



Joan A. Ritchie

December 28, 1936 - December 28, 2014

Joan A. Ritchie, 78, Lebanon, formerly of Fredericksburg, passed away Sunday, December 28, 2014 at Stone Ridge Town Center, Myerstown. She was the wife of the late Hugh H. Ritchie who passed away July 21, 2013, and to whom she was married for 56 years. She was born in Lebanon on July 27, 1936, daughter of the late Monroe, Sr. and Mae Ida Shannaman Bender. She was retired after 30 years from Farmer's Pride quality control department. She was a graduate of Bethel High School and a member of the YMCA. She enjoyed crocheting, cooking, car rides and travel.

Joan is survived by daughter, Lisa Y., wife of Thomas Urban, Newmanstown, sons, Charlton "Buzz", husband of Ann Ritchie, Great Falls MT, Scott M. Ritchie, Lebanon, Justin H. Ritchie and companion Jeana Houser, Pine Grove, 12 grandchildren, numerous great grandchildren, brothers, Monroe, Jr, husband of Barbara Bender, UT, John, husband of Laura Bender, NC, sisters, Shirley Sweger, Middletown, Nancy, wife of Galan Frantz, Fredericksburg, Betty Smith, TX, Helen, wife of Carl Stoltz, Richland and Susan Shepler, Schaefferstown. She was preceded in death by brother, George Bender and sister, Gladys Bender.

Family and friends are respectfully invited to attend Joan's funeral service on Saturday, January 3, 2015 at 10:00 AM from Porterfield-Scheid Funeral Directors & Cremation Services, Ltd., 890 Isabel Drive, Lebanon, (next to Quentin Circle) with Pastor Joseph Catani officiating. Casket burial will be made in Indiantown Gap National Cemetery, Monday, January 5, 2015 at 9:30

AM. A viewing will be held Saturday from 9:00 AM to 10:00 AM at the funeral home. In lieu of flowers memorial remembrances in Joan's memory may be made to Hospice of GSH, 4th & Walnut St, Lebanon, PA 17042.

Tribute Wall



“ *Joan A. Ritchie*

October 22, 2023 at 10:35 PM



“ *Joan A. Ritchie*

October 06, 2023 at 08:29 AM



“ *Joan A. Ritchie*

October 05, 2023 at 11:43 PM



“ *Justin, I am deeply sorry for the loss of your beloved mother.
Respectfully, Athina*

Athina Morneau - PA - January 05, 2015 at 12:00 AM



“ *To my cousins (Buzz, Scotty, Lisa and Justin) I am so sorry for your loss of your dear mom. She was the last of my 16 aunts and uncles. I know that our Lord has wrapped his loving arms around her and we will see her again one day. I think of pretty Aunt Joan as young and taking care of 4 small children and it brings a smile to my face of those memories. With deepest sympathy,*

Melanie and Stephen Heitz - Fort Myers, FL - January 04, 2015 at 12:00 AM

JP

“ joan.....u were an amazing woman....it was a joy to know you and work with you....you are a one of a kind friend ans ur smile lit up any room...gonna miss you and ur little visits to shop...rest easy and know u r never forgotten...????????

jess d - lebanon, PA - January 03, 2015 at 12:00 AM

CP

“ I love you Nana. I am honored to have been apart of your life and blessed with the love you shared with us. I am truly grateful for every piece of advice and honest word you gave me. You are awesome Nana. And I just really love you too pretty lady!

Courtney & Kierstin Swartz - Lebanon, PA - January 02, 2015 at 12:00 AM

BM

“ I love you, Mom. Tell Dad don't slam the door.

Buzz Ritchie - Great Falls, MT - January 02, 2015 at 12:00 AM

KC

“ I love you Nana. Words cannot describe how much you are loved and missed. I am honored to have been apart of your life and blessed with the love you shared. I love you Nana. I am going to miss you.

Kierstin & Courtney - January 01, 2015 at 12:00 AM

MB

“ One of my biggest memories was going back to Pennsylvania as a kid and before we left we would get frozen chicken from Aunt Joan.

Our sympathies are with you for your loss.

Mark and Deb Bender

Michael and Denae Bender

Sons of George Bender.

Mark Bender - Mount Prospect, IL - nephew - Son of George Bender - December 31, 2014 at 12:00 AM

BP

“ Love you nana heaven truly got an angel we miss you but i know you are with papa and if you could give papa a hug from us love you nana

bradley swartz - Lebanon, PA - December 31, 2014 at 12:00 AM

PL

“ Of all the gifts we are given in life, family is the first and greatest. Thank you, aunt Joan, for enriching our lives with your joy and courage. Peace be with you.

Pam & Gary Emery - Lebanon - December 31, 2014 at 12:00 AM

TP

“ We are sending out prayers and condolences to the family. May the peace of God be present with you all during this period of bereavement,

Tony & Jodie Fields - Fredericksburg, PA - December 31, 2014 at 12:00 AM