



## Janet Marie Kachuriak

April 9, 1955 - November 14, 2020

On November 14, 2020, Janet Marie Kachuriak went home to be with our Lord peacefully at her home in Prosper, TX at the age of 65, surrounded by her family after a 17-month battle with pancreatic cancer. She was born April 9, 1955 in Cleveland, OH to Bill and Arlene Gaab. She was the beloved wife of Ron, loving mother of Timothy (Rebecca) and Christopher (Michelle), cherished grandmother of 6 grandchildren and 5 great-grandchildren, beautiful sister to 4 siblings, and fun-loving aunt to numerous nieces and nephews.

Jan was the most incredible wife, mother, grandmother, sister, and friend anyone ever had. She poured her life into the people she loved and gave of herself even in her final days. She was best friend to many, and the Nana kids dream to have. Married to her best friend, Ron, for 44 years, she always made her husband her top priority—forsaking all others to fulfill her role as his partner in life. Her devotion to her husband and her marriage spurred in her a passion to minister to young married couples and young women about God's gift of marriage. Jan was a prayer warrior and a student of God's word. She was an example of a godly mother to her own children, teaching them each day what it looked like to follow Christ and loving them fiercely. Her grandchildren truly were her crowning glory, and she cherished every day she spent with them, making memories constantly, cooking for them whenever she could, always making sure they knew how deeply loved they are by her and by the Lord. Her entire life was devoted to showing the love of Jesus to

everyone she came in contact with. She served in so many different ministries over the years, always unselfishly and with passion. When her children were young, she helped start the Pregnancy Resource Center of the South Hills and led Bible studies out of her home for young girls. Later on, she served in the Apples of Gold ministry, women's Bible studies, and the marriage ministry at The Bible Chapel. When she was diagnosed with cancer, she jumped in with two feet to her new mission, sharing God's love with people at the cancer center. She said she knew that it was God's new job for her because in order to be with them, she needed to have cancer. She accepted this mission with grace and felt privileged to be entrusted with it. She truly "walked the walk". Jan will be missed by so many of us on this side of heaven, but we rejoice with her, knowing that she is now hearing the words, "Well done, good and faithful servant."

There will be a burial service on Thursday, November 19, 2020 at 11:00 AM at Ridgeview West Memorial Park, 7800 Sanctuary Dr., Frisco, TX 75033. A Celebration of Life will be held on Monday, November 23 at 6:00 PM at The Bible Chapel, 300 Gallery Dr., McMurray, PA 15317. Friends are welcome at both services. The service in Pittsburgh will also be live-streamed if you are unable to attend in-person. The livestream will be available at [www.JanKachur iak.com](http://www.JanKachur iak.com).

In lieu of flowers, the family suggests a contribution in Jan's memory to the Pancreatic Cancer Action Network (PANCAN) to help in the fight against pancreatic cancer. Please visit [www.pancan.org](http://www.pancan.org) to do so. Online condolences may be shared at [www.slaymemorialfuneralhome.com](http://www.slaymemorialfuneralhome.com).

Arrangements are under the direction of Devon Calverley and Slay Memorial Funeral Center.

# Cemetery Details

## Ridgeview West Memorial Park

12130 Peaceful Lane  
Frisco, TX 75034  
<https://www.turrentinejacksonmorrow.com/cemetery-memorial-parks/ridgeview-west-memorial-park>

# Previous Events

## Burial

NOV **19**. 11:00 AM (CT)

Ridgeview West Memorial Park  
12130 Peaceful Lane  
Frisco, TX 75034  
<https://www.turrentinejacksonmorrow.com/cemetery-memorial-parks/ridgeview-west-memorial-park>

## Celebration of Life

NOV **23**. 6:00 PM (ET)

The Bible Chapel  
300 Gallery Drive  
McMurray, PA 15317  
<https://www.biblechapel.org/>

# Tribute Wall

JB

“ Dear Ron, Tim and Chris...to all your family members. I just received news of Jan's passing in a Christmas card from Kathy Gaab. It was through Kathy and Dave that I first met Jan. when I heard the news I couldn't believe it. I am so sorry, Jan was just such a wonderful person. I hadn't seen her in years and years but I can still hear her voice and see that amazing smile. My father died of pancreatic cancer 26 years ago. I will be donating in Jan's memory. I will remember her as that girl with the great love that shone through her. With much sympathy.  
Jill and Mark Baer

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**Jill Baer** - December 21, 2020 at 04:35 PM



“ Hello Ron,  
From the first time Joe and I met Jan we had a connection. With our deepest sympathy to you and the family. She was such a great person. So positive and uplifting to me and to Joe. I miss her messages and our chats. My heart is hurting for you especially during the holidays. Joe and I are thinking about you and you are in our prayers. I lost a good friend even though we have only known her for a year. She has helped me so much. Now I don't have anyone to talk to about Joe. Please let us know if we can do anything for you. I would like to talk to you and let you know what is going on with Joe. We have had a set back. Hope you have a blessed Christmas with family and y'all remember what a wonderful lady Jan was to all. Your in our prayers.  
Blessings,  
Elaine and Joe Alexander  
Please message me or call me sometime.

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**Elaine Alexander** - December 15, 2020 at 02:19 PM

BW

“ *Ron and Sons, Gaab Family,*

*Terribly sorry to read this news today. Although our paths went in different directions, Jan will always be remembered for her kindness and commitment to her faith. Sympathy and prayers for you all.*

*Bill Wilson*

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**Bill Wilson** - November 19, 2020 at 06:31 PM

JW

“ *Dear Kachuriak family,*

*We were saddened to learn of your loss. We know words are not much comfort now.*

*We were fortunate to have met Jan and admired her warmth and friendliness. You have wonderful memories of her...cherish them. In time, with God's help, you will smile again.*

*She left you a great legacy. We are keeping you in our thoughts and prayers.*

*Judy and John Woffington.*

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**Judy and John Woffington** - November 19, 2020 at 09:51 AM

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“ ; *Lorraine Sullivan lit a candle in memory of Janet Marie Kachuriak*



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**; lorraine sullivan** - November 18, 2020 at 08:48 PM

AA

“ *My deepest sympathies to the entire family. I work at Country Meadows, where Arlene was a resident. I connected with Jan immediately; was drawn in by her positive, bright light, and her open, welcoming nature. We built a wonderful, trusting relationship.*

*Audra Allen*

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**Audra Allen** - November 17, 2020 at 10:35 AM