



Joann Engram

February 1, 1947 - September 15, 2012

Joann enjoyed making people happy, by either saying a kind word to them or making them laugh, or knowing of something special they liked and surprising them with a little gift of it . She loved to laugh and tell you something funny that would make you laugh, she was full of fun and never met a stranger, and she treated everyone she met with kindness. She was a delight; well--read, well informed and well spoken person, Joann will be greatly missed by many.....

Previous Events

Visitation

SEP **22**. 10:00 AM - 10:30 AM (ET)

Mt. Gillion Baptist Church
7025 Cedar Road
Cleveland, OH 44106
(216) 431-1870

Funeral Service

SEP **22**. 10:30 AM - 11:30 AM (ET)

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Interment

SEP **22**. 12:15 PM - 12:30 PM (ET)

Lakeview Cemetery
12316 Euclid Avenue
Cleveland, OH 44106

Tribute Wall

QN

“ Hey Jo. Just droppin' ya' a message. I miss you. I hope you are having a good time being with Grandpa and Ma.

Quinton Z Jones - Cleveland, OH - Great Nephew - February 22, 2013 at 12:00 AM

DN

“ Joann Engram

DARRIA N FOREMAN - CLEVELAND, OH - NIECE - September 21, 2012 at 12:00 AM

BF

“ I work as security officer at Lakeview cemetery and not long after I had been employed there Joann asked me what size shoes I wore . She had correctly guessed I wore the same size she did . she asked me if I wore high heels . I told her I did . the next time she saw me she handed me a big plastic bag os beautiful shoes. I will miss her sitting at her desk and smilingt as she greeted whoever came through the door; what a great lost.

Brenda I. Elkins-wylie

Brenda Lee Elkins- wylie - Garfield, OH - Friend - September 21, 2012 at 12:00 AM

BF

“ will miss you much glad I had a chance to see you one more time

Brenda Lee Elkins- wylie - Garfield, OH - friend - September 21, 2012 at 12:00 AM

DC

“Joan was such a ray of sunshine and was meant to be a receptionist. Her smile alone just welcomed everyone. She was the receptionist at U S Steel, Cuyahoga Works (later became American Steel & Wire) and she never met a stranger. You could be down in the dumps and as soon as she saw you, she knew and would pull you out of that frame of mind and by the time you left her smiling face, you were also smiling. I never met anyone in my life that could touch so many people with her joy. She was an excellent employee and everyone loved her.

I had not seen her for years but I am sure she gave sunshine to everyone at her latest employment as well as she did with us at U S Steel. Rest in peace Joan and may God bless and keep your family in this sad time.

Deloris Brain, Mansfield Ohio

Deloris Brain - Mansfield, OH - Ex Co-worker - September 21, 2012 at 12:00 AM

JC

“Always a pleasure to be around aether she was assisting you to locate a burial location or just kidding around..Keillor never forget the first time she cussed ne out in Italian I think I laughed for hours. We will miss you Miss Joanne. Jimmy Longo

James Longo - Cleveland, OH - Friend and coworker - September 20, 2012 at 12:00 AM

WC

“Joanne was the receptionist for American Steel and Wire. She was a sincere and motivated staff and made everyone feel welcome. Her customers were first priority and she always made sure your needs were address with a smile. She has left a legacy. May your family find peace.

Wavery Brown - Woodbridge, VA - Co-worker - September 20, 2012 at 12:00 AM

JS

“ Dear-HEART you were truly a sister who brought a Beautiful SMILE with you,, and for that alone I'm very greatful to have been blessed with your spirit >>>`~`<<<

JERRY L. NELSON - Oakwood village, OH - sister-n-law - September 20, 2012 at 12:00 AM

JC

“ I don't know how I'm going to dress myself for work everyday w/out Joann being there for inspiration. Even this morning I asked myself, "what would JoJo do with this scarf?"

No one will call me "Beekie" again. No one will talk and laugh w/me about Madea, and Tyler Perry's other movies. No one will laugh and tell me that deep down I must be black 'cuz I'll pass up a ride in a golf cart so my hair won't get messed up, I know the right people to gossip with, I love to wear "big-assed" earrings (of which she bought me 3 pairs), and I carry more junk in my trunk than any other white girl ever could.

The last time I was with JoJo she hugged me as if to say "we're cool" because of the tense week we'd had with eachother. Then she gave me 3 little Almond Joy bars, as she was so apt to do.

Jennifer Cali - Cleveland, OH - Friend & Co-Worker - September 19, 2012 at 12:00 AM

NF

“ I came to know Joann through Dave's job at The Lake View Cemetery. She was such a warm, vibrant personality. It was very easy to be drawn into her personality. I remember the first time I saw met her; just looking at her face and smile you got a chance to see her soul. What an awesome experience. She was a beautiful gift to the lives she touched in her own manner. My prayers and support are with her family, friends and co workers as they celebrate her new life. May we all continue her gifts of warmth, friendship and support given to us with others.

Nessa Gressley - Cleveland, OH - friend - September 19, 2012 at 12:00 AM

DG

“ Not hearing Jo Jo answering the phone is going to take time to rationalize. She was not only the voice of Lake View Cemetery but also its heart and soul which one soon realized after speaking or visiting with her.

Your empathy for bereaved families, your sense of humor, your nicknames for various staff members and all the other incidental traits that came from your joyous and sometimes mischievous smile is dearly missed. I hope to hear your voice calling, "Hey Greszybe!" when I get to the other side.

Dave Gressley - September 19, 2012 at 12:00 AM

LW

“ To the family of Joann I need not tell you all how much she will be missed, she was always a very joyous voice and a perfect smile would be waiting for you when you walked through the door. Almost everyone has a not so good day, but if you were ever in the presence of Joann you would not think she had one. She will be missed, God Bless Her entire family, for truly the family circle is broken.. However God's garden has another FLOWER. Linda D. White Cummings & Davis FH

Linda D. White - September 19, 2012 at 12:00 AM

TF

“ I was blessed to have meet Joann thru her coworker and friend Jeff. I never meet a more beautiful individual with such warmth and beauty. Joanne's soul goes on and we are so fortunate and so lucky to have had her in our lives. God Bless her and her family.

Ted Jakab - Mayfield Hts, OH - Friend - September 19, 2012 at 12:00 AM

KC

“ When I first became an employee of The Lake View Cemetery, Joann welcomed me as if I were her sister. She quickly became my dear friend who could make me laugh when I was sad and calm me down when I was upset. Her smile could light the runway at any airport. And cook, my goodness the lady could cook. She made me a lunch of collard greens with cornbread and I made myself sick, I think I ate every last green. And her sweet potato pie was unmatched. I will miss her more than words could ever describe. I know she up in heaven with her Mom and Dad. I love you JoJo!!!

Karen L. Drake - Cleveland, OH - Co-worker - September 18, 2012 at 12:00 AM

JC

“ Joann had a smile that lit up the world! She never had an unkind word and you could always count on her to cheer you up with a hug when you were sad. She was truly a classy lady and will be greatly missed.

My condolences to her brothers and the rest of her family. My prayers are with you.

Julie Semega - Cleveland, OH - Co-worker - September 18, 2012 at 12:00 AM

KC

“ JoJo brightened our lobby each and every day with her warm and welcoming greeting. Deckerd out with the latest fashions, she was the face of The Lake View Cemetery for many years. Her kindness was healing to those who hurt and her graciousness comforted each visitor. We mourn her loss.

Kathy Goss - Cleveland, OH - Co-worker - September 18, 2012 at 12:00 AM