



Helen Joan "JoAn" Johnson

February 1, 1935 - January 6, 2020

Helen Joan "JoAn" Johnson passed away Monday morning, January 6, 2020 in Butte. She was born Friday, February 1, 1935 in Kimball, Nebraska to Alex and Elizabeth (Engstrom) Christiansen. She was raised and educated in Nebraska and earned her teaching degree there. She and Marvin Johnson were married October 23, 1960 in Kimball, Nebraska and moved to Butte in 1964 when Marvin was hired as a safety engineer for the Anaconda Company.

JoAn worked as a substitute teacher in the Butte schools for many years then as a secretary at the Montana Tech Alumni Association for 25 years. She was a member of the Butte Symphony Guild, the Daughters of Norway, the VFW Auxiliary, the WAAIME Club and the Hoedowners Garden Club, later called the Rocky Mountain Garden Club. She was also a longtime and active member of Gloria Dei Lutheran Church, including WELCA.

JoAn is preceded in death by her husband, Marvin who passed away December 10, 1980, her sister, Mary Jean Good and her brother, Jim Christiansen. Survivors include her sons and daughters-in-law, Mike and Deanna Johnson of Butte, Steve and Christy Johnson of Elizabeth, Colorado, grandchildren, Logan Johnson, Emilee Johnson and Ryan Johnson as well as several nieces, nephews and cousins in Montana, Nebraska, Washington and Wyoming.

Cremation has taken place. Her family will receive friends Friday morning, January 10th at 9 o'clock in Gloria Dei Lutheran Church where memorial

services will be conducted at 10 o'clock. Interment will follow in Sunset Memorial Park. Memorials in her memory may be made to WELCA c/o Gloria Dei Lutheran Church, 2300 Florence Ave. Butte, MT 59701.

Cemetery Details

Sunset Memorial Park

16 miles west of Butte
Butte, MT 59701

Previous Events

Service

JAN 10. 10:00 AM (MT)

Gloria Dei Lutheran Church
2300 Florence Avenue
Butte, MT 59701

Tribute Wall

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“ Mike, Deanna, Steve & Families, Our heart is saddened to hear of JoAnn's passing. She was a wonderful woman to us throughout the years. We have very fond memories of her while we worked together on the Alumni Directories! She was tough, but we learned a lot from her and are forever in your debt for sharing her with us. Deepest sympathy to all of you! Hugs, Ray & Joyce Sheldon

Ray Sheldon - January 10, 2020 at 10:28 PM



“ Mike, Steve, and family.

Sorry to hear about the passing of your Mother. She was always welcoming to all your friends when we came over to your house. There are a lot of stories (some I still tell today) that bring back good memories of our college days - including the one where Mike called "Big Jo" to tell her he was "in the hotel with bars on the windows....".

My condolences on your loss.

Gene Barry

Gene Barry - January 10, 2020 at 12:50 PM

Marilou Hart

“ Steve, Mike and families, So sorry to hear about the loss of your Mom. our thoughts and prayers are with you all.

Marilou Cashell-Hart



Marilou Hart - January 09, 2020 at 02:09 PM



“ *Arrive in Style was purchased for the family of Helen Joan "JoAn" Johnson.*



January 09, 2020 at 10:39 AM



“ *Michael and Steven and families, We extend our deepest sympathy to you all. Your mother was a wonderful part of "that trio" - (brother and sisters). She was my teacher in kindergarten - country school North of Bushnell. The teacher had quit in the middle of the year and your mother finished out the year. So, I guess I knew your mother before I knew any of the Engstroms! She will be missed. Wish we could be there for the services, but know that you are in our thoughts and prayers.*
Larry and Diana Engstrom & family

Diana C Engstrom - January 09, 2020 at 10:35 AM



“ *Mike and Deanna - I am very sorry to hear about your Mom's passing. She was a wonderful lady and friend. Although I remember her as Mrs. Johnson the Greeley teacher, I mostly have memories of her being Mike's Mom and both thoughts make me smile.*
Our deepest condolences.

*Joe and Angela (Juarez) Pagliero
Anchorage, Alaska*

joe pagliero - January 09, 2020 at 02:06 AM



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Wayrynen-Richards Funeral Home - January 08, 2020 at 11:44 AM