



## Mrs. Janet Elaine Hobbes Konchar

April 7, 1937 - April 12, 2010

Janet Elaine Hobbes Konchar, 73, of Asheville, died Monday, April 12, 2010 after a courageous five and half year battle with pancreatic cancer.

Born April 7, 1937 in Danville, Pennsylvania, she was the daughter of the late R. Orvis and Eleanor Ditzler Hobbes. Janet was a 1955 graduate of Montandon High School in Montandon, PA, and a 1959 graduate of The Pennsylvania State University with a BS Degree in Institutional Administration. She began a fifty-year career in the dietary profession, serving an internship at University Hospitals in Cleveland, and later having worked as a Registered Dietician and Nutritionist at St. Luke's Hospital in Bethlehem, PA, and the Medical Center of Beaver, PA. In 1999, she received a Master of Science Degree in Organizational Development from Geneva College in Beaver Falls, PA. Upon moving to Asheville, North Carolina in 2000, she worked for Mission Hospitals retiring in September 2009.

Janet was a member of The Parish of St. Eugene, the American Diabetic Association, was a Certified Diabetic Educator, and a Medical Weight Management Nutritionist.

While at Penn State, she met the love of her life in 1957, and on July 2, 1960, Janet married Frank H. Konchar. They would have celebrated their 50th wedding anniversary this summer.

Surviving in addition to her husband, are her four children, Frank Martin Konchar, his wife, Judy, and their children, Natalie Eleanor and Noelle Elizabeth of Etters, PA; Sonya Janette Konchar Mengel, her husband, Robert, and their children, James Robert and Steven Anthony of Beaver, PA; Mark Douglas Konchar, his wife, Jennifer, and their children, Bella Rose and Casey Hobbes of Fairfax, VA; and Katie Marie Konchar of Madison, WI.

A Brother, Robert O. Hobbes, his wife, Lucille, of Tunkhannock, PA and their sons, Robert, Larry, Wayne, and Glen; A sister, Carol Mae Golden, her husband, Patrick, of Venice, FL, and their sons, Dale and Kyle.

A Prayer Service and a time of remembrance will be held Friday evening, April 16 at 7 o'clock at the Morris Funeral Home with the family receiving friends following the service until 8:30 p.m.

A Mass of Christian Burial and a Celebration of Janet's Life will be held Saturday, April 17, 2010 at 1 o'clock at Saint Eugene Catholic Church with Father Ed Sheridan, Rev. Stephen Denig and Deacon Mike Zboyovski as the Celebrants. Inurnment will follow in the Church Columbarium and a Reception with family and friends will follow at the church.

In lieu of flowers, the family respectfully requests memorials be made in memory of Janet E. Konchar to Care Partners Hospice and Palliative Care, P.O. Box 25338, Asheville, NC 28813.

Morris Funeral Home is assisting the Konchar Family. Online condolences may be sent to the family at [www.morrisfamilyfuneralhome.com](http://www.morrisfamilyfuneralhome.com)

# Cemetery Details

## St. Eugene's Catholic Church Columbarium

72 Culvern Street  
Asheville, NC 28804

# Previous Events

## Visitation

APR 16. 7:00 PM (ET)

Chapel of Morris Funeral Home  
304 Merrimon Ave.  
Asheville, NC 28801  
(828) 252-1821  
[info@morrisfamilycare.com](mailto:info@morrisfamilycare.com)  
<http://morrisfamilycare.com>

## Service

APR 17. 1:00 PM (ET)

Parish of St. Eugene Catholic Church  
72 Culvern Street  
Asheville, NC 28804  
<http://www.steugene.org/>

# Tribute Wall



“ *Morris Funeral & Cremation Care created a Tribute Video in memory of Mrs. Janet Elaine Hobbes Konchar*



Morris Funeral Home - April 12, 2010 at 12:00 AM



“ *Mrs. Janet Elaine Hobbes Konchar*

October 07, 2023 at 11:15 AM



“ *Remembering how much you taught me. Miss you.*



Sonia - September 09, 2014 at 07:35 PM



“ *Sonia lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Janet Elaine Hobbes Konchar*



