



Janice Marie Kraus

November 20, 1952 - April 22, 2019

Janice Marie Kraus, age 66, a lifelong resident of Bad Axe, passed away peacefully on Monday, April 22, 2019 at her home surrounded by her family. Janice was born November 20, 1952 in Detroit, daughter of the late Jack F. and Anna M. (Gergely) Ward.

Janice graduated from Bad Axe High School in 1970, and she was employed as a secretary with a local accounting firm until her retirement in 2004. Janice was a lifelong parishioner at St. Hubert Parish-Sacred Heart Catholic Church in Bad Axe and a member of the Fr. Solanus Casey Guild. As a member of the Verona Hills Golf Club, she enjoyed golfing and socializing with her friends. Janice also loved playing with her grandchildren, traveling around the world with her husband and spending time at the beach in Florida. Janice was an avid cook, making the best pasties and pies. She was known by her friends and family as a warm, caring person, always having a beautiful smile on her face. She will be missed by everyone.

Janice is survived by her husband, retired Judge Karl E. Kraus of Bad Axe; five children, including Carrie (Christopher) Barrette of Shelby Township, Joseph (Morgan) Bator of North Branch, Brooke (Brandon) Russell of Rockford, Matthew (Lisa) Kraus of Grand Rapids and Brian (Dana) Kraus of Rockford. She is also survived by four brothers, including Michael Ward of New Haven, Bruce (Jennifer) Ward of Lake Mills, Wisconsin, Allan (Susan) Ward of Sand Pointe and Kenneth (Machelle) Ward of Salt Lake City, Utah. Janice is also survived by one sister, Patricia (Roy) Deneen of Bad Axe. She

had eleven grandchildren including Kyler, Jack, Jolie, Easton, Baylee, Bryce, Briar, Kaitlin, Mackenzie, Morgan and Sara.

Janice was preceded in death by her first husband Trooper Bernard Bator and her brother Scott Ward.

A Mass of Christian Burial will be held on Thursday, April 25, 2019 at 11 am at St. Hubert Parish-Sacred Heart Catholic Church in Bad Axe. Officiating will be Fr. Rob Howe, pastor. Burial will be in the church cemetery. Friends may visit at the Kaufman Funeral Home in Bad Axe on Wednesday, April 24, 2019 from 1-8pm or Thursday at the church from 10am until the service time at 11am.

A scripture service will be offered on Wednesday at 7pm at the funeral home. In lieu of flowers, memorials may be offered to the Fr. Solanus Casey Guild.

Cemetery Details

Sacred Heart Cemetery

Bad Axe, MI 48413

Previous Events

Visitation

APR 24. 1:00 PM - 8:00 PM (ET)

Kaufman & Co. Funeral Home, Inc.
84 Westland Dr
Bad Axe, MI 48413
(989) 269-3000
kaufmanfuneralhome@gmail.com

Scripture Service

APR 24. 7:00 PM - 7:30 PM (ET)

Kaufman & Co. Funeral Home, Inc.
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Visitation

APR 25. 10:00 AM - 11:00 AM (ET)

St Hubert Parish-Sacred Heart Catholic Church
Bad Axe, MI 48413

Funeral Mass

APR **25**. 11:00 AM - 12:00 PM (ET)

St Hubert Parish-Sacred Heart Catholic Church
311 Whitlam St
Bad Axe, MI 48413
(989) 269-772

Tribute Wall



“ *Janice Marie Kraus*

January 28, 2023 at 01:32 PM



“ *I was so sorry to hear about Janice. My thoughts and prayers are with you.*

Linda (Schmitt) Koroleski

Linda Koroleski - May 06, 2019 at 07:59 PM



“ *So sad for one of our nicest classmates to leave us too soon. Janice was always smiling and friendly even during the tough times she went through. Sincerely, Dan Gay*

Dan Gay - April 28, 2019 at 03:05 PM



“ *What a beautiful and kind person Jan was. She hired me to DJ her and Karl's wedding. She always had a smile anytime we would see her at church or around town. Condolences to Karl, Patty, Ken and rest of family. Cathy and Gary Meredith, Midland.*

Gary Meredith - April 26, 2019 at 07:18 PM



“ *I am thankful that Janice shared her intelligence, wit and joyful laughter. I will keep the memory of her and those times in my heart. Deepest sympathy.*

Louise Bator & Harold Kurtz

Louise F Bator - April 25, 2019 at 01:57 PM

KH

“ My prayers & comfort to the family with the passing of Jan. Worked with her at the insurance office and we shared many great times. Jan's smile and her kindness will always be remembered. Heaven has gained one very special angel. My sincere sympathy to the family. Prayers to all

Kelli (Winter) Hendrick

Kelli Hendrick - April 25, 2019 at 09:27 AM

AB

“ Janice had such a warming kind way that made it extra special to know her. Deepest sympathy from Andrea (BATOR) and Al Butlin.

Andrea Butlin - April 24, 2019 at 09:45 PM

DR

“ Dear Family and Friends,
Janice's name always brought a smile to my face, except now. I am deeply saddened at the news of her passing. As a young adult, I spent almost 3 years in the early 70's with Janice in the office. She was a positive force. Everyone loved her. She was a people person, showing respect to others. Since those days, we were delighted to see each other during those chance meetings.
May The Angles Welcome Her To Paradise!
My sympathy to all. We will miss her.

