



Joan Lynn "Joni" Gorgen

December 7, 1940 - November 10, 2025

Mineral Point – Joan Lynn Gorgen, age 84, of Mineral Point, passed away peacefully and unexpectedly on Monday, November 10, 2025, at Upland Hills Nursing & Rehab Center.

Joni was born on December 7, 1940, in Milwaukee, the daughter of Reuben and Dora (Johnson) Thiede. She graduated from Rufus King High School in 1958 and attended nursing school in Milwaukee, where she met Gregory Gorgen. Joni and Greg were married on May 5, 1962, at St. John's Cathedral in Milwaukee. They later moved to Mineral Point, where Greg worked alongside his father at the Gorgen Funeral Home.

Joni was a devoted wife, mother, and homemaker, raising four children. She actively volunteered for the local boy and girl scout troops, and with the Memorial Hospital of Iowa County Women's Auxiliary. She was a member of the Mineral Point Women's Club and the Red Hat Society. She had a strong faith in Jesus and the Holy Spirit, teaching religious education at St. Mary's Church. Joni was also involved with Aglow International and Faith Lutheran Church in Mineral Point. Together with her mother, Dora, she owned and operated the Town and Country shop in downtown Mineral Point for several years.

She enjoyed attending her children's and grandchildren's sporting events, was

a master gardener, interior designer, and loved traveling. For 20 years, she and Greg spent their winters as snowbirds at The Villages in Florida and her favorite spot, Anna Maria Island.

Joni is survived by her children: Grant (Ann) Gorgen, Mike (Jenny) Gorgen, Steve (Denise) Gorgen, and Beth Larsen; her grandchildren: Lexie (Joel) Whitehurst, Tyra, Grady, Gunnar, Matthew (Tayah), Joshua, Ryan, Joey (Taylor Politoski), Jake (Carley Hach), Jaynie, Kiagh (Mason Horn) Van Etten and Kendall Van Etten; her great-grandchildren Abigail and Myles Gorgen; her brother, Richard (Diane) Thiede; her nieces Dawn Thiede and Rebecca (Joseph) Cleary; her step sister-in-law, Dolores Gronewald; her lifelong friend, Linda Murphy, and many other relatives and friends.

She was preceded in death by her husband, Gregory; her parents, Reuben and Dora Thiede; her in-laws, William and Gladys Gorgen; her stepmother-in-law, Lucille Gorgen; and her step brother-in-law, Don Gronewald.

A funeral service will be held at 12:00 p.m. on Saturday, November 15, 2025 at FAITH LUTHERAN CHURCH in Mineral Point, with Rev. Cal Schaver officiating. Burial will follow in St. Paul's Cemetery. A visitation will be held from 9:30 a.m. until 11:50 a.m. on Saturday at the church.

In lieu of flowers, the family suggests that memorials be made to The Greg and Joni Gorgen Fund, of the Mineral Point Community Endowment Fund or Faith Lutheran Church.

Cemetery Details

St. Paul's Cemetery

801 Ridge Street
Mineral Point, WI

Previous Events

Visitation

NOV 15. 9:30 AM - 11:50 AM (CT)

Faith Lutheran Church
400 Ridge Street
Mineral Point, WI 53565

Service

NOV 15. 12:00 PM (CT)

Faith Lutheran Church
400 Ridge Street
Mineral Point, WI 53565

Tribute Wall

MJ

“ Mike, Grant and family, we were sorry to hear about the recent passing of your mother “Joni” – we offer you our sincere condolences. Through personal experience we know that condolences can only bring so much comfort, after that we carry the burden of the loss alone. So, although we cannot help carrying your burden, we can help by offering you our understanding and compassion as Mike and Grant have offered us more times than we care to acknowledge. Again, we are sorry for your loss.



You are in our thoughts,

Andrew and Mara (nee Barrette) Jensen

Mara Jensen - January 28 at 08:01 PM

JG

“ 'So glad there were so many fast pitch games! 'Miss 'em and their participants! Jodean Grunow

Jodean Grunow - November 16, 2025 at 11:36 AM

TD

“ My deepest sympathies to Joni's entire family

Tori Dobbs - November 13, 2025 at 04:04 PM

TH

“ I am so sorry for your loss, sending hugs and prayers to all of you.

Tina Hamilton - November 12, 2025 at 09:55 PM

OW

“ of the pain. God bless, Joe Warren purchased the Divine Peace Bouquet for the family of Joan Lynn "Joni" Gorgen.



of the pain. God bless, Joe Warren - November 12, 2025 at 09:58 AM

RF

“ Our deepest condolences to you all. I use to work at Culver's dodgeville wisconsin .joni and Greg would come in to eat .id wait on them . Such nice people . We know Mike and Jenny .we'll we were neighbors . Now I'm dealing with my mom she has gone into agrace hospice today in fitchburg wisc.

Robert and Kristine dreger family - November 12, 2025 at 09:46 AM

DT

“ My sympathy to all of Joni's family. I enjoyed my visits with Joni at Uplands. She always had a smile and loved talking about her family. Hugs to all. Donna Toay



Donna Toay - November 12, 2025 at 08:31 AM

DK

“ Very sorry to hear about Joani passing. My sympathy to you Grant, Beth, Mike and Steve. Prayers for you all to help you get through. She was always such a pleasant person to talk with.



Debbie Kieffer - November 11, 2025 at 10:39 PM

RM

“ I share your pain in the loss of Joni. We had many good times over the years past and cherished memories I carry to this day. She was a special person. You were blessed to have her in your lives.
Rosalie May

Rosalie May - November 11, 2025 at 06:20 PM

LN

“ I'm sorry to hear of Joni's passing. She was always so kind to me as a kid, growing up on Doty St and later in life as an adult. I have fond memories of babysitting Beth and spending time in your home, and I appreciate now how generous Joni was to me while growing up. I'm grateful I got a chance to spend an afternoon with her a few years ago and will remember that day fondly. My thoughts and prayers are with her and the entire family.

Lisa K Nortman - November 11, 2025 at 05:45 PM



“ I will miss my visits at Upland with Joni. She told everyone I was her old babysitter. I actually babysat the kids and still love seeing them when I can!

Pat Mester - November 11, 2025 at 05:06 PM

JB

“ I never knew Joni but I did know Greg & know the sons & that says it all. She must have been a wonderful Mother & Wife as they are such Awesome people. Deepest sympathies to all the family. God Bless

Jeff Borne - November 11, 2025 at 03:01 PM

TM

“ Tom, Shannon, Max and Maddie Mitchell purchased the Divine Peace Bouquet for the family of Joan Lynn "Joni" Gorgen.



Tom, Shannon, Max and Maddie Mitchell - November 11, 2025
at 02:05 PM

JU

“ Dear Gorgen "boys" I'm saddened to hear of mom's passing. Too memories . Love and Hugs, Judy Doan Brassington

Judy - November 11, 2025 at 12:04 PM

BN

Mike and Grant, so sorry to learn of your mom's passing. Know you are in my thoughts and prayers Barbara Nelson

Barbara Nelson - November 11, 2025 at 12:48 PM

TR

Mike, Grant & Families. Joni was a wonderful women, always a smile and time to talk. Our deepest sympathy to all of you.

Theresa Raemisch - November 12, 2025 at 01:57 PM



“ Beautiful in Blue was purchased for the family of Joan Lynn "Joni" Gorgen.



November 11, 2025 at 12:01 PM