



Janice Mae Marks

May 12, 1936 - November 28, 2015

Jan Marks, 79, passed peacefully on Saturday, November 28th, 2015 at Gordon Hospice House in Statesville, NC, with her loving husband of 58 years by her side. Jan was born on May 12th, 1936 to Ernest and Blanche Gibson in Detroit, MI. Her early years were spent in Ohio and Michigan; until she graduated from Morenci High School in 1954 and then went on to attend Michigan State University. Jan married her husband, Herbert B. Marks on April 27th, 1957 and together they raised 3 sons—Todd, Gregg, and Scott. As a family, they moved many times, living in Michigan, Ohio, Arkansas, and South Dakota. They spent the majority of their years in South Dakota, where Jan sold Avon, taught piano lessons, was an organist and pianist at local church and community events. She also owned and operated Flowers Plus, the local flower & gift shop in Highmore, SD, which was truly a passion of hers. In 1998, Jan and Herb moved to North Carolina to be closer to their 3 grandchildren and enjoy their retirement. Jan thoroughly enjoyed the changing seasons and tending to her many gardens, as well as reading a good book and knitting. Jan continued play the piano and organ at a number of local churches, including her home church, St. Mark's Lutheran Church in Mooresville, NC. She also helped occasionally at local flower shops and shared the gift of piano with many students while she was able. Jan was welcomed into Heaven by her parents, Ernie and Blanche, along with two brothers-in-law, William Marks and Wesley Hunt, and a nephew, Bradley Marks. Jan will be missed dearly by her loving husband, Herb, and children:

Todd and Terry Marks of Harrisburg, SD; Gregg and Dana Marks of Bristol, TN; and Scott and Marie Marks of Mooresville, NC; three grandchildren, Jaycee Dedmon (Bobby) of Mooresville, NC, Trevor Marks and Tregg Marks, both of Mooresville, NC. Jan is also survived by her sister, Carole Ignarski (Joseph) of FL, sisters-in-law, Leola Hunt and Mildred Marks of MI, and brother-in-law Stan Marks (Judy) of CA, along with numerous nieces and nephews, family, and friends. A memorial service will be held at 11 AM, Saturday, December 5, 2015, at St. Mark's Lutheran Church, Mooresville, with Rev. Ed Crotty officiating. The family will receive friends from 6 – 8 PM, Friday, December 4, 2015, at Cavin-Cook Funeral Home, Mooresville. In lieu of flowers, memorial gifts may be made to Gordon Hospice House, 2341 Simonton Road, Statesville, NC, 28625 or St. Mark's Lutheran Church Organ Fund, 454 Fieldstone Rd., Mooresville, NC 28115. Cavin-Cook Funeral Home, Mooresville, is serving the family of Mrs. Marks. Condolences may be made to the Marks family at www.cavin-cook.com.

Tribute Wall



“ *Janice Mae Marks*

February 14, 2021 at 11:24 AM



“ *Janice Mae Marks*

February 14, 2021 at 11:04 AM



“ *Janice Mae Marks*

February 14, 2021 at 11:03 AM



“ *Jan gave piano lessons to both of our girls. Our youngest enjoys playing a lot and intends to move our piano to her home someday. Jan went with me when we purchased the piano because I had no idea how to pick one out. Jan was a great lady. It was a loss for our community when you two decided to move. Thoughts & prayers are with you.*

Connie Konrad - December 04, 2015 at 12:00 AM



“ *Jan and I had many nice chats as I was walking my dog, Gus, around the neighborhood. I'll always remember the camping trip we took with the Marks family to Cherokee, NC.*

Lea Beazley - December 04, 2015 at 12:00 AM

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“ As a little girl, Jan used to babysit me often. Many times I even got to spend the night. She would turn on the heated blanket in the bedroom upstairs so my bed would be warm. In the morning she always cut my toast into triangles and it tasted so good. Jan would always let me put on her endless samples of Avon makeup and it never failed that Herb would say, "Chels, how did you get all that dirt on your face?" I have the fondest memories of such a special person. Please know you are all in my thoughts and prayers. What a wonderful lady.

Chelsie Krab (Christmann) - December 03, 2015 at 12:00 AM

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“ We feel so blessed that we got to have Jan in our lives! She was a wonderful person! Mr. Marks we are here for you always. You are part of our family. We love you! The Nemecheks

Andrea Nemechek - December 03, 2015 at 12:00 AM



“ Jan was such a spark of joy - always smiling, always out-going, and always a good friend. Loved to read, loved her flowers, and best of all LOVED her family.

December 02, 2015 at 12:00 AM

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“ Sorry for your loss Herb. My thoughts and Prayers are with you and your family.

Amy Sinniger - November 30, 2015 at 12:00 AM

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“ Gregg and Dana, my thoughts are with you during your time of loss.

Denise Dickenson - November 29, 2015 at 12:00 AM



“ Thinking of your family!Prayers! Pat Loftin

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November 29, 2015 at 12:00 AM



“ I am so sorry for your loss. Please know that your family is in my prayers. Jan was a wonderful woman. I'm sure she probably leading the angel choir as I'm typing.

Cathy Kerr - November 29, 2015 at 12:00 AM



“ So sorry to hear of your loss, Todd and Terry. My sympathy to all your family.

Brenda (Myers) Wehkamp - November 28, 2015 at 12:00 AM



“ So sorry to hear the news. Jan started my daughter on piano lessons when she was just 4 yrs. old and now she is teaching her own girls to play. Sympathy to you all.

Kathy (Durfee) Jackson - November 28, 2015 at 12:00 AM

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“ So sorry for your loss Herb you and your family will be in my prayers.

Chuck Hagerty - November 28, 2015 at 12:00 AM



“ Jan was a wonderful piano teacher for our daughters, and a dedicated organist at Our Savior. I remember her grand piano so very well. She left a wonderful legacy of students. Our sympathy to her family. What a grand lady she was. Sincerely from LaVaughn and Jan Busse in South Dakota and from our four daughters who all still play piano.

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November 28, 2015 at 12:00 AM

JW

“ Sorry for your loss. I remember Jan as always having a smile on her face, and a kind word for everyone. Prayers for the Marks' family.

Jeff Whiting - November 28, 2015 at 12:00 AM