

# *Joan (Ludvigson) Schnagl*



Joan (Ludvigson) Schnagl, 87, passed on Thursday, December 17, 2020 in Altoona, Wisconsin. She was born on February 21, 1933 in Elk Mound, Wisconsin to Louis “Lars” and Julia (Erickson) Ludvigson.

She was educated in the Eau Claire school system, graduating in 1951 from Eau Claire High School. She attended Wisconsin State College, later known as UWEC.

She graduated in 1956 from the college of St. Scholastica with a degree in Medical Record Administration (Health Information Management).

Following graduation, she was employed at hospitals and nursing homes throughout Wisconsin and Minnesota. She completed her career at Chippewa Valley Technical College teaching for twenty years in the Health Information Management Program which was a fulfilling end to her career.

She was awarded the “Volunteer of the Year” from the Friends of the L.E. Phillips Public Library and the “Distinguished Educator of the Year” from the Wisconsin Health Information Management Association (WHIMA).

She was a member of the City of Eau Claire Board of the Zoning Appeals, the Rape Crisis Center, a founding mother of the Bolton Refuge House and many organizations dedicated to women. Joan worked very hard for the passage of the equal rights amendment.

Joan thoroughly enjoyed her gatherings with her FIFI friends and her rellies.

Joan is survived by her husband of 63 years (married on October 26, 1957), Norman W. Schnagl; two children, Ann Louise Schnagl of Eau Claire, and Karl Otto (Sue Bangsund) Schnagl; three grandchildren, Andrew, Abigail and Allison, all of Prosper, Texas. She is also survived by a sister-in-law, Shirley Burkard, and many nieces and nephews.

She was preceded in death by her sisters, Geraldine (Franklin) Cleasby and Audrey



(Robert) Beaulieu; and brothers, Rodger (Margreth) and Arthur (Dorothy) Ludvigson; and two nephews.

Per Joan's wishes, there will be no visitation or funeral service.

Donations may be made in Joan's honor to the Friends of the L.E. Phillips Public Library (400 Eau Claire St., Eau Claire, WI 54701), the Bolton Refuge House (807 S. Farwell St., Eau Claire, WI 54701) or the Eau Claire County Humane Association (3900 Old Town Hall Rd., Eau Claire, WI 54701).

Chippewa Valley Cremation Services – Celebration of Life Center in Altoona, is assisting the family. To leave an online condolence, please visit

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