Sonia - March 10, 2013 at 07:14 PM

SO

*Thinking of you and Miss you much.*

Sonia - March 10, 2013 at 07:15 PM

KA

“ *Katie lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Janet Elaine Hobbes Konchar*



Katie - February 10, 2013 at 10:10 AM

NK

“ *Noelle Konchar lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Janet Elaine Hobbes Konchar*



noelle konchar - December 29, 2011 at 08:51 PM

NK

“ *merry christmas hope you're staying warm*

noelle konchar - December 18, 2011 at 07:49 PM

NK

“ *happy thanksgiving we all miss you and wish you were here to hear your voice love you always and forever*



natalie eleanor konchar - November 24, 2011 at 06:26 PM

NK

“ *happy thanksgiving miss you and wish you were here with us*

noelle konchar - November 23, 2011 at 03:24 PM

NK

“ *Natalie Eleanor Konchar lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Janet Elaine Hobbes Konchar*



natalie eleanor konchar - September 24, 2011 at 09:46 PM

NK

“ *hey grandma soccer season started working hard as usual. Started school last Wednesday and im in 6th grade which is cool because we get lockers this year hope things are good for you i miss you and just wanted to say hey!!!!!!*

noelle elizabeth konchar - September 01, 2011 at 08:51 PM

NK

“ *Noelle Elizabeth Konchar lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Janet Elaine Hobbes Konchar*



noelle elizabeth konchar - August 21, 2011 at 11:13 AM



“ July 2, 1960, our Marriage date.  
Christ The King Church  
Cleveland, OH

*Our great adventure together on this planet,  
Earth, began.*

*Frank H. Konchar*



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**FRANK H. KONCHAR** - July 02, 2011 at 05:25 PM



“ *FRANK H. KONCHAR lit a candle in memory  
of Mrs. Janet Elaine Hobbes Konchar*



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**FRANK H. KONCHAR** - July 02, 2011 at 05:17 PM



“ *Noelle Elizabeth Konchar lit a candle in  
memory of Mrs. Janet Elaine Hobbes  
Konchar*



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**Noelle Elizabeth Konchar** - April 22, 2011 at 01:28 PM



*THIS CANDLE REPRESENTS GOOD FRIDAY*

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**Noelle Elizabeth Konchar** - April 22, 2011 at 01:29 PM

NK

“ happy Good Friday tonight we're painting easter eggs and can't wait

Noelle Elizabeth Konchar - April 22, 2011 at 01:27 PM



“ happy holy Thursday hope you are enjoying it as much as i am!:)

Noelle Konchar - April 21, 2011 at 01:27 PM

NK

“ Noelle Elizabeth Konchar lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Janet Elaine Hobbes Konchar



Noelle Elizabeth Konchar - April 17, 2011 at 07:33 PM

NK

“ this past weekend was Natalie's confirmation and i was thinking about grndma all the time we were at church. great m+m's

noelle elizabeth konchar - April 17, 2011 at 07:19 PM

NK

“ Noelle Elizabeth Konchar lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Janet Elaine Hobbes Konchar



noelle elizabeth konchar - April 17, 2011 at 07:16 PM

BJ

“ Remembering a fun trip Jill and I made to Asheville some years ago to visit with Aunt Janet and Uncle Frank and celebrate spring. Bob Hobbes, Jr.

Bob Hobbes, Jr. - April 05, 2011 at 05:54 AM

KK

“ You are especially in our thoughts this week, Mom. Miss you.



Katie Konchar - April 04, 2011 at 09:14 PM

FK

“ FRANK H. KONCHAR lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Janet Elaine Hobbes Konchar



FRANK H. KONCHAR - March 19, 2011 at 06:43 AM



“ FRANK H. KONCHAR lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Janet Elaine Hobbes Konchar



FRANK H. KONCHAR - October 12, 2010 at 09:56 AM



“ *We share an everlasting love.*  
*Frank*  
*10/12/10*

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**FRANK H. KONCHAR** - October 12, 2010 at 09:55 AM



“ *Candle lit by*



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**FRANK H. KONCHAR** - July 15, 2010 at 08:04 PM



“ *Candle lit by*



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**barbara green** - July 04, 2010 at 03:15 PM



