



Joan Purcell

June 11, 1933 - April 10, 2026

Joan Merthel Purcell passed away peacefully in Leesburg, Florida on April 10, 2026. She was born in Brooklyn, New York on June 11, 1933 to Fred and Olga Hunsucker. She will be remembered as a kind hearted, generous, and caring woman who never met a stranger and had a way of making everyone feel like family. Joan enjoyed the simple things in life. She loved dining out, traveling, going to yard sales, and collecting jewelry. She had a passion for singing and shared many memories tied to her time connected to New York, where she was married to a New York State Trooper. She also had a love for motorcycles and spending time with friends and loved ones. She is survived by her children, Robin (Dale) Bennett of Bushnell, Florida Walter James (Isabel) Haeger of Hampton Bays, New York, and Robert K. Haeger of Hampton Bays, New York; Her brother, Richard (Betty) Hunsucker of Inverness, Florida. Grandchildren, Tara Concannon (Michael) of Boaz, Alabama, DJ Bennett of Bushnell, Florida, and Ali (Brian) Jackson Lopez of Hudson, Florida, Jake and Eric Haeger, along with her great-grandchildren, Luke and Maverick Concannon, Colton, Ashlyn, and Hardin who will continue to carry her memory forward. She was preceded in death by her son, Stephen Mark Haeger of St. James, New York, husband, Jack Purcell, as well as Robert Haeger, and her parents, Fred and Olga Hunsucker. Joan's life was full of love and light and she will be deeply missed by all who knew her. In lieu of flowers, the family kindly asks that donations be made to St. Jude Children's Research Hospital in her honor at

<https://www.stjude.org/donate>. Condolences may be sent to the family <https://www.beyersfuneralhome.com/> Arrangements have been entrusted to Purcell Chapel - Beyers Funeral Home, Bushnell, Florida.

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“Joan was an extremely kind woman. A friend to all. She hosted me during my many visits to Florida to see my Dad, Joe Felan. Something “directed” me to look her up this morning. Condolences to her family. Kathy Felan Jay

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