



## Jo Ann Keef

June 4, 1948 - August 28, 2023

Jo Ann Keef, age 75 of Fort Payne, passed away Monday morning at her residence. Ms. Keef was born on June 4, 1948 in Cherokee County to the late James & Sue Jones Embry. She worked many years at the Dekalb County Health Department. She loved the special people she was able to meet and serve.

The family will have a private memorial service. Memorial contributions may be made to the Child's Advocacy Center of Fort Payne.

She is survived by her sons, Anthony & Teresa Keef and Wayne Keef; grandchildren, Emily Keef and Carrie Keef; great-grandchildren, Allyson & Zayden; and several cousins.

# Tribute Wall

LJ

“ Went to school with her. Such a sweet lady. She was beautiful then and I am sure she still is.

Linda Mason Jackson - August 30, 2023 at 03:42 PM

JH

“ Joan Hitchcock lit a candle in memory of Jo Ann Keef



Joan Hitchcock - August 29, 2023 at 06:01 PM

SA

“ I knew Jo Ann through the monthly meetings of the Lookout Mt. Homemakers Club. She was a wonderful person with a beautiful smile. We will miss her so much! My condolences to her family.

Sheila Akins - August 29, 2023 at 12:10 PM

LB

“ Jo Ann was a special lady with a. Servants heart. She loves our community and served it well for many years as a volunteer since retirement. I would see her quietly serving or attending so many functions. She will be missed and I will especially miss her sweet servants heart. □



Lynn Brewer - August 28, 2023 at 10:44 PM

AG

“ Ms. JoAnn was a dear friend of my mother's. I had known her for over 30 years. She became my dear friend as well. I never ever encountered sweet Jo Ann without her smiling and giving me a word of encouragement. Never did she leave my presence without telling me how much she loved me. I love her and will miss her terribly.

Angela Gilbert - August 28, 2023 at 09:52 PM

JH

“ Dear sweet Jo Ann such a kind soul and a friend to all..we sure will miss her! Rest in peace. Donny/Janette Hilyer

Janette Hilyer - August 28, 2023 at 08:54 PM



“ I'm so saddened and sorry to hear this news. Jo Ann was such a sweet and kind lady. She was a good neighbor and will be missed.

Leah Brooks - August 28, 2023 at 07:11 PM

CB

“ Carol Burt Brown lit a candle in memory of Jo Ann Keef



carol Burt Brown - August 28, 2023 at 06:15 PM

CW

I work jo Ann Health Department we so happy able to retire, no mistake she work 25 years, we on Board of D.H.R., many other Boards she own in Community. Oh she will be missed 😭. Clara Washington

Clara Washington - August 28, 2023 at 07:45 PM

PS

“ I knew Jo Ann, such a sweet compassionate person, she was always at our monthly prayer Breakfast, first at Kings Restaurant in Rainsville and then at The Mountain Grille after kings closed.

The last time I saw her was at Sweet Home Cafe when she recognized me and made sure to come speak.

So sorry to hear of her passing, but Heavens sounding sweeter all the time.

Peggy Scott



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peggy Scott - August 28, 2023 at 06:03 PM

CT

Prayers for this wonderful women and her family.

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Carol Tipton - August 28, 2023 at 06:20 PM



We have been neighbors and friends since we moved here from Florida 40 years ago. She was one of the sweetest and loving people I have known. I will miss her smile and sharing the Word of God with her. Prayers for the family and all her friends.

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Bobbie McLaren - August 29, 2023 at 02:07 PM

JS

JoAnne was a friend who is very sorely missed! Life will never be the same here. She has been a precious friend and advocate for so many of us who knew her. Looking out for the welfare of others less fortunate or in difficult situation to lend "quiet" help. Never tooted her own horn. Always a positive word, always encouraging. Loved to talk about Jesus. If only I could talk to her, be in her presence one more time.

God be with you and give you peace, Tony and Teresa, Wayne, Emily, Carrie, Allyson and Zayden.

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Jenny Stephens - August 29, 2023 at 03:08 PM

JH

*We will sure miss JoAnne she was such a good friend and always there when our classmates got together. She was so talented and always keep us informed if anything was going on with others in our class. We will surely miss her.*

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**Joan Hitchcock** - August 29, 2023 at 06:00 PM

GH

*JoAnne was a dear sweet soul, so kind, caring and compassionate to all she met.*

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**Gwen Hill** - August 29, 2023 at 08:53 PM

TB

*JoAnne had been a friend to me since I was a kid, over 40 years and also to my sister. She was a genuine loving caring sweet soul and would do anything for anyone if she could. I will miss her sweet smile and encouraging words she had every time we met, she always let my family know she loved us as well as we loved her. Tony, Wayne and the rest of the family, she was a true gem as I know you all knew. Praying for you all today and in the days to come.*

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**Tammy Blevins** - August 30, 2023 at 11:00 AM