

Name: Colonel Luvina Joni Triplett

Age: 74

Hometown: Bad Axe, MI

Funeral Date: August 26, 2019

Date of Birth: October 09, 1944

Date of Passing: August 21, 2019

Funeral Home: Kaufman Funeral Home

Funeral Information

Funeral Services for Joni will be Monday, August 26, 2019 at 11 am at Elkton Missionary Church. Burial will take place at Arlington National Cemetery. Visitation for Joni will be at the church, on Monday, beginning at 10 am until time of services at 11 am. Arrangements are being handled by the Kaufman Funeral Home of Bad Axe. The family wishes to express a special thank you to Residential Hospice and Meadow Lane Memory Care for the wonderful care she received. Memories can be shared at www.Kaufmanfuneralhome.com

Family of the Deceased

Joni is survived by her siblings: Marjorie (Gary) Frei of Rhodes, Kenneth (Maria) Wiederhold of Florida, Larry Wiederhold of Elkton, Linda (Ken) Wymer of Pinconning, Robert (Roslyn) Wiederhold of Davison, Colleen (James) Holmes of Mayville, Sandra (William) Erwin of Florida, Marsha (Thomas) Halka of Davisburg, Gail Prill of Mayville, Fay (Kenneth) Ignash of Elkton, Mark Widerhold of Elkton, and many nieces, nephews, and great nieces and nephews. She was preceded in death by her parents: Hazel and Edward Wiederhold, step-mother Allalee Wiederhold, her sister Betty Cox, brothers: Barry and Clark Wiederhold, sister-in-law Ruth Wiederhold, brother-in-law Paul Prill, two nieces, one nephew and one great niece.

Biography

Colonel Luvina (Joni) Triplett (USAF) (ret) went to be with her Lord and Savior Wednesday, August 21, 2019 at Meadow Lane Assisted Living of Bad Axe. She was born on October 9, 1946 in Bad Axe to the late Edward and Hazel (Bouverette) Wiederhold. Joni graduated from Elkton Pigeon Bay Port High School in 1963. She graduated in 1967 from St. Mary's School of Nursing of Saginaw. Military academic achievements include graduation from both the Air Command Staff College in seminar in 1983 and of the Air War College in seminar in 1986. She received notification of her promotion to Colonel on January 7, 1993. She worked for four years as a nurse at Atascadero State Hospital. She served at the tactical headquarters at Langley Air Force Base in Virginia during Desert Shield/Storm. During her reserve career she served with the 414th MSES Hospital at March AFB, the 68 AES at Norton AFB, the 67th AEF at Rickenbacher AFB, and the 146 AES at Van Nuys Air National Guard Base. She received her Chief Flight Nurse Wings while serving as a flight nurse. After retirement from the Air Force, Joni continued her studies of Spanish. She used those skills as an interpreter for the government. She spent a year in China, teaching English at Nanjing University of Science and Technology. Joni loved children and went on numerous medical missions to Honduras, Guatemala, and Zimbabwe to treat injured children and to tell them of the love of Jesus. Above all Joni loved Jesus and never forgot Him!