



Annette Walker Janssen

October 8, 1942 - June 1, 2017

Annette Janssen, age 74, departed this life on June 01, 2017. She was born on October 8, 1942, in Stringer MS. to Francis M and E. Christine Walker. She is survived by her beloved husband Petrus (Peter) of Sharpsburg, her beloved son James Watson and his wife Cathi (Cathleen) Rutsey of Ferndale, Michigan, her beloved granddaughter Nanette Basler and her husband Steve, Madison Heights, MI, her beloved grandson Corey J. Watson Eastpoint, MI, her greatgrandchildren Ahnalee, Hailey Paige, and Cameron Basler, Dakotah, Norah, and Emma Watson, all of Michigan, her brother Charles Walker (Geri), Warsaw, Indiana, her step-son Bart Janssen of Venlo, The Netherlands, her step-daughter Dorien Janssen of Venlo, The Netherlands and two step grandchildren, Philene and Philippe of Venlo, The Netherlands, Janet Janssen (+ on October 12, 2016), of Venlo, the Netherlands. She spent most of her adult life in Michigan. Employed by BCBSM for 24 years, she retired in 1995 from the position of Vice President of Operations. Throughout her life she worked in support of human rights, equality of opportunity, and the end to animal cruelty. She and her husband moved to Sharpsburg GA in 2003. She assisted her husband in founding Janssen Piano Services. She is a member of Resurrection Lutheran Church where services will be held on a date yet to be determined. In lieu of flowers, the family asks that you donate to the Resurrection Lutheran Church or to the Newnan- Coweta Humane Society. Online condolences may be expressed at www.mckoon.com.

Cemetery Details

McKoon Funeral Home & Crematory

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Previous Events

Service

JUN 3.

Service planned for later date

Tribute Wall

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“ Our dear friend/sister, you have touched so many in the last 74 years. You have always been such a wonderful friend/sister and knew how to make me laugh. You were the first one we told when I finally became pregnant with Robert and always had a special place in your heart for him.

Our times together at the cabin, North Carolina, your house or mine were always such fun times.

It still does not seem real that you are gone, but there was no better gift that God could have given me than caring for you in those last days of your life. You will always hold a special place in our hearts and we are better individuals because of you.

You have left your mark in this world by all those you have touched.

Peter, James and the entire family we wish to extend our condolences. Remember to celebrate her life for she loved you so.

God Bless

Cindy & Tony Russo

cindy russo - July 03, 2017 at 06:59 PM

IT

“ I have a ton of wonderful memories from my 40+ years of friendship with the amazing Annette Janssen that I will cherish all the rest of my days. Love your beauty, your grace, your laughter, your wit....your sense of adventure and the way you embraced everyone with whom you came in contact. You were a kind, strong explorer of what the world is about and what a person can do in life. You will be dearly missed. To Peter, James, and the extended family, Larry and I extend our heartfelt condolences! Irene & Larry Twork

Irene Twork - June 13, 2017 at 09:12 AM

MM

“ Dear Peter,
I am saddened by the news of the loss of your wife. I prayer you will be comforted and find peace as the passing days. My heart goes out to you and your family.

Maggie McDonald

Maggie McDonald - June 12, 2017 at 02:13 PM

PB

“ Peter:

So sorry to hear that Annette passed on. She was a good person and deserving of a great afterlife.

Jo Ann & Peter

Peter J Burns - June 11, 2017 at 09:41 AM

SC

“ Peter, I was so sorry to read about your wife's passing. Prayers to your family from the Couvillion family. God bless you.



Susan Couvillion - June 08, 2017 at 01:01 PM

“ It was my distinct pleasure to have had Annette Jansen (Pfeiffer) as my VP of Operations at Blue Cross Blue Shield of Michigan during the 1990's. I was the Manager of the Professional Services Department at the time when Annette transferred over from the Marketing Department to assume her new position as VP of Operations. Annette was a quick learner in her new role and I found her to be supportive, funny and quite tolerant of some of the rather unique challenges of overseeing large claims/inquiry processing departments in our Division. She shared some of my frustrations with the corporate culture (typical in any large business) and was most forgiving of some of my "rants" concerning various absurdities of the corporate world.

She was firm but fair in her management style and would frequently send me an email asking me "if I needed a cigarette" (there was a designated smoking section in BCBSM's cafeteria at the time) in response to one of my email rants concerning some corporate decision. She would "hose me down" and send me back into the trenches with a renewed sense of purpose after allowing me to blow off steam. She was instrumental in my growth and maturity as one of her Managers in our Division.

She invited my wife Norma and I to a number of off-site corporate dinners at the RenCen as well as in Southfield over the years and I came to view her not only as my boss, but as a friend as well.

She also invited my wife and I to her annual Walpurgis Night parties (look it up) at her home in Clinton Township and a good time was had by all. Using a quote from Sabatini's Scaramouche, Annette "was born with a gift for laughter and a sense that the world was mad".

Annette was a boss, a mentor and a friend. The world is a poorer place with her passing.

Craig Gladden

Farmington Hills, Michigan

Craig Gladden - June 08, 2017 at 12:23 PM



“ *Dear Peter...I'm so sorry for your loss. My wife and I will be praying for you all. I'm so glad I was able to meet Annette briefly that one time at Ashley Park.*

- Peace and Prayers

Michael Tigue

Michael Tigue - June 06, 2017 at 09:36 AM