



Julia Anne Brown

May 29, 1936 - April 8, 2011

Julia Anne Brown, 74, of Kalkaska, passed away on April 8, 2011, at her home. She was born on May 29, 1936, in Corunna, but lost her father, Dennis, to illness while still a child. She and her brother, Dennis Jr., were ably raised by their mother, Anna (Huszar) Kelly. Julia was the Corunna Homecoming Queen her senior year and also ran a dance studio as a teenager. Julia married Wayne Brown, Jr. of Alma on August 23, 1958, in Owosso. They met at Central Michigan University while both working towards their bachelor degrees in education. Their marriage brought them five beautiful children. While raising her family in Sterling Heights, she found time to teach physical education and substitute teach in the Utica Community School District. Julia has been a volunteer at Munson Hospice House in recent months. Julia and Wayne moved to Kalkaska in 1991 and became members of St. Mary of the Woods Catholic Church. She was a collector of loon memorabilia. Julia was a devoted wife, proud mother and enthusiastic grandmother and will be deeply missed by her family and friends. Surviving Julia are her children, Donald (Ninette Hart) Brown of Hilo, Hawaii, Alan Brown of Lake Orion, Gordon (Mary Witcher) Brown of Dearborn, and Gail (Gregory) Podkowa-Sterba of Sterling Heights; and her precious grandchildren, Chelsea Brown, Graham Brown, Shannon Podkowa and Shane Podkowa. Julia was preceded by her parents, her husband, and her daughter Nancy, who died in 1982 at the age of 12. She was also preceded by her brother Dennis Kelly. Visitation for Julia will be from 5 to 8 p.m. on

Thursday, April 14 at the Wolfe-O'Neill Funeral Home, with a scripture service at 7:30 p.m. A memorial Mass will be held on April 15, 2011 at 11 a.m. at St. Mary of the Woods Catholic Church, with Reverend Norman Dickson, S.J. officiating. Memorials may be given to Munson Hospice House, 1105 Sixth St., Traverse City, MI 49684. Condolences may be left on-line at www.wolfeoneill.com. Arrangements were made by Wolfe-O'Neill Funeral Home, our family serving yours

Tribute Wall



“ *Julia Anne Brown*

January 30, 2023 at 04:02 AM



“ *Julia Anne Brown*

January 30, 2023 at 01:03 AM



“ *Julia was the spark of Brownie's life. She was also our friend. We were brought together by basketball at East Detroit High School. Julia and I sat in the bleachers while our husbands coached. She helped me realize there was more to life than the game! Her sharp wit and stories of personal experiences made Julia entertaining and pleasant company. Julia and Wayne shared good visits at our home in the mountains of NC and we visited them in Zephyrhills after retirement. Julia was a "gem" whose uniqueness will be missed. Sincerely, Nancy and Dan Polzien*

Nancy - April 21, 2011 at 12:00 AM

NH

“ Dear Family of Julia and Wayne, Your wonderful parents,we adored them! For many years we were so fortunate to share lots of good times with them, and appreciated so much their eagerness to share their home, ballgames, etc., and friendship with us. Even in recent times Julia and I were looking forward to a get together to do “catch up” on each other’s lives. She so loved her family, and our many talks about you helps me feel I am a bit acquainted with you all. Our sincerest sympathy and caring concern for you all in adjusting to your loss. May you take comfort in knowing her devoted belief in God, and the peaceful rest of her soul with Him. N.H.

Nancy and Bob Hetzman - April 16, 2011 at 12:00 AM

MK

“ Dear Brown Family Julia and Wayne were dear friends of mine. We met in Zephyrhills, Florida many years ago. I will miss Julia, I always looked forward to her emails and calls. She came to visit me in Kincardine last summer and we were looking forward to getting together again. My thoughts and prayers are with you. Please take care during this time of loss.

Mid Keillor - April 16, 2011 at 12:00 AM

SH

“ Julia Brown we met her in Florida very nice lady our sympathy goes out to family sorry for your loss may she rest in peace God Bless

Sharon - April 14, 2011 at 12:00 AM

KA

“ Dear Don, Alan, Gordon, Gail, and Families, We are so sorry to hear about Julia's death. She had so much life in her; it is very sad to know she is gone. Julia was a very special, 'one of a kind' type of person. We loved to have lunch with her when she came to town. She would very fondly tell us about all of you and your families. She kept so many of us informed of Brownie's journey in a remarkable way. She was so proud of all of you, and thankful for all you did to help her when Brownie was sick. We will always remember Julia! God bless you all!

Kay - April 14, 2011 at 12:00 AM



“ I will remember the good times I had with Julia in Florida. She was always cheerful and made us laugh. My prayers go to the family. Pauline Robinet, Windsor, Ont.

April 13, 2011 at 12:00 AM

RO

“ I know you dont know roger and I, We are family of Tom and Sylvia Schweigel. We met Julia in S.C. She was a remarkable woman and will truly be missed by everyone. God bless the whole family and she will always be remembered. Sorry for your loss.

Roger - April 13, 2011 at 12:00 AM

HM

“ God be with you.

Helen Miller - April 12, 2011 at 12:00 AM

CD

“ *Your dear Mom, Julia, was one of my favorite people I worked with at Weight Watchers. We always had a great time together. I know how much you will miss her. She is a person that I will always remember as I have through out the years. You have my deepest sympathy and blessings, Carol (Popp) Dornbrock Safety Harbor, FL & Williamsburg, MI*

Carol Dornbrock - April 12, 2011 at 12:00 AM