



Janie Ann Kennedy

July 16, 1947 - March 6, 2023

Janie obituary

Jane Ann (Martin) Kennedy was born July 16, 1947 in Twin Falls, Idaho. She went home to Jesus on March 6, 2023 after a long battle with PSP (progressive supranuclear palsy). She left her earthly home surrounded in love.

Janie was the daughter of Cecil and Ione and the oldest of three children. She is preceded in death by her parents and her loving husband Jerry Lynn Kennedy. She is survived by her children Joe (Julie) Gilmer, Tina (Brit) Forrester, Stacy (Brian) Kennedy, Jerry Lynn Kennedy II, eight grandchildren (Chris, Paige, Katrina, Somer, Tessa, Lacy, Doug, and Lexi), two great-granddaughters (Kenleigh and Evelyn), brother Joe (Susie), sister Marilyn, nieces, nephew, and great-nieces and nephews.

Born in Twin Falls, Idaho, Janie moved to the Henderson, Nevada area when she was five years old. She attended school in both Boulder City and Henderson. She was a 1965 graduate of Basic High School. She was a member of the band where she played both the flute and piccolo. She was blessed to still have numerous childhood friends and classmates who continued to reach out to her throughout her illness. Spending time in Idaho also brought her a lifelong friend, Nancy Humbach Darling. Her friendship

meant the world to Janie, as she was always a constant in her life. Janie was also a member of the Beta Sigma Phi Sorority.

Janie married her love, Jerry, in 1980, and they spent 22 years together before his passing in 1999. She helped to lovingly raise their children and maintained a beautiful home while also working. Most notable was her time working for Timet. In 1989 she was the first person recognized by GE for her "outstanding service and communication efforts in working with GE's purchasing department".

Janie enjoyed friends and family, boating on Lake Mead and time spent in Pine Valley, Utah. Her passions included reading, cooking and caring for her pets. Books were like food; she devoured them and would read anything and everything. She was always searching for new recipes to add to her collection, but those who knew her loved her fettuccine, spinach balls, and runzas. Pets held a special place in her heart, and she took immaculate, loving care of them.

Janie took great pride in her children and grandchildren. She showered them all with love, gifts and support. She attended any event in which she was able and truly wanted the best for each. To each, her words, "Love you, hon" are forever etched in their hearts.

The family would like to extend our thankfulness and gratitude to her caregivers who provided diligent, loving care for the past 2 1/2 years. Jackie and Annie, we are eternally grateful for the care, love and friendship you gave to Janie. Edie, thank you for making your home Janie's home. We will forever treasure the memories of her 75th birthday celebration that you helped make possible.

A celebration of life service is planned for April 22, 2023 at 3:00 in the

afternoon at Community Church of Henderson. (360 East Horizon Drive, Henderson). A private burial was previously held. PSP is a rare neurodegenerative disease for which there is no cure and no treatment. Donations can be made in her name to CurePSP (psp.org).

Tribute Wall

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“ *My heartfelt sympathy to all of the Martin family!! Jane was a very best friend during our childhood years: we lived around the corner and a lot time was spent at the Martin's house - there are so many cherished memories with this kind, loving family! Joe and Marilyn: you have lost a wonderful big sister but her sweet spirit will always be here - for everyone, and someday, there will be a great family reunion!!*

Susan Galloway - April 05, 2023 at 05:21 PM