



## MARION JOYCE SIMON

October 28, 1943 - February 28, 2024

Marion J. Simon

Marion J. Simon, age 80, of Winona, MN, formerly of Caledonia, MN, passed away peacefully at her home with her family by her side on February 28, 2024.

Marion was born October 28, 1943, in Winona to Roderick and Kathrine (Kohner) Krenzke. She married Leo Simon on June 15, 1963. Marion worked as a nurse at Caledonia Nursing Home and Clinic, and also at Mayo Clinic in LaCrosse.,

She loved to travel and enjoyed gardening, reading, playing bridge and 500.

She was a member of St. Mary's Catholic Church, Caledonia, the Catholic Daughters of the Americas and the Council of Catholic Women.

She is survived by her loving husband of 60 years, Leo; sons, Bradford (Robin) Simon of Elba, MN, and Trever (Christina) Simon of Fort Worth, TX; grandchildren, Tanner, Connor, Matthew, Nicholas, Taylor, and Ty; sisters, Barbra Rain (Willard), Houston, MN., JoAnne Block; Rochester, MN.; a brother, Chuck Krenzke, St.

Charles, MN; and brother-in-law, Gerald (Donna Henkes) Simon of Altura, MN.

She was preceded in death by her parents; sister, Susan Anderson; brother-in-law, Elmer Block; and sister-in-law, Sheri Krenzke.

A Mass of Christian Burial will be at 11 am, Friday, March 8, at St. Mary's Catholic Church, Caledonia.

Visitation will be from 4 to 7 pm Thursday at St. Mary's Holy Family Hall.

Visitation will also be from 10 to 11 am Friday before the service at the church.

Memorials are preferred to St. Mary's Church or the Caledonia Wrestling Club.

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# Previous Events

## Visitation

MAR 7. 4:00 PM - 7:00 PM (CT)

St. Mary's Holy Family Hall  
513 South Pine St.  
Caledonia, MN 55921

## Visitation

MAR 8. 10:00 AM - 11:00 AM (CT)

St. Mary's Catholic Church  
513 S Pine St  
Caledonia, MN 55921  
(507) 725-3804

## Mass of Christian Burial

MAR 8. 11:00 AM (CT)

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513 S Pine St  
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# Tribute Wall

MM

“ I will never forget my dear childhood friend, Marion. There are so many memories of our growing up together all the way through high school. I would go over and do homework at Marion's and then Leo would come over. Marion would usually hide behind the door and when Leo came to the door she'd scare the crap out of him. We had so many memories of things we did together. We would go to Grandma's grocery store and hope she would give us a little treat. Maybe we would get a penny candy!!! Then we thought it was so much fun to go out back to one of the sheds, climb up to the roof and jump off. Those kind of things were fun when we grew up. Or going sledding on the hill behind the school house. She lived right close to me and I spent a lot of time at their house. She made my childhood so special on through the high school years. I will love you forever Marion and will never forget you. Heaven has gained the most beautiful angel. My sympathy to Leo and all of the family. May God comfort you.

Mardelle Midler - March 05, 2024 at 01:28 PM



“ Serene Reflections Bouquet was purchased for the family of MARION JOYCE SIMON.



March 05, 2024 at 12:49 PM

LT

“ Love, Terri, Bart & Tyler planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of MARION JOYCE SIMON.

Love, Terri, Bart & Tyler - March 05, 2024 at 12:49 PM



“ *Florist Choice Bouquet was purchased for the family of MARION JOYCE SIMON.*



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March 04, 2024 at 01:40 PM



“ *Myron and Beckie Smalley planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of MARION JOYCE SIMON.*

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**Myron and Beckie Smalley** - March 04, 2024 at 01:40 PM

JM

“ Heaven got one hell of an Angel ! Larry remembers that Leo was the only member of Winona State’s wrestling team that was married; Marion was a wrestling wife, mother, and grandmother for at least 50 years ❤️

Joanne met Marion and Leo in 1988 at a WSU Hall of Fame/homecoming weekend. The four of us clicked. Since then we would take turns each summer either coming to Caledonia for a weekend, or them coming to Fond du Lac. Favorite memories were: taking boat rides on the Mississippi, going down to Lansing Iowa to that crammed packed variety store, having our dog Gia sit and lean against Marion and try to lick/face wash Marion’s face and only get her chin, staying with them in Gulf Shores, and campfires out in back of their home in Caledonia, fun times in Fond du Lac with boat rides on Lake Winnebago.

We saw Marion and Leo a few weeks before she passed. We talked, laughed, cried and we got to hug her and say “We love you Marion ❤️👍”. What a beautiful, caring, straight shooter, fun lady. You’ve touched so many lives; her legacy continues. We love the both of you and Leo, may fabulous memories keep you company and give you strength going forward. Larry and Joanne Marchionda



Joanne Marchionda - March 04, 2024 at 12:27 PM



“ Blue Caribbean Bouquet was purchased for the family of MARION JOYCE SIMON.



March 03, 2024 at 03:08 PM

RF

“ Rick and I send our condolences. Many hugs and prayers for your family.

Rick and Cindy Frank - March 02, 2024 at 10:36 PM

CW

“ Marion was my friend Susie's little sister. One day she came up to Susie (we were all in high school), and said; "Leo Simon asked me out on a date. Should I go?" Susie answered her; "Absolutely!!" I think they were sophomores. Anyway, that was the beginning of something beautiful. They were the cutest couple. God rest Marion's soul. Lee and I extend our deepest sympathy to Leo & the entire family.

Charlotte Wiskow - March 01, 2024 at 11:41 PM

SF

“ Leo and family, we are so very sorry to hear of your loss! She was a very special lady who treated everyone with compassion. I loved working my shifts at the Caledonia Nursing Home when she was head nurse on those days! Prayers to all and may God give you his grace and peace in the days ahead and for healing. Our Deepest Condolences, Jerry & Susie



Susie Frank - March 01, 2024 at 05:32 PM

MO

“ I'll always remember her as a wonderful lady, a mother and a grandma. She always made me feel welcome in her home. I'll pray for Leo and their family.

Mary Osburn - March 01, 2024 at 03:53 PM

DS

“ So sorry to hear of a great loss, Marion. I enjoyed working with her at Cal Nursing home. She also attended to me at Mayo Clinic. A good person gone too soon! RIP Marion!!

Dave & Wilma Schoh - March 01, 2024 at 02:09 PM

JS

“ My deepest sympathy to all of you during this time. It was a pleasure to know Marion growing up and then later working at Mayo Clinic-La Crosse together as nurses. You are all in my thoughts and prayers.

Joannie Schmidt - March 01, 2024 at 01:09 PM

TM

“ You have my sincere sympathy. Marion was a wonderful lady. A blessing to many especially to you her family. My thoughts and prayers are with you.

Teresa MacLeod



Teresa MacLeod - March 01, 2024 at 12:33 PM

MA

“ Marion and I worked together at Caledonia Hospital and Nursing Home. Our husbands both taught school together at Caledonia High school. I am sorry to hear of Marion's passing. My sympathy to Leo and family.

Mrs. Everett Austin (Marilyn).

Marilyn D Austin - February 29, 2024 at 10:09 PM