



Marva June Bockhorst

November 29, 1949 - August 18, 2023

Marva June Bockhorst, 73, of St. Louis, Missouri, passed away on Friday, August 18, 2023 in Bloomington, Illinois. She was born on November 29, 1949, to John & Helen Erway, in Omaha, Nebraska.

After graduating high school, Marva continued her education earning an associate degree. In her earlier years she was an orchestra level violinist. She loved to travel and lived in various places throughout her life including: Corpus Christi, TX and Colorado Springs, CO before settling down in St. Louis, MO for her last 34 years.

Marva was a lover of dancing and enjoyed listening to live bands. She was a lifelong Elvis Presley fan and particularly loved Steve Davis's impersonation. During her life in St. Louis, she loved going to all the various parks with her daughter, Taylor and their puppy, Tarzan. She specifically treasured Carondelet Park where her and her daughter would regularly visit and watch the fountain late at night to talk about their day and share stories together.

She had a heart for animals and loved her kittens: Chiquita and Rosie and her emotional support puppy, Comso.

She enjoyed many nature walks especially through the Missouri Botanical Gardens and the St. Louis Zoo. She liked her wordsearches and thoroughly

enjoyed building Lego projects with her family.

Her heart was huge and everyone she met meant something to her. She was known as Mama Marva to all she met.

Marva is survived by her one daughter, Taylor Bockhorst of St. Louis, MO and her partner Stuart Darragh of Bloomington, IL and his children: Alex and Megan Darragh; former husband, William Bockhorst, Jr. of Troy, MO; Bonus family: Walter R. Bockhorst and wife Michelle of Troy, MO, Tony Orlando, Johnathan Bockhorst, Allyson Bockhorst, Altha Marsh, Matt Villmer and his husband Justin Villmer, Caroline Paradise-Villmer, James Coughlin and his sister-in-law Caroline Coughlin, all her wonderful work family at Old Warson Country club, and numerous other friends. She was preceded in death by her former mother-in-law, Barbara Bockhorst, along with many others that knew and loved her: Michael E. Bockhorst, Lee H. Bockhorst, Marissa Orlando, Elmer Bockhorst (Margaret), William Bockhorst, Sr., David VanAcker, David (Gladys), T.C., and Tommy.

Family and friends will be received from 4:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m. on Friday August 25, 2023 at KEMPER-KEIM Family Funeral Chapel located at 351 Monroe Street Troy, MO 63379. Funeral service will be held at 11:00 a.m. on Saturday, August 26, 2023 at First Christian Church located at 1302 Boone Street Troy, MO 63379. Officiating the service will be Pastor Jeffrey Moore. Expressions of sympathy may be made to The Family of Marva June Bockhorst, in care of Kemper-Keim Family Funeral Chapel P.O. Box 222 Troy, MO 63379.

Arrangements are under the direction of Kemper-Keim Family Funeral Chapel; 351 Monroe Street, Troy, Missouri 63379. Online condolences may be made at www.kemperkeimfamilyfuneralchapel.com Phone 636-528-8221

Previous Events

Visitation

AUG **25**. 4:00 PM - 8:00 PM (CT)

Kemper-Keim Family Funeral Chapel - Troy
351 Monroe St.
Troy, MO 63379
(636) 528-8221
millardchapel@aol.com

Service

AUG **26**. 11:00 AM (CT)

First Christian Church
1302 Boone Street
Troy, MO 63379

Tribute Wall

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“ *Rusmira lit a candle in memory of Marva June Bockhorst*



Rusmira - August 26, 2023 at 07:07 PM

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“ *I knew Marva as a patient at the dental office where I work. I looked forward to her visits to our office for her dental care. We are both animal lovers and I enjoyed sharing stories with her about our pets. I loved hearing stories about her cat Chiquita and her puppy Comso. I learned from her stories that she took great care of her fur babies. I also knew her to be a caring mother to her dear daughter Taylor. Marva was very generous and she gifted me some beautiful chimes which hang on our patio. So now when I sit on our patio and I hear the chimes I will think of this wonderful woman that I will greatly miss. My condolences to Taylor and family for the loss of this wonderful woman.*

Rusmira - August 26, 2023 at 07:03 PM



“ *Small Garden Dish was purchased for the family of Marva June Bockhorst.*



August 25, 2023 at 07:10 AM



“ *Arrive in Style was purchased for the family of Marva June Bockhorst.*



August 24, 2023 at 07:37 PM



“ *Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum was purchased for the family of Marva June Bockhorst.*



August 24, 2023 at 01:51 PM