1947 ~ March 26, 2025*



Roberta J. Suenram, age 77, of Lawrence, KS passed away peacefully on March 26, 2025, after a lengthy battle with Alzheimer's disease. Roberta was the eldest of nine children born to Robert and Geraldine Suenram. She is survived by her brothers Fr. John Suenram OCD, Dr. Mark Suenram, Gerald Suenram and Ted Suenram and sisters Paula Dupigny-Leigh, Mary Kozak and Julie Porter. She was preceded in death by her parents, Robert and Geraldine Suenram as well as her brother Tom Suenram, niece Leah Kozak and nephew Jacob Suenram.

Roberta grew up on the Suenram family farm near Moundridge KS, and subsequently their home in McPherson, KS. She had a brilliant career, first as an Xray and MRI technician in Wichita, KS, growing in stature to a role with Blue Cross Blue Shield of Kansas City as Chief

Operating Officer of their affiliate, Preferred Health Professionals.

Roberta's most important role was as daughter, sister, aunt and best friend to her family including her cherished nephews and nieces. Roberta could be counted on as counselor, nurse, cheerleader, coach and shoulder to cry on. She had many close friends, supported several causes and was active in the Democrat Party in Kansas. She was an adventurous traveler and loved her cats. Above all, family was important to Roberta, and she rarely missed the family fishing vacation in Bennett Springs, MO. This year, our family will raise a toast to her spirit as we continue this tradition after more than 50 years.

### *A Good Life*

*When we are gone, and people weep for us and grieve, let it be because we touched their lives with beauty and simplicity. Let it not be said that life was good to us, but, rather, we were good to life.*

*-Jacob P. Rudin*

