



## Joanne M. Polachek

May 18, 1955 - May 14, 2026

Joanne M. Polachek, age 70, passed away on May 14, 2026, just days before her 71st birthday. She was born on May 18, 1955, to the late Stephen and Arlene (née Dahm) Polachek.

Joanne was a woman defined by her deep commitment to family and her nurturing spirit. She is survived by her devoted step-children: Katrina Frederick (Paul), Christopher Barzal, Robert Barzal (Stacy), Margaret Koellisch, Michael Barzal (Julie), Stephen Barzal, Timothy Barzal (Karen), and Joseph Barzal.

Her legacy of love continues through her cherished grandchildren: Jonathan, Megan, Andrew, Sara, Anna, Joshua, Rylee, Sydney, Natalie, Adrienne, and Kelsey.

She was the dear sister of Stephen Polachek (Dorothy), Barbara Pittman (Donald), Robert Polachek (Ruth), and Mary Ann Polachek (Jean). Joanne found great joy in the company of her siblings and the large, vibrant family they shared.

Joanne was preceded in death by her beloved parents and her brother, James Polachek.

In accordance with Joanne's wishes, there will be no services held at this time. She will be remembered for her steady kindness, her dedication to those she loved, and the warmth she brought to every family gathering.

# Tribute Wall

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“*Joanne was one of a kind... I had the pleasure of with with Joanne for many years. She was the kind of person who made every workplace feel a little brighter just by showing up. In the world of quality assurance, she wasn't just good at her job, she was legendary. No defect could hide from Joanne. She had a gift for spotting what everyone else missed, and she took genuine pride in making things right. If it slipped past Joanne, it simply didn't exist.*

*But what made her truly unforgettable wasn't just her sharp eye, it was her heart. She was kind, genuine, and real in a way that's rare. People felt it the moment they met her.*

*And retirement? That didn't slow her down one bit. She stayed connected, kept showing up in her own way, dropping comments on Facebook like little notes in the mail; a reminder that she was still thinking of you, still cheering you on.*

*Joanne didn't just leave a mark on the work. She left a mark on the people. And that's the kind of legacy that doesn't fade.*

*I'll miss you Joanne...*

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**Jeff Hrdlicka** - May 19 at 11:21 AM