“ *Candle lit by*



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**FRANK H. KONCHAR** - June 12, 2010 at 06:03 PM



“ Hi grandma,grandpa took us White water rafting yesterday 5/29, it was so much fun.  
I wish you could of been there with us on our experience, we all went to bed late.This morning we went to your dedication mass at the church.Throughout the rest of the day we will be thinking about you, and having fun just doing things around the house and being outside on this beautiful Asheville day. I miss you and I love you sooooo much.  
Love Always,  
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**Noelle Konchar** - May 30, 2010 at 01:03 PM



“ Candle lit by



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**Noelle Konchar** - May 30, 2010 at 12:35 PM



“ Candle lit by



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**Frank Konchar** - May 29, 2010 at 09:28 PM

SH

“ Miss you so much, Janet. See your notes in the charts at work and wish I could see you come around the corner like happened for so many years. It's hard without you, but your spirit is alive and strong.  
Love, Sonia

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**sonia humphrey** - May 19, 2010 at 09:37 PM



“ Candle lit by



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**FRANK H. KONCHAR** - May 08, 2010 at 09:56 AM



“ What a wonderful and kind person with an incredible spirit. My sympathy to the family - a tremendous loss for all who knew her.  
Donna Pierce

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**Donna Pierce** - April 29, 2010 at 08:52 PM



“ I am so very blessed to have met Jan. Her caring and concern for others was always present, especially her love for Frank and their family. She was brave, full of courage and fierce in her love for her family. She will truly be missed!  
Tammy Israel

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**Tammy Israel** - April 28, 2010 at 04:17 PM



“ *I am so very grateful to have had her in my life and in my heart - my sister, my friend.*

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**Carol Golden** - April 27, 2010 at 05:48 PM



“ *Dear Frank and Family--The Kameen Family and The Forest City News staff wish to say how sorry we are for your loss. The Konchar Family has been a good friend to the Kemeens for many, many years. You have also been a faithful subscriber to our newspaper over the years. May you and your family know that we will remember you and your wife in our prayers. Our most sincere condolences.*

*John P. Kameen*

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**John Kameen** - April 26, 2010 at 08:51 AM



“ *Candle lit by*



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**Mihela Biaggio Erjavec** - April 25, 2010 at 05:43 PM



“ My prayers go out to all the family and friends. Janet has always touched my heart. As well as others she loves. She always was there to help, always concerned about others and never stoped loving. She was an amazing person. Im thankful to have shared so many memories with her. She would always me me smile, the room would just light up with her in it. I will def take a lot from what she has taught me and carry it with me through out my day to day life. Her time here was well spent, but cut so short. Still to this day I can't put it together that she is with the Lord. I constantly think, but why she was such an amazing, loving, whole hearted women. I miss her and wll always love her. Please everyone take her actions and keep them living. Be that positive energy that she was and you will find that she will always be by your side. To the family I love you and I wish I could have been there with you at the service. Always loved and never forgotten. Its not goodbye, its I'll see you later. <3 Nicole Espenshade

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**Nicole Espenshade** - April 23, 2010 at 08:12 PM



“ I've always had great respect for Aunt Janet.. She was beautiful inside and out, loving and generous and carried herself with great poise. She always treated me as a person, even when I was very young. We so appreciated the trip she and Uncle Frank made up here to Virginia a few months ago - that can't have been easy but we were SO glad we had the opportunity to visit for the weekend. We'll miss her but we trust she's with the Lord and we'll see her again.

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**Glen Hobbes** - April 22, 2010 at 07:18 PM



“ I saw some chickens along the road while driving this week. It reminded me of the hundreds of times that Janet and I fed and watered the pullets out on the range during the summer months. When I was old enough to drive the tractor we pulled a small trailer which we loaded with 5 or 6 large milk cans of water and some bags of feed and fed and watered the several thousand pullets on the range I carried the water to the waterers and Janet carried the feed to put in the dozens of feeders--every evening about 5-6 o'clock for many summers. I can still remember her blond pigtails flying in the wind! Then just before dark we made another round to be sure all the shelters were closed up and all the birds were in as some wanted to roost on the roof line and clucked very unhappily when we grabbed them and put them inside! Well, that was all part of growing up on a busy farm! Brother Bob

