



Janice Maria Armstrong

July 18, 1945 - April 3, 2019

Passed at the Dr. Bob Kemp Hospice April 3rd in her 74th year after a long journey with cancer. She was the daughter of the late Edward and Winnifred Smeader of Sault Ste. Marie. Sister of Susan Smeader Korneluk of Victoria, BC and the late Doris McDaniel of Sarasota, FL. Loving wife of John for 52 years. Loving and caring mother of Michael Armstrong (Julie) and Allison Grant (Richard). Proud and devoted grandmother of Brendan and Maddie Armstrong and Alex and Katie Grant. She will be missed by her many relatives and friends across Canada and the United States. Janice was a deeply caring person who touched many lives during her career as a hospital nurse, visiting nurse, and in employee health. She retired in 2005 as a case manager in community health care. Janice was an avid gardener and an enthusiastic birder. She was a long time member of the Royal Botanical Gardens and the Hamilton Naturalists' Club. Her love of travel and nature took her to much of Europe, North America, and Central America. Janice was truly a "people person" who delighted in making new friends and entertaining the old. The family wishes to thank everyone at the Bob Kemp Hospice and all the staff and volunteers at the Juravinski Cancer Centre, especially Dr. Peter Ellis and his clinic. Thanks to Dr. Steven Hadcock, our long time family physician and friend. Thanks also to the visiting nurses from SE Health, especially Lauren and Tanya. Thanks to the PSWs from Care Partners, especially to Pami, Gloria and Jenny. Finally, thanks to all the friends and family who shared this journey with their love and support. Donations to the Bob Kemp Hospice, Cancer Assistance Program, or a charity of your choice would be appreciated.

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Comments



“ John,
I am so glad to have have been able to visit with Janice and yourself last summer in mimico, Toronto.
Will always Remember too that Janice was the first person to hold me as a new born baby - Janice really made a lasting impression on anyone who ever knew her.
It was Janice that encouraged my mother to get dressed everyday at the hospital and since that day she encouraged her, mom has gotten dressed, which as Janice said has brightened my mother's days.
Janice and my Dad passed within 3 weeks of each other and gone with them are two incredibly strong people.
My thoughts and prayers for you.

Pete Smeader - June 28 at 10:22 PM



“ To John and all the family,
I was saddened to hear of Janice's passing. I will remember her for her wonderful, outgoing and warm personality. My condolences to all of the family.
Elaine Potvin
Ottawa, Ontario

Elaine Potvin - May 08 at 10:39 AM



“ How wonderful to see that old picture of Janice in her nursing cap! It takes me back to our first meeting at the Ottawa Civic Hospital those many years ago, Janice in labour as was my wife in the adjacent bed. Good friends ever since.

She will be missed by all who admired her -- and that will be all who knew her.

Bob Beazley

Victoria, B.C.

Bob Beazley - April 11 at 12:52 PM



“ John & family,
So very sorry to hear this sad news. I had such a wonderful visit with Janice last summer at our home on St. Joseph Island. I know my mother will miss her phone calls with Janice...it was so important for her to keep that Smeader family connection!

Thinking of your family during this difficult time.

Sarah Devon (daughter of Michelle Smeader, Sault Ste. Marie, ON)

Sarah Devon - April 08 at 04:50 PM



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John and family

Our sincere condolences to all of you. Janice will be missed by many. Our thoughts and prayers are with you at this difficult time.

Chester and Marilyn Lazzarato

Marilyn and Chester Lazzarato - April 08 at 04:08 PM



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I am so sorry to hear about Janice's illness and death. I taught Janice in the School of Nursing at the General Hospital in Sault Ste Marie - many years ago. Over the years I have met Janice many times - at CCAC, the Dundas Pottery Shows etc. Janice was a very caring, considerate person and liked by all - her fellow students and faculty; her work colleagues and friends. Her passing is a great loss to her family and many friends.

Joan Royle

Joan Royle - April 07 at 12:26 PM



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John & Family, our World is a better place because of "Janice" a kind, thoughtful, Professional Nurse & Friend,. It was my privilege to Job/Share with Janice in the Community as a Visiting Nurse Remembered Always Rachel & Bob

rachel flewelling - April 07 at 10:06 AM



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John and Family,

I am very sad to hear about your loss. Please accept my deep condolences.

I have worked with Janice for several years at former CCAC, and have kept in touch with her through mutual friends and different social occasions.

I will always remember Janice as a sensitive, kind and caring person. Janice was a privilege to work with, and a delight to be with, in our social circles. She will be greatly missed.

Her earthly journey is now over. May pleasant memories that she leaves behind give you strength to carry on during this difficult time.

In deep sympathy.

Louise (Martinus)

Louise Martinus - April 06 at 10:00 PM



“ So sorry for your loss. Janice will truly be missed. Love to all the family. Bill and Myrna Vair

myrna Vair - April 06 at 04:09 PM



“ John and family.....So very sorry to hear of Janice's passing. She was a beautiful person both outside and out. She will be missed. My thoughts and prayers are with you.

Mary Ann Varah

Mary Ann Varah - April 06 at 11:03 AM



“ Our sincere condolences to you John, and your whole family from us both. Hans and Anna Vermaat

Vermaat - April 06 at 10:26 AM



“ My deepest condolences to John and family....Joe Inrig

Joe Inrig - April 06 at 10:00 AM



“ Janice, John and I got together at their apartment, my townhouse or Russell Williams. We had a great common bond - we liked GLAMPING! We camped at various places throughout N. America with the comforts of Hot water for showers, heat when we needed it, air conditioning when we needed it and electricity. I am so glad Janice and John got to visit so many wonderful places.

Earla Smith - April 05 at 05:49 PM



“ I first met Janice when I was thirteen and she eleven at Gawas Bay on St.Joseph Island.She and her parents were renting a cottage from my parents Bill and Milly Pollock. We became friends, and Janice spent a few summers helping with our cottages and having lots of fun. Janice was very intelligent and could have followed any career, she chose nursing which totally suited her giving and compassionate personality. She and her husband John with family often visited St.joseph Island camping which they loved. My last visit with she and John was just before Christmas. They entertained Margee and Glen Simpson and myself, preparing a delicious dinner for us. I will always remember the kindness she showed everyone around her. Her children and especially Grandchildren were everything to her. She will be missed but my memories of her will always be cherished.

Judy connell - April 06 at 09:14 AM



“ 2 files added to the album Memories Album



Rick and Judi - April 05 at 05:32 PM



“ Allison and family, Ken and I are so deeply sorry about your mom's cancer and now her passing. We enjoyed a friendship with her beginning with a 2009 Mexico and Belize RV experience. John and Janice came to visit us in Spokane, WA, and we saw them in Florida also. We valued her friendship. Our condolences are extended to you and yours. Jane and Ken Trease

Jane Mifflin Trease - April 05 at 12:23 PM