



Jo Ann Woodard

January 15, 1954 - January 9, 2023

Jo Ann Woodard, 68, of Havana passed away at 6:28 a.m. on Monday, January 9, 2023 at the University of Iowa Hospital in Iowa City. She was born on January 15, 1954 in Springfield, Illinois to William and Mary (Schmidt) Woodard.

Jo is survived by her son, Michael Woodard of Madison, Wisconsin, long-time companion, Gary Lane of Havana, sisters, Lynn Hall of Ann Arbor, Michigan and Brenda (Al) Garlich of Easton, and many nieces, nephews, great-nieces, and great-nephews. She was preceded in death by her parents and nephew, Nick Phelps.

Jo worked at the University of Illinois Specialized Care for Children Department in Human Resources for over 30 years. She later worked at JCPenny in Canton until it closed and County Market in Havana. Jo was a die-hard Chicago Cubs fan. She was an avid reader and was a member of the Havana Public Library Foundation. She also enjoyed playing games on her tablet and was a member of two Bunco clubs.

A visitation will be held on Monday, January 16, 2023 at Hurley Funeral Home in Havana from 10:00 a.m. until noon.

Memorial donations may be made in Jo's name to Havana Public Library.

Online condolences can be left for her family at www.hurleyfh.com.

Hurley Funeral Home in Havana is in charge of arrangements.

Previous Events

Visitation

JAN **16**. 10:00 AM - 12:00 PM (CT)

Hurley Funeral Home - Havana

217 North Plum Street

P.O. Box #648

Havana, IL 62644

(309) 543-2244

<https://www.hurleyfh.com/>

Tribute Wall

KR

“ *Kim Russell lit a candle in memory of Jo Ann Woodard*



Kim Russell - February 04, 2023 at 10:12 AM

KK

“ *Jo is laughing at me. I just spent 45 min. writing about her and sharing memories. I hit the wrong key and deleted the whole thing. 😞 It basically used these words to describe her: Good looking, smart, funny, loyal, caring, hard working, particular, generous, sympathetic, a good judge of character, modest, and much more! One memory refers to her abbreviations for people and things. We were enjoying "adult beverages" with friends and Jo referred to someone being "R H" I tried to remember what "R H" stood for. I finally gave up and asked her, "Our Age not R H" lol I said well you always use silly abbreviations. 😊 Jo and I spent every day together at DSCC for 20 years. I was lost when Jo retired. I was glad we spent time together post-retirement. Not enough and no more which is what makes me sad! Make time to keep in touch with close friends. You won't be sorry. I love you Jo and will miss you immensely. "RIP" 😊*

Kim Kirchner - January 16, 2023 at 10:16 AM

KE

“ Loved to talk with Jo about books. After I retired, I missed that a lot. She was fun and I enjoyed doing things with her. I know she will be missed.



Karen Elliott - January 15, 2023 at 07:04 PM

CW

“ Tom and I worked with Jo at DSCC for so many good years. Jo was always ready to help and care where needed. She always spoke of Michael and her family with so much love. We are sincerely sorry your loss and give you our prayers at this time of need. Tom and Cyndee Wilkin.

Cyndee Wilkin - January 15, 2023 at 01:13 PM

RQ

“ RON BARB QUINONES lit a candle in memory of Jo Woodard



RON AND BARB QUINONES - January 15, 2023 at 10:32 AM

TU

“ Traci Unruh lit a candle in memory of Jo Woodard



Traci Unruh - January 15, 2023 at 07:45 AM

CH

“ Carol Himmel lit a candle in memory of Jo Woodard



Carol Himmel - January 14, 2023 at 01:58 PM

DB

“ Our sincerest condolences to the family of Jo Ann Woodard. May she rest in peace. From her cousins, Barbara Woodard Hendley, Bonnie Woodard Totten, Diane Woodard Bond.

Diane Bond - January 14, 2023 at 01:03 AM

EL

“ Eileen Long lit a candle in memory of Jo Woodard



Eileen Long - January 13, 2023 at 06:01 PM

B-

“ Belle -Reed lit a candle in memory of Jo Woodard



Belle Fletcher -Reed - January 13, 2023 at 11:21 AM

DW

“ Sorry for your loss Our thoughts and prayers are with you and your family 🙏



Dan and Chris Wilson - January 13, 2023 at 10:13 AM

RK

“ My heart goes out to the family and friends of Jo. She was a wonderful person inside and out. God has definitely received an Angel.

