

Bruyette, Merrie Bob

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Merrie Bob (Ertl) Bruyette, age 57, of 2508 Wilgus Avenue, Sheboygan, began the celebration of eternal life with her Lord on July 7, 2002. She was the first born to the late Robert and Merrie Ertl on December, 8 1944 in Chicago Illinois. She graduated from Appleton West High School in 1963, and attended the University of Wisconsin – Madison where she pursued her love of oil painting. Merrie Bob celebrated her marriage to James Bruyette on June 29, 1964 at the First Baptist Church in Appleton, Wisconsin. She was a full time “mommy” to her four children until she was employed at the Sheboygan Clinic where she retired in 1999. She served as a member of the Salvation Army Advisory Board and was an active member of Christian Women until her very last days.

Her many interests included painting, decorating, horses, food, laughing, watching waves, and caring for her beloved guppies. Her gregarious nature and nurturing spirit allowed her to be a very special friend to everyone she knew.

She is survived by her adoring husband James; three sons, Steve, Charles, Matthew (Natalie) Bruyette and a daughter Elizabeth (William) Wermuth; her grandchildren, Brittany, Mollie, Olivia, Alexander and Charlie Eller-Bruyette; two sisters, Amy (Al) Hoepfner and Eve (Tom) Bic; two brothers, Charles (Jeanne) Ertl and Andrew (Sara) Ertl.

Merrie Bob's parents, brother Michael, Sister LeAnn and grandson, Maxwell Bruyette celebrated her arrival to eternal life in heaven (she always loved celebrations).

She will always be remembered for her courage, dignity, forgiving gentle ways as well as her contagious smile. Her devotion to the Christian faith made her the unselfish, caring pillar of strength for all who were blessed in knowing her. Her radiant energy will forever be felt by all who had been touched by this angel on earth who is now in heaven,

Visitation will be held on Wednesday, July 10th from 2 p.m. to 6 p.m. at the Sheboygan Falls Community Church. A memorial service will follow at 6 p.m. with the Reverend Marty Carney officiating. A memorial fund has been established in her name.

Email condolences to ballhorn@bytehead.com.