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**Robert O. Hobbes Sr.** - April 22, 2010 at 05:47 PM



“ I got a card today from the sister( Almarette Schroedar Hupp)of our best man in our wedding-Morris Schroeder--she says "I do have sweet memories of Janet--for many years she always saved me a seat with her on your Dad's bus"--Brother Bob

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**Robert O. Hobbes Sr.** - April 22, 2010 at 05:37 PM



“ The slide show was beautiful and brought back wonderful memories of Aunt Janet's wonderful smile and fun conversations around family reunion campfires. Thank you for sharing it with those of us who were not able to be at the memorial service to remember her wonderful life. My love and thoughts are with you all... Necia Hobbes

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**Necia Hobbes** - April 21, 2010 at 09:16 PM



“ *The services were a beautiful tribute to a beautiful person who will be missed by all who knew her. Much love to all of your family, Lori Hobbes*

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**Lori Hobbes** - April 21, 2010 at 07:28 AM

“ April 19, 2010..What I did not say....about my dear friend Janet Konchar..

*Friday night we attended a service I was not familiar with or prepared for. It was to share memories of Janet which I did a little ... but if I had my chance to do it again I would say.*

*Janet and I were at each others weddings 50 years ago. Our husbands were part of the wedding parties. We were friends through the year and spoke to each other at all the events that could happen over 50 years, births of our four babies, communions, graduations, colleges and then grandbabies too. Whenever I would call, or drop a note, she would say, "Rose I was just thinking of you" as I was of her. I loved to visit Asheville as they had so many special places to share with us...dinner and wine and quiet times just walking in the mountains...or on her visits to my Lake House, we would take the paddle boat out and just share all the happenings in our life. Our husbands usually always walked slower than us, so Janet and I walked ahead and shared all the new things happening in our life.*

*About 18 months ago, we decided that maybe we should think of something special to do for our 50th wedding anniversaries. Some ideas were a train across Canada, a riverboat ride down the Mississippi or maybe a cruise to Alaska. .At this time Frank had to insight to say maybe we should not wait until 50th anniversary, but instead let us do "the year of the 50"s"...and so we set out to make it our goal...Five months later Lou and I drove to Asheville and joined up with Janet and Frank for our first trip to Myrtle Beach. We had the most beautiful ocean front condo and on the 1st day, Frank bought Janet a bouquet of white tulips...as she carried them in her wedding bouquet. She was so thrilled and happy and lit up with joy when presented with the flowers. That week, we walked the beach, had wonderful dinners out...and one night Frank had the great idea for us to wait until the moon came out and the four of us went to sit in the hot tub and Frank sang to Janet some songs from*

*their wedding. They were such a wonderful happy couple. We liked to tease Frank that after all these years he was still calling her ..my bride!. Frank was very devoted and walked with love and strength this journey with her. He was a wonderful support system and took care of all her needs. They had good news and sad news, I am sure, but they always had a positive outlook and a attitude that God would make the decisions along the way and strong faith and prayers would inspire them. As anyone who heard this news would have cracks in their heart, Janet let the sun shine thru her heart. Anyone who spoke to her would remember her strength and sunny disposition at all times, never complaining, just joyfully taking one day at a time.*

*We took another trip in October to celebrate, and we climbed the summit of the Peaks Of Otter,...all four of us looked down at helicopter flying below us, and eagles making their nest ...as the trees turned beautiful golden colors . Janet and I spent hours walking through the parks while the men fished on the banks of the lake. We had wine and cheese in, and dinners out...and a wonderful time in the beauty of nature. All the while Janet was able to enjoy everything except diet restrictions and she never complained even though sometimes I think she was tired. Janet has inspired me to realize that whatever you hope to do in life, to do it, enjoy it, and do not put off any dreams. We did not get to share our 50th together, but when I see a white tulip, Janet will be in my thoughts.*

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**rose orehek** - April 20, 2010 at 01:54 PM

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**Frank j. Rudolph** - April 20, 2010 at 11:04 AM

