



Janice Marie Davidson

August 16, 1945 - October 14, 2018

On Sunday, October 14th, 2018, Janice (Lease) Davidson passed away peacefully in her sleep at the age of 73.

Jan was born on August 16th, 1945 in Rochester, PA to Martin and Marie (Swartz) Lease. She graduated from Ambridge Area Senior High School in 1963 and from Robert Morris Junior College in 1965. While working as a civil servant for the United States Marine Corps in Washington, DC, she met and married the love of her life, Charles (Chuck) Davidson, IV in April of 1972. They had three children, Brian (d. 1972), Rebecca "Becky" and Kerri.

Jan had a passion for people. Throughout her life she volunteered for organizations that supported people of all kind, from the local hospital, YWCA, marriage preparatory class through her church and for Soldier's Angels. Her great empathy allowed her friends and family to rest their troubles at her feet and walk away lighter in heart. She had an uncanny way of seeing that people were struggling and providing reassurance through her great hugs, listening ears or a simple offer to pray for them.

She was fiercely devoted to her family. She encouraged and was elated in her family's activities and successes, from early dance recitals, numerous band concerts/competitions to grad school graduations. Jan delighted in the opportunity to celebrate and have the family together and of course color and

snuggle with her grand babies.

While she and Chuck moved more than average families, they lived the longest at their current residence in Greer, SC. In South Carolina, she flourished, delighting in the southern sense of friendliness and spontaneous roses her husband would adorn their table with from their garden. She and Chuck made great use of their timeshare, traveling nearly every month from one gorgeous destination to the next, with occasional stop-ins at their daughters' houses. In between trips, she frequently found herself in various escapades, generally inspired by her desire to help other people or thank them for their service, and then soon finding out their life stories.

Her deep devotion of God was apparent in the trail of love she and Chuck left through their various living locations. They were spiritually lifted and fed through their work in the Episcopal Dioceses of Northwestern Pennsylvania, Connecticut, Kansas and New York. While in South Carolina, she and Chuck became members of the Anglican Church and she demonstrated her dedication, serving as a member of the altar guild, hospitality team and prayer team. She was called by God in the ministry of healing and could seemingly channel God's words of love and guidance while laying hands on those who requested it.

Jan is survived by her husband Chuck, daughters Rebecca (Christopher Arps) and Kerri (Michael Haack, Sr), brother Craig "Rick" (Margie) Lease, grandchildren Avery and Michael "Mitch" Haack, Jr, special uncle Harold "Bucky" (Joyce) Swartz, "adopted son" Felix (Stephanie) Wenzel, cousins, nieces, nephews, and all of her kids' friends that sat at her table.

A funeral service will take place for her at Living Waters Funeral Home in Lyman, SC on Saturday, November 3rd at 10am with a reception to follow at her home. Her burial will take place on Tuesday, November 6th at 11am at

Hickory Grove Cemetery in Waverly, Pa.

In lieu of flowers, donations can be made to her favorite organization, Soldiers' Angels: <https://soldiersangels.org/>, 2700 NE Loop 410, Suite 310
San Antonio, TX 78217

Tribute Wall

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“ *The Marty Lease family purchased the Divine Peace Bouquet for the family of Janice Marie Davidson.*



The Marty Lease family - October 30, 2018 at 11:35 AM

MR

“ *Margie and Rick purchased the Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum for the family of Janice Marie Davidson.*



Margie and Rick - October 29, 2018 at 09:57 PM

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“ *We met Jan & Chuck when we moved to Bradford in 1978; Chuck was Tom's boss. When our families relocated to Connecticut, we became closer. Then our families were separated -- theirs to South Carolina & ours to Pennsylvania. We stayed with Jan & Chuck in 2012 when we came south for our vacation. She was the best -- always willing to lend a hand -- just enjoyed her company and her wonderful sense of humor. She will be sorely missed. Our deepest sympathy goes to the family she left behind.*

Linda & Tom Wable - October 24, 2018 at 01:29 PM

FM

“ Sincerely sorry to learn of Jan's passing. We enjoyed many a cup of coffee and each other's company in Bradford while the kids (Becky, Liz, Sally, and Kerry) played together. Jan was a beautiful, caring, compassionate, and lovely woman who touched many lives. Prayers to you all during this difficult time.
Faye

Faye Myers - October 24, 2018 at 10:32 AM

BS

“ On behalf of our family, I send sincere condolences to the family. We first met the Davidson's when We moved to Bradford Pa. Thanks to Jan for making that transition easier for us. We became good friends. We continued on to Ct. Then Kansas City. RIP dear friend. The Scruton family.

Brenda Scruton - October 23, 2018 at 08:23 AM