Blessing Always,
Rita Kohrman



RITA KOHRMAN - January 13, 2023 at 09:32 AM

LH

“ Larry Mary Hundt sent a virtual gift in memory of Jo Woodard



Larry and Mary Hundt - January 13, 2023 at 09:17 AM

BW

“ Brend Wilcoxon lit a candle in memory of Jo Woodard



Brend Stone Wilcoxon - January 13, 2023 at 07:23 AM

MH

“ *Mary Herring lit a candle in memory of Jo Woodard*



Mary Herring - January 13, 2023 at 02:16 AM

LT

“ *So sorry for your loss! Jo was very good to me and my family. She will be missed. My condolences,Lisa*



Lisa Jill Ulrich Thompson - January 12, 2023 at 10:58 PM

SB

“ *Jo was such sweet & spirited friend always making a person laugh. She will be missed. So sorry for her family & friends loss! RIP*

Susie Ulrich Begbie - January 12, 2023 at 10:47 PM

CE

“ *Brian and I were very sad to hear about Jo. I had the pleasure of working with Jo for many years at DSCC. She was funny, compassionate and she loved her family dearly. Our thoughts and prayers are with Michael, Brenda and the rest of her family. Brian and Cheryl Esela*



Cheryl Esela - January 12, 2023 at 09:40 PM

LC

“ *Lanette Richard Crum lit a candle in memory of Jo Woodard*



Lanette an Richard Crum - January 12, 2023 at 09:26 PM

PG

“ *Patricia Gilbreath lit a candle in memory of Jo Woodard*



Patricia Gilbreath - January 12, 2023 at 08:16 PM

MM

“ *I just can't quite believe it. Jo was SO excited about the plans we had for the Library Foundation. She will be greatly missed.*

Mark A McGrew - January 12, 2023 at 07:03 PM

BM

“ *Becky Morgan lit a candle in memory of Jo Woodard*



Becky Morgan - January 12, 2023 at 06:53 PM

NE

“ Hugs and prayers for Mike and all of Jo's family



Nancy Elliott - January 12, 2023 at 06:21 PM

CA

“ Sorry to hear about Jo. She was fun to work with and enjoyed talking to her. She will truly be missed.



Connie Atchison - January 12, 2023 at 06:03 PM

DC

“ Donna Clouse lit a candle in memory of Jo Woodard



Donna Clouse - January 12, 2023 at 06:03 PM

JW

“ So very sad to hear this. Deepest condolences to friends and family.



Jeff Elam & Shelly Wallace - January 12, 2023 at 05:39 PM

LM

“ She was a very sweet lady I talked to all the time at county market . So sorry for your loss ...



Larry munsch - January 12, 2023 at 04:54 PM

DW

“ Sorry for your loss Our thoughts and prayers are with you and your family 🙏



Dan and Chris Wilson - January 12, 2023 at 04:10 PM

LW

“ Lori Wright lit a candle in memory of Jo Woodard



Lori Wright - January 12, 2023 at 04:01 PM

KE

I'll always remember Jo and me loving books, the Cubs, and talking. She will be missed by me and a lot of others.

Karen Elliott - January 12, 2023 at 05:04 PM

CS

I have good memories of Jo from the HR Dept. of DSCC. Jo was always very cherry and helpful and always got you the correct answer to any question. She was someone you could rely on. I think Jo was a really nice person. I was saddened to hear of her passing. I am keeping Jo's family and friends in my prayers.

Chris Spitkovsky, RN/Care Coordinator at DSCC

Chris Spitkovsky - January 12, 2023 at 05:51 PM

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Prayers and love to Brenda and Michael, family and friends. Jo was so smart, sweet and kind, with a fun loving bit of ornery. She always made me smile. If you talked about the Cardinals in ear shot, there was a fun remark about the Cubs! I missed her and sister Brenda when they both retired. I suppose she is retired in a different way now. No worries, no pressure, just peace. You will be missed but your memories will be in our hearts forever. Take care my friend!

Andrea Cox (Luka) - January 17, 2023 at 09:08 AM