



Janet Renee Schiefferly

June 15, 1943 - May 25, 2019

Janet Renee Freshour Schiefferly was born on June 15, 1943, to Terry and Theresa Freshour in Stockton, California. Janet passed on May 25, 2019 surrounded by her loving family and ready to join her husband Gerald Leon Schiefferly in peace.

Janet was raised in Stockton, California, and frequently worked in her family's produce and grocery business. She graduated from high school in Linden, after already dating the love of her life, Jerry, as high school sweethearts. Jan and Jerry met, as Jerry's sister was Janet's best friend and he was the handsome older brother that lived down the country lane and they married on September 3, 1961.

Shortly thereafter Jerry was drafted and together they moved to Washington DC, and Janet began working for the Pentagon as a typist. When Jerry was honorably discharged they moved back to California where they bought a grocery store in Sutter Creek, California.

In February of 1964, Jerry and Janet had their first child, Lisa Renee Schiefferly (Paul) and together they moved to Vallejo where Janet took a position with Solano County Social Services and Jerry worked at Mare Island Naval Shipyard. Janet worked and served many women in her role at the Social Services Agency and would continue to promote health, welfare and services that would benefit women and their families throughout her life.

In 1968 they moved to Napa and shortly thereafter, Jerry and Janet had their son, Gerald Matthew Schiefferly. Janet began to work in the insurance field and became an Independent Agent with a successful client base with Sanders, Jacobs, Cassayre and Griffin Insurance Agency in Napa. As a successful business woman, Janet was actively participating and served a number of officer roles, including President for Soroptomist International. Janet was also active in the Women's Guild at St. Apollinaris Church. In 1993 Janet left her long time position took her book of business and joined as employee #3 to help Lisa and Matt start Paul Hanson Partners where she retired in 2013.

Janet loved to bowl and started in a women's league and couples league at Bel Aire and then Napa Bowl from 1970 to this last winter. Jerry and Jan could be found for years every Friday night laughing with friends and family with Jan, often the prankster and gambler, on who would have the best roll of the night. If you knew Jan, you also knew her common ask was, "hey, wanna join a bowling league?" In addition to bowling Jan loved to quilt and spent many hours sewing and participating in the Napa Valley Quilters. As they both retired, Janet and Jerry traveled extensively throughout the US and Europe, but really enjoyed being home, more than travel if it involved spending time with their eight grandchildren, and more recently two great grandchildren.

Janet was a woman who successfully managed a career and family, and had a marvelous time doing it. She loved to cook for family and friends and enjoyed being social. She often was found as a leader and promoter of women in several non profit organizations throughout her life, but most of all she loved Jerry and in recent years had missed him terribly where she now joins him in peace doing what they loved together most, spending time with friends and family.

Janet is survived by her daughter, Lisa and husband Marvin Paul, of Napa, her son Matt Schiefferly and wife Shannon O'Shaughnessy of Napa, her grandchildren, Curtis Paul and his wife, Renee Reed and their sons Kayden and Braxton, Ryan Paul, Madison Paul, Jacqueline Paul, Natalie Schiefferly, Owen Schiefferly, Jack Ryan and Sean Ryan.

Please join Janet's family in loving memory at a rosary prayer service to be held at Claffey and Rota Funeral Home at 1975 Main Street, Napa, CA on Friday May 31st at 6:30pm, a Mass of Christian Burial at St. Apollinaris Catholic Church 3700 Lassen Street, Napa, CA on Saturday June 1st at 11am, followed by burial at Tulocay Cemetery 411 Coombsville Road, Napa. Join a celebration of Janet's life with her family at 3091 Vichy Ave, Napa, CA. 94559 immediately following the burial.

Cemetery

Tulocay Cemetery

411 Coombsville Rd

Napa, CA, 94558

Events

MAY **Rosary** 06:30PM - 07:30PM

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Claffey & Rota Funeral Home

1975 Main Street, Napa, CA, US, 94559

JUN **Mass** 11:00AM - 12:00PM

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St Apollinaris Catholic Church

3700 Lassen St, Napa, CA, US, 94558-2399

Comments



“ I was going up a mountain four wheeling with both Jerry and Janet and ask her if she was enjoying it. She said she would much rather be watching the four wheels on a slot machine, I turned around and went to Tahoe.
Bill

Bill - June 30 at 02:24 PM



“ What a shock to learn of Jan's passing, I will miss her so much, her smile, her sense of humor, the updates on her family, kids, grands, great grands. Oh, her love for you all went on and on. What a dear friend. She is happy now , with Jerry. I am so glad to have known her.

Linda Feutz

Linda Feutz - June 02 at 05:37 PM



“ Dear Lisa, & Family,
Although I did not know your Mother well, only having met her a few times, I remember her as being charming and vivacious...I'm so sorry for the loss of your loved one. Please convey my thoughts to your family.

I remember your family well from Northwood School, all of you were a wonderful addition to Northwood with your active participation, great ideas, and skills.

