



Jo Ann Jacobson

November 6, 1933 - April 21, 2015

Jo Ann (Philips) Jacobson, 81, of Schaller, Iowa, went to be with her Lord on Tuesday, April 21, 2015 surrounded by her husband and children at Trinity Regional Medical Center in Fort Dodge, Iowa.

Funeral services will be held Saturday, April 25, 2015 at 10:30 a.m. at the St. John Lutheran Church in Galva. Burial will be in the Galva East Township Cemetery. Visitation will take place Friday, April 24, 2015 from 5-8:00 p.m. at the St. John Lutheran Church in Galva. Memorials may be directed in Jo Ann's name. The Fratzke & Jensen Funeral Home in Schaller is in charge of the arrangements.

Jo Ann was born on November 6, 1933 in Calhoun County, Iowa to William LaVerne and Hilda (George) Philips. She grew up in Sac City, Iowa with her younger brother, Jerold Alan "Jerry" Philips.

Jo Ann made her mark on the Sac City public school system, participating in chorus, band, and the Future Homemakers club. Jo Ann graduated from Sac City High School in 1951. After graduation she was accepted to the University of Iowa nursing school. On February 3, 1952, Jo Ann married the love of her life, Darold Jacobson of Galva, Iowa, at St. Paul Lutheran Church in Sac City. The couple started their life together on the farm where Darold grew up two miles east of Galva. Darold and Jo Ann were blessed with six children: Steve,

Teresa, Jeff, Marci, Nanci, and Phil. Darold and Jo Ann continued in the farm's operations even after moving into Schaller, Iowa in 1991.

Jo Ann spent many hours in her flower gardens and loved to sew and play bridge. She was a faithful fan at her children's, grandchildren's, and great-grandchildren's sporting events and activities. Jo Ann was a dedicated member of St. John's Lutheran Church in Galva, active in the Ladies Aid and as a Sunday school teacher for many years. She enjoyed being involved in local and county organizations, including the Red Hat Society, Porkettes, and Cowbells. While her children were in school, she was involved in many activities in the Galva public school system.

Those left blessed to have shared in her life are her husband, Darold, of Schaller, five children, Steve (Deb) Jacobson of Omaha, Neb.; Jeff (Kathy) Jacobson of Galva, Iowa; Marci (John) O'Connell of Letcher, S.D.; Nanci (Wayne) Bruss of Fort Dodge, and Phil Jacobson (and special friend Marla) of Galva. She is survived by ten grandchildren: Tabitha (Jamie) Lewis of Cushing, Iowa, Aaron (Sarah) Jacobson of Schaller, Shiloh Jacobson of Gresham, Oregon, Josh (Sara) Jacobson of Galva, Laura Jacobson of Washington, D.C., Jared (Jessica) Jacobson of Albia, Iowa, Mitch Bruss of Fort Dodge, Nick Bruss of Ankeny, Iowa, Terrance Jacobson of Omaha, and Kellen Jacobson of Galva; eleven great-grandchildren; three nieces, Michelle (Jose) Alvarez, Julie (Scott) Townes, and Jeri (Maurice) Richardson, and one nephew, Kevin (Kim) Philips, and their children and grandchildren, of South Carolina; and two sisters-in-law, Sharon Matzke of Omaha and Lavonne Philips of Jacksonville, Florida.

She is preceded in death by her parents, William Philips and Hilda (Philips) Kreft; her father-in-law and mother-in-law, Fred "Shorty" and Hazel (Challman) Jacobson; her daughter, Teresa; her brother, Jerry; and her two sisters-in-law, Gladys Huseman and Geraldine Voss.

Jo Ann's family has established a memorial fund in her name.

Cemetery Details

Galva Township East Cemetery --Galva

Galva, IA

Previous Events

Visitation

APR **24**. 5:00 PM - 8:00 PM (CT)

St John Lutheran - Galva
406 Monona Street
Galva, IA 51020

Service

APR **25**. 10:30 AM (CT)

St John Lutheran - Galva
406 Monona Street
Galva, IA 51020

Interment

APR **25** (CT)

Galva Township East Cemetery --Galva
Galva, IA

Tribute Wall



“ *Fratzke & Jensen Funeral Home created a Tribute Video in memory of Jo Ann Jacobson*



Fratzke & Jensen Funeral Home - April 24, 2015 at 11:26 AM

KS

“ *So sorry to hear about you losing JoAnn. She was always so friendly to everyone. You have my deepest sympathies. Kim Stabbe (Pat and Arlen's daughter)*

Kim Stabbe - May 09, 2015 at 06:18 PM



“ *Florist Choice Bouquet was purchased for the family of Jo Ann Jacobson.*



April 24, 2015 at 02:16 PM



“ *Classic Sympathy Dish Garden was purchased for the family of Jo Ann Jacobson.*



April 24, 2015 at 11:52 AM



“ *Shades of Purple* was purchased for the family of Jo Ann Jacobson.



