



Jo Ann Houseman

January 31, 1935 - July 23, 2022

Jo Ann (Jo) Houseman (nee Maisonneuve)

Age 87, passed away peacefully at her residence on July 23, 2022 with her loving family at her side, following a courageous battle with Alzheimer's disease.

Jo was born to Harvey and Minnie Maisonneuve on January 31st, 1935, in Kankakee, Illinois. She was brought up in a traditional French Catholic home and was the 5th oldest of 8 children. She graduated from Bradley Bourbonnais Community High School in Bradley, IL. Jo married Robert (Bob) Lambert and they had 4 children with 12 grandchildren and 12 great grandchildren. She married Hubert Houseman in 1983 and lovingly supported him and his 2 children.

Jo Ann started her career at The Kroehler Furniture Company where she built many friendships. She was a loving wife and homemaker. Jo re-entered the work force at Eagle grocery store in Joliet, IL. Then pursued her true passion by opening an in-home Daycare providing the community with a personalized place to care for children for 20+ years. Jo retired her Daycare in 2010 and spent the remainder of her life sitting on her porch swing, tending to her roses, and socializing. But most importantly being with her husband, children and grandchildren, along with her devotion to her faith and the Immaculate Heart Church family.

Survived by her devoted husband of 39 years, her 6 children; Michelle(Scott) Holladay, Laurie(Eric) Beltzhoover, Mike (Georganne Keigher) Lambert and

Jennifer(Don) Eckels, Tracie Houseman, Erik(Kim) Houseman; 11 grandchildren; Holly Ameline, Erica(Chris) Kenney, Nina Bartels, Nolan(Kaylynn)Suste, Ryan Beltzhoover, Rachel(Eric) Perczynski, Kelly Lambert, Ashley(Jake) Murphy, Shannon(Brian)Leary, Sarah(Mark) Cunzolo, Elizabeth(Spencer) Miller and Claudia(Christopher) Darr. 12 great grandchildren. Siblings; Gerald(Dolores) Maisonneuve, and Judy Maisonneuve. Many loving nieces and nephews.

Preceded in death by her parents and siblings; Marlene Wilson, Harvey Maisonneuve, Tony Maisonneuve, Teresa Miller, Karen (Earl) Meyers and Grandson: Scotty Southcomb.

We are blessed and eternally grateful for the care and compassion provided by her physicians especially Dr. Mobolaji Suleiman, Kelly Derr, and Staff. Christine and Leah of Traditions Hospice, Rachel Kamp along with the staff at Catholic Charities of Kankakee.

We want to personally thank "Janice" from Help at Home for her consistent devotion and care for Jo.

Ephesians 6:2-3 "Honor your father and mother," which is the first commandment with promise: "that it may be well with you, and you may live long on the earth.

"In lieu of flowers please send a donation in memory of Jo Ann Houseman to: Catholic Charities Diocese of Joliet, 16555 Weber Road., Crest Hill, IL 60403, is greatly appreciated.

Visitation will be held 4:00 p.m. – 8:00 p.m. on Wednesday, July 27, 2022 at Clancy-Gernon Funeral Home in Bourbonnais.

Funeral services will be held at 11:00 a.m. on Thursday, July 28, 2022, also at the funeral home.

Interment will follow at Mt. Calvary Cemetery in Kankakee.

Cemetery Details

Mount Calvary

2000 E. Court St.
Kankakee, IL

Previous Events

Visitation

JUL 27. 4:00 PM - 8:00 PM (CT)

Bourbonnais - Clancy-Gernon Funeral Homes, Inc.
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Funeral Service

JUL 28. 11:00 AM (CT)

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Tribute Wall

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“ Dearest Jo, It is unbelievable to me that just a few short weeks ago we were laughing, joking and talking as we always have. Then suddenly you were gone. I am so thankful that you have been in my life, and for the joy, wisdom, kindness and love that you always showed to me. Thank-you for your ever-present honesty, sincerity, kindness, faithfulness and wonderful sense of humor. Thank-you for your tender heart towards everyone and everything, and your deep faith that you followed so powerfully all through your lifetime.

I am grateful to you for your strong and unwavering pro-life stance, and for respecting and protecting all life, from the tiniest little infant, to the elderly and infirmed adult. I will never forget how you fought valiantly against all forms of euthanasia. You are safely in the hands of Jesus now, who loves you dearly, who never slumbers and who makes all things right. I will keep you close in my heart and in my prayers. May you rest peacefully and happily in the arms of Jesus, my sweet friend.

I love you, Jo.

Wendy

Wendy Ludwig - July 27, 2022 at 07:14 PM

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“ My dear friend Jo,

I will always treasure this beautiful gift from God who came into my life. She was strong, funny, a hard worker, suffered illnesses throughout the years with such wonderful courage. Her love of God, the true Catholic Church and the Mass was inspiring. She never wavered. Her charity for others knew no bounds. Never did she neglect in helping take care of her family and friends in need. Her hard earned money she gifted to others...most generous .I loved her, as did all of her friends. She was so good to me.

Judith Provost

Judith Provost - July 25, 2022 at 02:59 PM