Thinking of you in friendship,
Judy Thomas
Former Northwood School Colleague

Judy Thomas - June 01 at 06:37 PM



“ So sorry for Jan"s passing, will miss her at bowling. She had a great right hook. May she rest in peace with Jerry, Elaine Pieratt

Elaine Pieratt - June 01 at 04:14 PM



“ What a wonderful women. A mother or a grandmother to so many that she adopted as her extended family. Always with a smile and a good story she made our times with her ones of many fond memories. All our love to the Schiefferlys, Pauls, O'Shaugnessey/Ryans.

Todd Zapolski - May 31 at 08:05 PM



“ Simply Chic Mixed Plant Basket was purchased for the family of Janet Renee Schiefferly.



May 31 at 02:17 PM



“ Basket Full of Wishes was purchased for the family of Janet Renee Schiefferly.



May 30 at 07:18 PM



“ Country Basket Blooms was purchased for the family of Janet Renee Schiefferly.



May 30 at 04:07 PM



“ Arrive in Style was purchased for the family of Janet Renee Schiefferly.



May 30 at 04:01 PM



“ My sincere condolences to Jan's family. She and I worked together at Napa County Welfare in the late 60's. We shared in lots of laughs and mischief. We reconnected through our mutual love of quilting, and I would meet with her and Jerry at some quilt shows. She was so proud of her family. She was such a giving person, and I will miss her.

Candy Hanson Brown

Candy Brown - May 30 at 01:06 PM



“ I remember when I was about 4 or 5 aunt Janet picked me up from Sunday school she asked me what religion I was. I replied" your catholic right? She replied "yes" I then told her I was just plain then!" I will never forget her beautiful laugh because she laughed the rest of the way home!

Janet whitehouse - May 30 at 11:51 AM



“ Saddened and shocked, my heart hurts with Jan's family. I knew Jan as an employee of Paul Hanson and a sister Soroptimist. Her suggestion for a speaker for our club was the catalyst for all clubs in the Sierra Nevada Region to participate in the Dress-A-Girl Around the World program. Thousands of dresses were made from pillowcases and delivered to under developed countries. Little girls wearing dresses preventing them from being targets of sexual predators. I know she lived making a difference for women and children. Jan, you will always have that special place in my heart. Marilyn Garnett

Marilyn Garnett - May 31 at 11:04 AM



“ We moved down the street from Janet when she was 9 & I was twelve and we became good friends but then she became a better friend with my oldest brother, Jerry! We had some great times when we were kids.

I'm going to miss talking with her, she was a great gal.

Carol Schiefferly Whitehouse

Carol - May 29 at 05:03 PM



“ Dawn Rothwell and Faye Smyle purchased the Beautiful in Blue for the family of Janet Renee Schiefferly.



Dawn Rothwell and Faye Smyle - May 29 at 03:48 PM



“ Jan you will be surely missed by many and loved by everyone! Thank you for the life long advice and your special gift of a good story often. I will forever cherish the special blanket you and Jerry gave me for my 40th birthday celebration, that you made by hand with love, time and energy.

You created, mentored and raised beautiful friends of mine in Lisa and Matt as well as their children and their children's children. Your job was well done from start to finish. Go in peace and be with your forever soulmate Jerry. I send a warm hug and nothing but healing thoughts to your family and I know you will continue to look after them all. Much love.....Dawn Rothwell

Dawn Rothwell - May 29 at 03:23 PM



“ We have been bowling with Jan the last few years and more recently her grandson. I always loved my little talks with Jan, her telling me about your grandbabies and even the dogs. She would love to talk about her trip to Italy with Jerry. I will miss out little chats and so sorry to hear of her passing. You were loved and will be missed Jan. Dave and Stacie Gutierrez



stacie - May 29 at 03:02 PM



“ Your Friends at HUB International purchased the Peace Eternal Wreath for the family of Janet Renee Schiefferly.



Your Friends at HUB International - May 29 at 01:58 PM



“ When I heard the news this morning, my heart was broken. Jan was always a wonderful friend and she had the funniest stories to tell of her life experiences (sometimes I would hear them more times than once, bless her heart). That is why I know her greatest joy in life was being a mom, grandma and great-grandma. She was over the moon proud of each one of you. I know others and I will undeniably miss her greatly.

-Ann Nelson

Ann Nelson - May 29 at 11:52 AM



“ So sorry Jan. We will miss you but know you are in a better place with Jerry and our heavenly father. Sorry for your family's lost. RIP Jan.

Linda Souza, Napa Valley Quilters

Linda Souza - May 29 at 02:47 PM



“ Sincere condolences to all of Jan's family. I had the pleasure of bowling with sweet Jan the last couple of years and she was a great lady to be with! She shared great stories of her amazing life & talk about her family that she loved so very much. We will miss you, Jan..

Linda Stoltz - May 29 at 11:29 AM