Denise (Guza) Rice - April 24, 2019 at 07:57 PM

BB

“ Prayers from our family to yours - Janice's smile and kindness will forever inspire us to share the same with everyone. Bill & Carol Bator

Bill Bator - April 24, 2019 at 07:18 PM



“ *Medium Dish Garden was purchased for the family of Janice Marie Kraus.*



April 24, 2019 at 11:21 AM



“ *McNeil/Dhadwal/Gustafson/Beauchamp clan purchased the Lavender Reflections Spray for the family of Janice Marie Kraus.*



McNeil/Dhadwal/Gustafson/Beauchamp clan - April 24, 2019 at 11:12 AM



“ *My condolences and prayers to your family. God's blessings.*

matt ney - April 24, 2019 at 10:31 AM



“ *Full Of Love Bouquet was purchased for the family of Janice Marie Kraus.*



April 24, 2019 at 09:55 AM

DW

“ Jan was always fun to golf with. She loved the game, life, her family and friends. She loved to cook for her husband, I shared many recipes with her. I feel very blessed to have known her. She will be truly missed by all. 💕💕
Della Wolschleger

Della Wolschleger - April 24, 2019 at 07:43 AM

MN

“ Al and Patty....Sorry to hear of Jan's passing. She was such a nice person...HUGS!!!

MaryAnne NeyCarder - April 24, 2019 at 12:12 AM



“ Gracious Lavender Basket was purchased for the family of Janice Marie Kraus.



April 23, 2019 at 11:25 PM

OX

“ Our Condolences, The Adragna Family xo purchased the Arrive in Style for the family of Janice Marie Kraus.



Our Condolences, The Adragna Family xo - April 23, 2019 at 08:31 PM



“ *Pink Potpourri Bouquet was purchased for the family of Janice Marie Kraus.*



April 23, 2019 at 08:16 PM



“ *Sweet Tenderness was purchased for the family of Janice Marie Kraus.*



April 23, 2019 at 07:59 PM



“ *Jan and I met because of breast cancer, what an amazing light and positive person she was!!! I am so sad to hear of her passing. I will be saying prayers for her family.*



Tina Conrad - April 23, 2019 at 07:53 PM

CA

“ We have been honored to have been able to know Jan. As our families have crossed paths with "The Barrette family"! Such an amazing beautiful women inside and out, her smile her gentle heart that lights up a room wherever she was, it sure showed for itself the light of Christ within her soul !

It feels as though the connection she had with friends and family was truly special and genuine, as I can speak for our family she has touched us in many ways that we will forever remember her in our hearts.

2Corinthians 4:17 For our momentary, light distress this passing trouble is producing for us an eternal weight of glory a fullness beyond all measure surpassing all comparisons, a transcendent splendor and an endless blessedness.

Our condolences to this entire family, may the lord give you all of his perfect peace and his grace for today and for those days to come, and those beautiful memories live in your hearts forever until you meet again.

Love, Joe, Cristina, Marissa, Sabrina & Gabriella Adragna

Cristina Adragna - April 23, 2019 at 07:29 PM

MM

“ So sorry for your loss. She was a beautiful person inside and out.
Mark and Maggie McAleer

Maggie McAleer - April 23, 2019 at 05:17 PM

GB

“ Gracious and kind are words that will always define our memory of Janice. Our deepest sympathies to all. *Greg and Cecilia Bator*

Gregory & Cecilia Bator - April 23, 2019 at 05:15 PM



“ *Peaceful White Lilies Basket was purchased for the family of Janice Marie Kraus.*



April 23, 2019 at 03:39 PM



“ *Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum was purchased for the family of Janice Marie Kraus.*



April 23, 2019 at 03:26 PM



“ *Janice has been a friend of our family for 40 years. We rejoiced in the birth of our children and grandchildren. Even though we did not live close by all the time, we kept in touch. She was always a delight to talk to on the phone and even kept her sense of humor during her recent illness.*

She will be missed!

The Sheehan and Reinhardt Families

Nancy Sheehan - April 23, 2019 at 02:22 PM



“ *So sorry to hear of Janice's passing. Our prayers to the entire family. She was such a fun, caring and thoughtful person. She will be missed.*

Karen & Duey Holz

Karen Holz - April 23, 2019 at 01:38 PM

JC

“ *Jan was a wonderful person, genuine in all respects. I loved working with her in our Christian Mothers group. She was a real blessing and I will miss her. God bless her and my sympathies to her family. God bless you during this difficult time.*

Jim and Delphine Czewski - April 23, 2019 at 01:28 PM

CW

“ *May Jan rest in peace & let perpetual light shine upon her. Jan was such a loving & kind person & a wonderful sister-in-law. She will forever be in our hearts!*

*Love,
Mark & Carol Wojcik(Bator)
Danielle & Colette*

Carol Wojcik - April 23, 2019 at 01:21 PM

TW

“ *Tom & Sharon Wingstad purchased the Strength & Solace Spray for the family of Janice Marie Kraus.*



Tom & Sharon Wingstad - April 23, 2019 at 12:37 PM

RG

“ *Prayers and sympathy to the family of Janice Kraus, on behalf of her Iowa Gergely and Gasper cousins.*

Rita Gergely

Rita Gergely - April 23, 2019 at 12:36 PM



“ *To Janice in Heaven.....Even though there have been times we were far apart we were always best of friends. Never wonder, I was always at your side.*

We had so many good times in our earlier years and so many memories to reminiscence about whenever we got together as we aged.

The day spent last fall with you and all of your family at the campground, is a fond Joy I will cherish. You have a very loving, caring, giving family. I always felt welcome and one of the gang. Look down on us from time to time and guide us as our lives go on. Someday each one of us will be at your side again.

Love You with all my Heart, Your forever Friend - Ann



Ann Hall - April 23, 2019 at 11:06 AM



A beautiful life cut way too short. Just remember that Jan has now received the ultimate gift she is now in heaven.

Jim and Laurie Horiski

Laurie Horiski - April 25, 2019 at 09:36 AM