



Joan S. Howry

January 23, 2021

Joan S. Howry, 78, of Lancaster, died peacefully on Saturday, January 23, 2021 at Legend of Lancaster. Born in Reading, PA she was the daughter of the late Stanley J. and Stella (Vilgot) Urban. A graduate of Wilson High School, she was married to her husband, Robert P. Howry, Jr. for 56 years.

It was an early passion for sports cars that led to Joan and Robert meeting each other and spending the rest of her life with him. After they married, she was the bookkeeper for the family business, the Howry Butcher Shop at Central Market. She raised two children and worked a variety of jobs.

Joan was a member of the Willow Street Women's Club, Porsche Club, and enjoyed horses with her daughter, showed dogs (with one making it to Westminster). She was continually active in running, biking, and kayaking which their second home on the Chesapeake Bay allowed for. She traveled to many destinations including Maine, California, Hawaii, Florida to visit her daughter, and a trip to Germany. She attended Reading Jazz Fest frequently to enjoy some of her favorite music.

In addition to her husband, Robert, Joan is survived by her two children, Robert P. Howry, III of Lancaster and Heather Hermany (and her husband Brian) of Palm Beach County, FL.

Friends are invited to a Graveside Service at Longeneckers Reformed Mennonite Cemetery, 604 Strasburg Pike, Lancaster, PA 17602 on Wednesday, February 3, 2021 at 1:00 p.m.

In lieu of flowers, memorial contributions in Joan's name may be made to Alzheimer's Association, address 225 N. Michigan Avenue, Fl. 17, Chicago, IL 60601 or www.alz.org.

Previous Events

Graveside

FEB 3. 1:00 PM (ET)

Longenecker's Reform Mennonite Cemetery
604 Strasburg Pike
Lancaster, PA 17604

Tribute Wall



“ *Joan S. Howry*

October 22, 2023 at 11:34 PM



“ *Bob, Just now learned of Joan's passing. I'm so sorry for your loss. I have many good memories of her and her parents, Uncle Stanley and Aunt Stella. I remember her love of sports cars too.*

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Nancy Urban Ketner

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Nancy Ketner - February 06, 2021 at 05:28 PM



“ *Bob, my sympathy to you during this hard time. I sure do miss see you and Joan at the butcher shop and those good pork chops.*

---Janice Guy Frey

Willow Valley

Janice Frey - January 31, 2021 at 05:45 PM



“ *Dennis Urban purchased the Peace, Prayers, & Blessings- Lavender and White for the family of Joan S. Howry.*



Dennis Urban - January 31, 2021 at 05:35 PM



“ *We are so sorry to hear of Joan's passing. She was at Legend's with my father, Ed, who passed December 4th, 2020. Our prayers and thoughts are with you and your family. She was such a sweet person, always had a smile on her face!!*

Pamela & Steven Sprout - January 28, 2021 at 06:13 PM

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“Joan is my cousin's and closest friend. we have enjoyed each other's company from little girls on up through adulthood. We both loved our sports cars, I had a tr3 and she had a Austin Healey. Spent several years vacationing at the beach with family, went to dances, went to sports car shows, concerts, weekends at Rock Hall, Maryland, almost did everything together.

I have many fond memories.

I miss you Joan, I love you, and may God rest your soul.

My deepest condolences to Bob, Rob, and Heather.

Gloria Urban - January 27, 2021 at 11:49 AM