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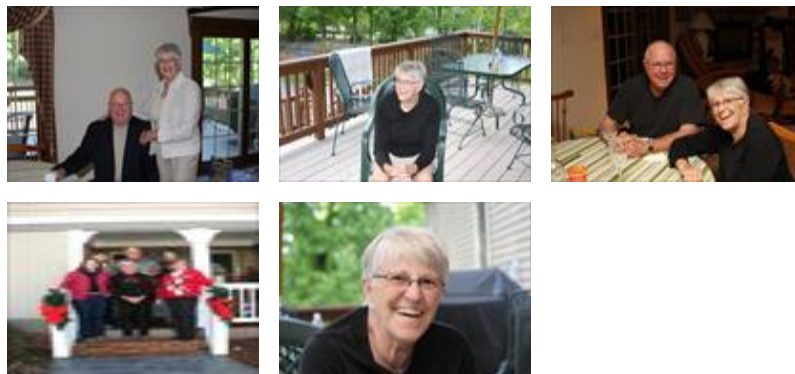
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Nancy Rankins - April 19, 2010 at 11:13 PM



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Morris Funeral Home & Cremation Service - April 19, 2010 at 02:09 PM

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Tammy Orehek - April 17, 2010 at 09:25 PM

VC

“ Dear Konchar Family,

*Since the first day that I was introduced to the Konchar's I was always impressed by how close of a family that you all are. Through the best and worst of times, you have all stayed tightly together, vigorously supporting each other in the purest sense imaginable.*

*Janet was a wonderful woman with the kindest of hearts, dedicated to her family. She always made us feel so welcomed with her warmth, charm, and beautiful smile. The legacy that she has left behind is the loving family that she and Frank created. The Konchar's are a reflection of God's greatest work, and will endure from generation to generation. God bless, our prayers are with all of you. Vito, Cindy, Giovanna, Jack and Marion Consiglio*

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**Vito Consiglio** - April 17, 2010 at 02:01 PM

BB

“ Janet was such an integral part of a fine team--Frank & Janet. She was a dear friend, always warm and caring and helpful. Her passing will be missed by many, including her friends Angela & Bob, now living in Florida. It was a privilege to know and love her. Our sincere sympathies,  
Angela & Bob

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**Bob & Angela Baisley** - April 17, 2010 at 01:37 PM

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**Luann Reno** - April 17, 2010 at 12:50 PM



“ *Many blessings to Uncle Frank and family. Aunt Janet will be missed by many. Love to you all as you ponder all the wonderful memories. You are all in my prayers.....*

Luann Reno - April 17, 2010 at 12:50 PM



“ *Candle lit by*



Brenda Lux - April 16, 2010 at 01:50 PM



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Jim Rook - April 16, 2010 at 11:33 AM



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Marcy Hegglund - April 16, 2010 at 10:09 AM

RM

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**Robin Mallernee** - April 16, 2010 at 07:56 AM

DC

“ *Candle lit by*



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**Debbie Carter** - April 16, 2010 at 07:11 AM

WH

“ *Aunt Janet always had a warm smile and a hug, and always looked us right in the eye and asked about us -- often with specific questions because she knew and remembered what was going on in our lives. She always made me feel loved.*

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**Wayne Hobbes** - April 15, 2010 at 09:51 PM

JP

“ I am and my life are richer and better because God gifted them with Janet and her family.

*My faith, love and relationship to our God, Father Son and Holy Spirit came to life and grew because of Janet is( and will always be) a part of my life, Even if distance of miles kept us apart she was (is) always in my heart and thoughts and prayer. Being with Janet, Frank and kids I always felt at home, one of the family. I have seen the risen Lord and experienced His unconditional love and presence because Janet was in my life. Now she will be even more present in my life, a life line to God thru the intercession of Janet. Thank God for the gift of Janet and thank you Frank and kids for sharing her. God's unending comfort, peace and strength be with each of you in every way needed. Love and prayer always, Janice*

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**Janice Putvin** - April 15, 2010 at 09:34 PM

