



Jakelyn Eichhorn

February 24, 1946 - December 27, 2023

Jakelyn Charlene Stricklen Eichhorn, 77, of Greer, South Carolina, went home to be with the Lord on Wednesday, December 27, 2023, her 57th Wedding Anniversary.

A native of Omaha, Arkansas, daughter of the late Virgil and Norma May Richesin Stricklen, she held many jobs throughout her life, but her favorite was working with chefs teaching commercial cooking at the New York technical school, BOCES. She traveled across the globe and created a home for her family in countries like Thailand, China, and Pakistan; with the ability to build community around a table, she made sure everyone left with a full stomach, new friends, and tear-stained cheeks from laughter.

She cherished her summers on the Sawadee in the Great South Bay, New York and her boat's bar was known for being stocked and always having a chilled Jäger shot at the ready.

Jakelyn always told everyone she had loved more, laughed more, and had more fun than anyone.

Jakelyn was a remarkable woman who brought joy and laughter to everyone she met. She loved playing bridge, painting, hosting extravagant parties, and being the queen of the ball. Her zest for life was truly infectious, and family is comforted knowing she touched so many hearts.

Surviving are her husband, Charles Eichhorn of the home; children, Derrick Todd (Sonja) of Rock Hill, South Carolina and Shannon Franklin (Tom) of Lake Royale North Carolina; four grandchildren, Mark Todd, Brooke Jakelyn-

Franklin Jordan (Adam), Sean Franklin (Jordan), and Natasha Pinckney (Steve); and four great-grandchildren.

She was also predeceased by one brother, James Barron.

Please join the family in remembering and celebrating the impactful woman Jakelyn was! The family will not be holding a service until her husband of 57 years, Charlie Eichhorn, is able to attend. Event information will be communicated once plans for a celebration of her life alongside Charlie are able to be arranged.

In lieu of flowers, memorials may be made to University of the Ozarks, 415 North College Avenue, Clarksville, Arkansas 72830

Online condolences may be made at www.thewoodmortuary.com.