April 24, 2015 at 11:11 AM



“ *Plants-A-Plenty* was purchased for the family of Jo Ann Jacobson.



April 24, 2015 at 10:45 AM



“ *2 files added to the tribute wall*



Fratzke & Jensen Funeral Homes - April 24, 2015 at 10:26 AM



“ *Peaceful Wishes* was purchased for the family of Jo Ann Jacobson.



April 24, 2015 at 09:23 AM

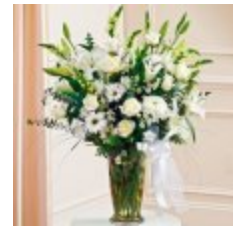
 Marla Marguglio

“ From the very beginning, and my first visit to Phil ' s hometown, I felt total acceptance and Jo Ann made me feel right at home...in fact, I honestly don't remember ever going through an awkward transition from being a stranger to being friends. During the short time I was able to spend in her company I felt an instant fondness for Jo Ann, and enjoyed every second of every moment spent in her company. I'm deeply saddened to hear of this amazing woman's passing, at the same time I'm honored to have known her and spent time with her these last few months. Though I'm far away in distance please know that you are all in my thoughts and prayers, and I share in your deep sadness. Having spent time in Jo Ann ' s company it's easy to see that her wonderful legacy lives on in all of her children, and I pray that you all are comforted with fond memories of such an amazing and truly admired woman.

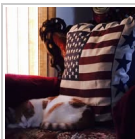
Marla Marguglio - April 23, 2015 at 08:17 PM



“ White (Large) Sympathy Vase Arrangement was purchased for the family of Jo Ann Jacobson.



April 23, 2015 at 07:16 PM



“ Suana Wessendorf lit a candle in memory of Jo Ann Jacobson



Suana Wessendorf - April 23, 2015 at 06:24 PM



“ *Floor Plant for Sympathy was purchased for the family of Jo Ann Jacobson.*



April 23, 2015 at 05:39 PM



“ *Roses For Sympathy was purchased for the family of Jo Ann Jacobson.*



April 23, 2015 at 04:46 PM



“ *Simply Lily was purchased for the family of Jo Ann Jacobson.*



April 23, 2015 at 04:02 PM



“ *Sorry to hear of your loss. I didn't know her well but she was always friendly when I saw her. She was a beautiful inside and out. Cherish your memories. Sue Schmitt*

Susan Schmitt - April 23, 2015 at 01:39 PM

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“ Love, Sheena, Scott & Everett Sanders purchased the Bountiful European Dish Garden for the family of Jo Ann Jacobson.



Love, Sheena, Scott & Everett Sanders - April 23, 2015 at 10:19 AM

DJ

“ As a daughter in law, over the years I have so many memories of Jo Ann that are very dear and precious to me. She was a woman I greatly admired for not only raising a family, but had a green thumb in growing the most beautiful flowers and gardening, She was an awesome seamstress, loved to quilt, cooked & baked with perfection, was always painting or decorating a room, had such a talent for taking old things and making them beautiful again. She was always dressed to perfection and boy could she iron well! I always enjoyed playing cards with her and listening to her stories from her years as a little girl. She loved to travel, but don't get her anywhere near the edge of a cliff, or she will freak out, as we found out in the Black Hills when vacationing with her and her brother, Jerry! Jo Ann was a kindhearted & loving woman who was always there when you needed her, whether to talk things over, get advice, or just to laugh and share good times with. I will miss her, but am comforted in knowing I will be with her again when the Lord sends me home.

Debra Jacobson - April 23, 2015 at 09:51 AM

FJ

“ *Family of Jeff & Maureen Johnson purchased the Lavender & White Standing Spray for the family of Jo Ann Jacobson.*



Family of Jeff & Maureen Johnson - April 22, 2015 at 06:35 PM