JP

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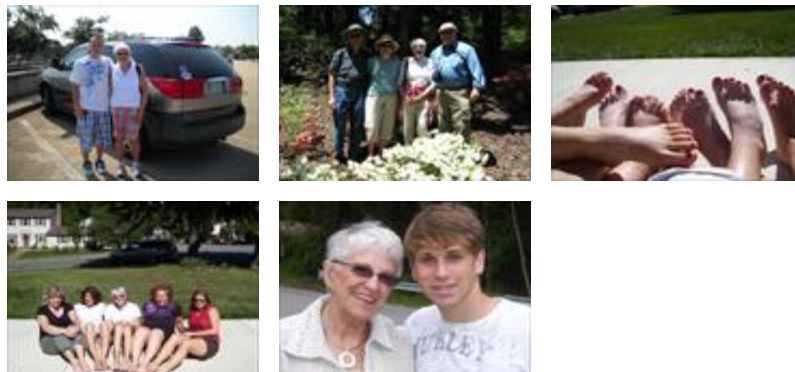


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**Janice Putvin** - April 15, 2010 at 09:01 PM



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Morris Funeral Home & Cremation Service - April 15, 2010 at 04:39 PM

PK

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Patty Klatt - April 15, 2010 at 04:01 PM

AS

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Anne Senechal - April 15, 2010 at 01:05 PM

SB

“ *Candle lit by*



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**Sandra Buchanan** - April 15, 2010 at 10:31 AM

MH

“ *Candle lit by*



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**Mary Beth Horrell** - April 15, 2010 at 10:09 AM

BS

“ *Candle lit by*



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**Becky Sale** - April 15, 2010 at 09:49 AM

KG

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**Katie Gwyther** - April 15, 2010 at 09:34 AM

SK

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Susan Kosma - April 15, 2010 at 09:34 AM

JM

“ Janet has holds a place in my life that no other does. Her gentle kindness with inner strength was such a unique combination that enriched my life so often. Her life as a professional -mother - spouse- friend is a standard to which I strive. God bless and much love to Frank and family.

Juliet Mancino - April 15, 2010 at 09:29 AM

SK

“ I look over at my bookshelf to several books that Janet shared with me. The one that has had a significant impact is "Enlightened Leadership". Janet was a truly enlightening individual and shared her positive spirit with all that came in contact with her. Her blessings live on through the knowledge she shared.

Stephanie Kiser - April 15, 2010 at 09:29 AM

SK

“ Candle lit by



Stephanie Kiser - April 15, 2010 at 09:27 AM

SM

“ Mom - You are in our hearts. We miss you horribly and carry your love and spirit with us. You have given us love, grace, strength and courage even in death. We are blessed and know you are with us always. Sonya



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**sonya mengel** - April 15, 2010 at 08:31 AM

SH

“ Candle lit by



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**sonia humphrey** - April 15, 2010 at 08:18 AM

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**sonia humphrey** - April 15, 2010 at 08:15 AM

KH

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**Kathryn Higdon** - April 15, 2010 at 08:12 AM

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“ Candle lit by



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**Kathryn Higdon** - April 15, 2010 at 08:11 AM

IL

“ Janet hired me as one of her Dietitians at The Medical Center, Beaver, PA. She was a supportive boss. She encouraged working moms to uphold their families but still commit to being a professional. She was a good boss! I was always delighted to receive email replies & her Christmas letters! She was very proud of her family! May she rest in peace and may GOD continue to bless her family!

*Irna de Leon-Knapp, RD, LDN, CNSC  
Gibsonia, PA*

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**Irna de Leon-Knapp** - April 15, 2010 at 07:43 AM

KL

“ I enjoyed being a part of Janet's life if only for a short time. She was a blessing to me. She loved her family very, very much. I know she is watching over her family and friends. What a great lady.  
*Kim LaSure (CarePartner's)*

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**Kim LaSure** - April 14, 2010 at 09:52 PM

MP

“ Janet was and will remain a blessing to this earth. She is a precious servant of the Lord who bore 4 beautiful children into the world who touch the lives of many. She offered me much comfort in the time that I knew her - she shared her mothering spirit with all whom she met. May God bless her as she is welcomed into His arms for eternity and may the Lord and Janet's legacy be with her husband, children, grandchildren, friends, and family during this time. My prayers are with all of you.  
*Meritt*

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**Meritt Petrone** - April 14, 2010 at 12:24 PM