



Mary Ann Thoms

April 9, 1942 - November 10, 2021

Mary Ann Thoms (79), passed away at St. John Ascension hospital in Detroit on November 10th, 2021. Born on April 9th, 1942, she taught Kindergarten at Eyler Elementary (Airport Community Schools) for nearly 30 years before taking early retirement to take care of her aging mother. With an adventurous spirit and warm boisterous laugh, she enjoyed traveling the world with family and her lifelong friend Vikki. Mary Ann was a voracious reader throughout her life and particularly enjoyed her favorite Sci-Fi series Star Trek. She was never one to let fear nor obstacles get in her way of enjoying life, and even took up belly dancing for a few years. Later in life she adopted and cared for several dogs at the gentle suggestion of her valued friend and neighbor Brian. Also a gifted singer, she sang in the Port Sanilac Choral Group as well as St. Mary's church. Mary Ann loved sharing the family's Polish roots and traditionally invited friends to share in a Polish Christmas meal every year. Although she could have been confused for a drill sergeant at times, beneath that lay a golden heart that exuded warm unconditional love to her family and to those close to her. Mary Ann was preceded in death by her parents, Walter and Helen Thoms, and survived by her beloved sister Lorraine (Douglas) Kremer, her favorite niece Jennifer (Jim) Troeger, her great-nieces Abigail & Alyssa Troeger, and her favorite nephew Todd McKim. The family will be having a private funeral service, but St. Mary's Church of Sanilac, part of Ave Maria Parish, will also conduct a small Catholic service for those who wish to pay their respects.