

**"A WOMAN WITH  
GREAT HUMOR,  
KINDNESS & LOVE."**

Leslee - Josie's Daughter  
describing her mom



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**Josie's Village**

"FRIENDS ARE THE FLOWERS  
IN THE GARDEN OF LIFE"

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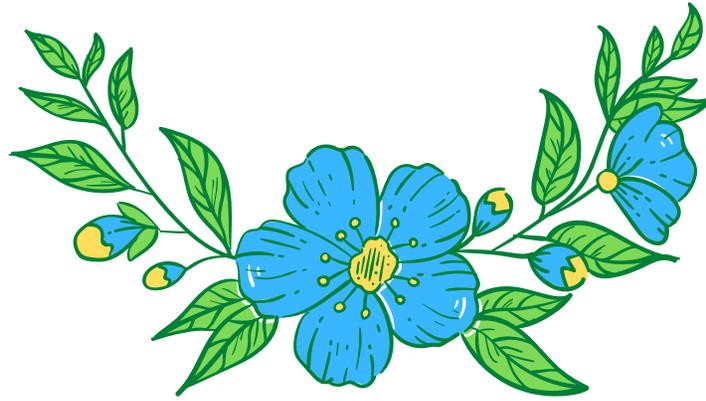
# JOSEPHINE THERESA CHRAPAN

Josephine "Josie" Chrapan's daughter, Leslee, founded Josie's Village in 2021 as a way to honor her mother's legacy of love and kindness. Josie loved **EVERYONE** she met with kindness: discrimination was never part of her being. Giving love gave her such joy and she received so much love in return. Family, travel, and helping others is what fueled her life. In 2009, Josie was diagnosed with Vascular Dementia and Alzheimer's Disease. As Josie became less independent, the love and dedication given to her by her daughter made a positive impact on the quality of her life.

After Josie's passing in 2020, Leslee knew her mom would want other people to experience that **EXTRA SPECIAL JOY** and attention... this is Josie's Village.

In collaboration with the Office of Elder Affairs, volunteers are matched with older adults from Bridgewater to pass along joy, kindness and attention. **CONNECTIONS** will start out with friendly phone calls, socially distanced visits and may develop into assistance with simple tasks or errands.

Josie's greatest gift was the presence of her daughter. Thank you for considering becoming a present part of Josie's Village, where **ISOLATION IS ERASED** and we all benefit from the connection.



## PETALS OF HER LIFE

As beautiful as a rose to see, was her life she lived so gracefully. She made things precious by her touch, Her selfless love lives on in each of us. The petals of her life fell one by one, each a gift of her heart till there were none. Yet her radiance blooms once again in fields of glory with no end.

## ABOUT OUR PROGRAM

In collaboration with our team, we match devoted volunteers with Bridgewater seniors, so they may experience the joy of friendship and community. Upon the match, the volunteer will start out with weekly phone calls, possible socially distanced visits, grocery shopping, library book pick-ups or whatever the senior needs.

## MISSION STATEMENT

The mission of the Office of Elder Affairs is to promote the emotional, physical, and economic well-being of older adults and to encourage their participation in all aspects of community life.