



## Janet K. Dondero

December 29, 1953 - January 2, 2020

Janet K. Dondero, age 66 of Highland, IL, died Thursday, January 02, 2020, at her residence in Highland, IL.

She was born on December 29, 1953, in Highland, IL, the daughter of Arnold and Drucilla (nee Pyle) Wilson.

On March 11, 2006, she married Dan P. Dondero at Highland, IL. He survives a resident of Highland, IL.

She was a member of First Baptist Church.

Janet graduated from Highland High School in 1972. After graduating, she worked at several local businesses, including Basler Electric and Wicks Organ Company. She spent the majority of her career at the May Co. in St. Louis and United Stationers in Greenville. She enjoyed reading, racing, dancing, attending concerts, and all music. Her greatest joy was spending time with family, especially her grandchildren.

Survivors include :

Husband - Dan P. Dondero, Highland, IL

Daughter - Nicole R. (Jamie) Johnson, Carlyle, IL

Daughter - Andrea R. (Bill) Walker, Greenville, IL

Step Child - Angela (Rob Storey) Dondero, Granite City, IL

Step Child - Steven Dondero, Highland, IL

Step Child - Rachel (Quinn) Frey, Honolulu, HI

Grandchild - Morgan Johnson, Carlyle, IL

Grandchild - Blake Johnson, Carlyle, IL

Grandchild - Andrew Walker, Greenville, IL

Grandchild - Addison Walker, Greenville, IL

Brother - Steven A. (Laurel) Wilson, Evansville, IN

Sister - Jean M. (George) Sconyers, Chesterfield, MO

Nieces and Nephews - Many .

She was preceded in death by :

Father - Arnold T. Wilson - Died 10/17/1995

Mother - Drucilla D. Wilson, nee Pyle - Died 2/03/1997

First Husband - Roger N. Meyer - Died 2/25/2016

Grandchild - Allison Nicole Johnson - Died 2/05/2004

Arrangements are being handled by Spengel-Boulanger Funeral Home in Highland, IL.

Visitation will be held from 9:00 AM to 11:00 AM on Saturday, January 11, 2020, at Spengel-Boulanger Funeral Home in Highland, IL.

Memorial funeral services will be at 11:00 AM on Saturday, January 11, 2020, at Spengel-Boulanger Funeral Home in Highland, IL, with Rev. Rob Kirbach officiating.

Interment will be at Highland City Cemetery in Highland, IL.

Memorial contributions may be made to Janet's Grandchildren's Education Fund .

# Comments

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“ Janet, we all will miss your sweet smile, remember all the good times we had, love your friend Nancee Knebel :)

nancee knebel - January 12 at 08:21 AM

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“ Nancee Knebel lit a candle in memory of Janet K. Dondero



nancee knebel - January 12 at 08:19 AM

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Jean Sconyers - January 04 at 11:04 PM

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Jean Sconyers - January 04 at 10:59 PM

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“ My deepest sympathies go out to all of you. Quinn Frey is my nephew and I had the pleasure of spending time with Janet a few times over the years. I pray our Savior Jesus Christ wraps his loving arms around all of you for strength and comfort.

Beverly (Frey-Omans) Bryant - January 04 at 11:36 AM

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Jean Sconyers - January 04 at 09:53 AM

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“ Matt&Peggy Karlovsky lit a candle in memory of Janet K. Dondero



Matt&Peggy Karlovsky - January 03 at 08:08 PM

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“ Debbie Babb lit a candle in memory of Janet K. Dondero



Debbie Babb - January 03 at 07:19 PM

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“ She was always a great friend since grade school. I remember talking on the phone for an hour and the older lady always yelling at us to get off (back then we had party lines). Spending nights at each others houses and talking into the wee hours. She knew also how to keep secrets. She will greatly missed! But there are some really great memories. Love you girlfriend till one day we meet again.

de - January 03 at 05:52 PM



“ I have so many great memories of Janet. When my family moved to Highland, in 1966, I was 7 years old. So she must have been 13 or so. She could have just ignored this little nerd that had moved in next door, but we were both music lovers and had that in common. I remember her telling me, shortly after we moved in next door, that there was a new tv show coming out that fall called The Monkees and was about a band. Not only did I check it out, but I am still a Monkees fan to this day. I also remember she would sun bath in the summer and always had her portable radio out there with her tuned to KXOK. And she never minded me hanging around to listen to the music with her. Or sometimes I would come over and she would be sitting in front of the TV watching "Where The Action Is", or "American Bandstand" or "Dark Shadows"...and she never minded having me sit and watch with her. I also remember that she was one of my first babysitters in Highland. One time, the house started shaking and I remember her yelling that the furnace was going to explode and that we all had to get outside! Of course, once we got out there, and things were still shaking, we knew it was an earthquake! We had a good laugh about the furnace exploding once the shaking stopped and we all calmed down! After those first few years, of living in Highland, she must have reached the age of dating and High School because, except for babysitting us kids, I don't remember her being around as often. But one summer afternoon in 1970, I was listening to one of my Monkees albums in my bedroom and I had the window open. She must have heard the music and hollered for me to come to the window. I remember her asking me why I was still listening to The Monkees when there was a new band called The Guess Who that was way better? LOL! Well, I wasn't quite ready for that sort of music just yet...but I sure did enjoy them a couple years later! And I always thought it was nice of her to talk to me like I was her equal instead of the little kid that I actually was. Janet was something special. And I will always have these wonderful memories of her!



Mark Jones - January 03 at 05:48 PM



“ De lit a candle in memory of Janet K. Dondero



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