

# MARY JOAN (ANDERSON) BLANK

JULY 26, 1932 – NOVEMBER 6, 2023



Joan was the cherished wife of the late Harry J. Blank for 66 years. Loving mother of Susan (Joseph) Constance, Kathleen Lipinski, and Mary Anne (Michael) McMullen; adoring grandmother of Stephen, Matthew (Shannon), Andrew (Cally), Adam, Katy (Josh), Thomas, and Paul; doting great-grandmother of Nathan, Darren, Danielle, Luke, Anna, and Bennett; great-great grandmother of Mordecai; revered sister of

George (Patricia) Anderson; sister-in-law of Eileen (Walt) Postufka, William (Linda) Blank, and Patrick Blank. Also worthy of mention are the AHN Home Health Care and Hospice teams, both of whom administered exceptional care. Joan took immense pride in maintaining an immaculate home; carefully curated pictures and artifacts of fond family memories decorated the space and perfectly complemented the consistent scent of the delicious meals and baked goods she prepared with love. She was the soul of her family, and her home was the physical manifestation of that idea; her door was always open, and love and warmth filled the space as they did her heart. In addition to relishing in time spent with family and friends, her wide-ranging interests included traveling with her husband, Harry, cheering on the Pittsburgh Penguins (especially Joey Mullen), playing, and winning, competitive games, as well as expressing her creativity through writing, crafting, and artwork; Joan's numerous hand-produced portraits are held as prized possessions by the lucky subjects. Her remarkable sense of humor, caring personality, infectious smile, and exuberant laugh are just some of the many qualities that made Joan a blessing to be around. While she will be deeply missed, those who held Joanie close take comfort in knowing she is having her long-awaited reunion with Harry, Miles and her beloved English bulldog; as well as family and friends who preceded her to paradise. Arrangements by **BEINHAUERS** (412) 531-4000. Family and friends are welcome at 2630 West Liberty Avenue, Dormont, on Thursday, November 9th from 2-4 and 6-8 p.m. A Mass of Christian Burial will be celebrated at St. Theresa of Kolkata Parish, St. Pius X Church on Friday, November 9th at 10:00 a.m. In lieu of flowers, please consider a donation to either the Alzheimer's Association, [www.alz.org](http://www.alz.org), or AHN, <https://5814.thankyou4caring.org/hpcare>. Please view or add tributes at [www.beinhauer.com](http://www.beinhauer.com).

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