



Joan F. Van Iderstine

March 10, 1934 - April 19, 2020

Wantage - Joan F. Van Iderstine, age 86, passed away on Sunday, April 19, 2020 at her residence after a long illness. Born in The Bronx, New York, Joan lived in Little Ferry for 36 years before moving to Sussex County 33 years ago. She had been employed as an accountant for Clear Channel Radio in Newton before her retirement. Joan also had taught ceramics for 34 years at Pleasant Acres Campground. While at the campground, she touched so many lives with her love and all the children called her “grandma” while she was there. Joan had been a former member of the Little Ferry Fire Department Ladies Auxiliary, member and past president of the Little Ferry PTA, a Little Ferry Girl Scout Leader, and was active in fund raising for the American Cancer Society and the Hemophilia Foundation. She was currently a member and past vice-president of the Hardyston Seniors, former member and past treasurer of the Sussex Over 50 Club, and a member of St. Jude’s Senior Group. She was predeceased by her husband of 56 years, Walter D. Van Iderstine, Sr. in 2007; her great grandson, Jaxson Wilson; her parents, Sophie and James Mulligan; her sisters, Gladys Brennan and Florence Suess; and her brothers, John, Thomas, and Robert Mulligan. Joan is survived by her son, Walter D. Van Iderstine, Jr. and his partner Jim Warner; her daughters, Linda Lenkiewicz and her husband Edward, and Shirley Keenan and her husband Jack; her grandchildren, Lisa Van Iderstine and her fiancé Peter Domanski, Jennifer D’Arco and her husband Sal, Kim Tharaldsen and her husband Anders, Cindy Menzel and her husband Kris, Billy Van Iderstine and

his wife Jamie, Michael Keenan and his girlfriend Nicole Start, and Nadine Wilson and her husband Michael; her great grandchildren, Michael, Mia, Aaron, Thomas, Angelica, Emma, Kristina, Ava, Kayla, Faith, Jordan; and many loving nieces, nephews, and friends. Due to the current government health restrictions, private cremation services have been entrusted to the Pinkel Funeral Home, 31 Bank Street (Route 23), Sussex, NJ. A memorial graveside service will be held in the near future at Maple Grove Park Cemetery in Hackensack. In lieu of flowers, memorial donations may be made in Joan's memory to St. Jude Children's Research Hospital, 501 St. Jude Place, Memphis, TN 38105 or Karen Ann Quinlan Center of Hope Hospice, 99 Sparta Avenue, Newton, NJ 07860. Please check the funeral home website for updates. Online condolences may be offered to the family at www.pinkelfuneralhome.com

Cemetery Details

Due to public health restrictions, a public memorial service will be held in the future

Events

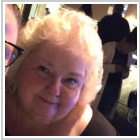
Details are pending.

Tribute Wall

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“ I just saw this now, I have very happy memories of Joan at Pleasant Acres. I loved doing her ceramic classes and she taught me how to paint the best eyes on my projects. I moved away and lost touch with everyone but this truly saddens me. Condolences to the family.

Debbie Stockland - February 11, 2024 at 09:13 PM



“ So sorry to read that Joan has passed. She was a very nice lady and I remember always seeing her smiling face at Pleasant Acres. Condolences to her family.
Margaret & John Costigan

Margaret Costigan - May 04, 2020 at 03:01 PM

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“ Knew Joan for many years. So very sorry for your loss

Carol Hugle, (Carol,s Studio) - April 26, 2020 at 05:50 PM

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“ Joan was a wonderful person and kind to everyone. Fond memories of ceramic classes and the stories makes me smile thinking of them. Heaven gained an Angel. So very sorry for you and your families loss.

Dee Pakestein - April 25, 2020 at 04:56 PM

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“Joan was kind and loving to EVERYONE and I will always remember her contagious smile. She was always uplifting and treated my kids like her own. Rest In Peace Grandma...until we meet again. 🙏🏻✝️

Cathy Toth - April 24, 2020 at 09:30 PM