



## JoAnn Sullivan

January 21, 1932 - March 15, 2023

JoAnn (Jensen) Sullivan was born January 21, 1932 in Fremont, Nebraska and died March 15, 2023 in Fremont, Nebraska, with her family by her side, completing her cycle of life. JoAnn lead a long and fulfilling life.

She graduated from Valley High School in 1949. After graduation, she worked for a family physician until she was hired at Mutual of Omaha in 1950. She worked there until 1959, and the birth of her daughter.

JoAnn was a life-long member of United Faith Community Church in Valley, the same church she and John were married in on May 28, 1954.

She was active in American Legion Auxiliary Post 58 in Valley and the Valley Community Historical Society. JoAnn was also a “room mother” for both of her children and also served as PTA President.

JoAnn was a big Elvis Presley fan. She never missed an Elvis movie and attended several of his concerts. She had the opportunity to meet Bob Hope, Marilyn Maxwell, and General Jimmy Doolittle. Then there was the kiss on the cheek from singer, Paul Anka!

JoAnn voluntarily changed the marquee sign on the highway in Valley for 15 years-before it was electronic! There was a story about her on the news and in the newspaper when she changed the sign to “And Then The Waters Came” as the flood waters were approaching in 1978. JoAnn received the honor of being voted “Lady of the Year” in Valley. She was both surprised and proud.

In her and John’s 68 years of marriage, they traveled to all 50 states and

several foreign countries. After John's retirement, they bought a second home in Mesa, Arizona and became yearly snowbirds.

JoAnn was preceded in death by her grandparents William and Rita McCrary and parents Carl and Twyla Jensen. She is survived by her husband John L. of Valley, NE; daughter Nancy (Mark) Hardey of Loveland, CO; son John (Jackie) Sullivan; grandson Mitchell Sullivan; and cat Lily, all of Valley, and many nieces, nephews, and cousins.

# Cemetery Details

## Prospect Hill Cemetery of Elkhorn

21901 W. Maple Road  
Omaha, NE 68022

# Previous Events

## Visitation

**MAR 23.** 5:00 PM - 7:00 PM (CT)

Reichmuth Funeral Home - Omaha / Elkhorn  
21901 W. Maple Rd.  
P.O. Box 711  
Elkhorn, NE 68022  
402-289-2222  
[services@reichmuthfuneralhomes.com](mailto:services@reichmuthfuneralhomes.com)  
<https://www.reichmuthfuneralhomes.com/>

## Funeral Service

**MAR 24.** 11:00 AM (CT)

Reichmuth Funeral Home - Omaha / Elkhorn  
21901 W. Maple Rd.  
P.O. Box 711  
Elkhorn, NE 68022  
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*A lunch reception will be held following the committal ceremony*

# Tribute Wall



“ *Reichmuth Funeral Home created a Webcast in memory of JoAnn Sullivan*



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**Reichmuth Funeral Home** - March 21, 2023 at 10:33 AM



“ *Enduring Grace was purchased for the family of JoAnn Sullivan.*



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March 22, 2023 at 03:43 PM



“ *We rented the little house next door to John & JoAnn in 1973-1975 while we saved money to buy a house. JoAnn was such a lovely gracious lady & truly loved her children.*

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**Cheryl Foley** - March 22, 2023 at 01:03 PM



“ *Emerald Garden Basket was purchased for the family of JoAnn Sullivan.*



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March 22, 2023 at 12:47 PM



“ *Arrive in Style was purchased for the family of JoAnn Sullivan.*



March 21, 2023 at 04:50 PM



“ *Mark Thiessen, Ron Barta; Mike Jorgensen purchased the Sweet Tranquility Basket for the family of JoAnn Sullivan.*



**Mark Thiessen, Ron Barta; Mike Jorgensen** - March 21, 2023 at 02:51 PM



“ *I will always remember JoAnn with great fondness. She was so kind to my family when we first moved to Valley. Later she was a room mother for Johnnies third grade class. JoAnn was always willing to help whenever she could. She did it with her beautiful smile. Blessings JoAnn.*

**Gerri Nordell** - March 21, 2023 at 02:28 PM



“ *John, Judy and Deryl Johnson purchased the Country Basket Blooms for the family of JoAnn Sullivan.*



**John, Judy and Deryl Johnson** - March 21, 2023 at 12:14 PM



“ Gerberas and Palms Spray was purchased for the family of JoAnn Sullivan.



March 18, 2023 at 06:08 PM



“ Angie (Nye Legacy Social Services) lit a candle in memory of JoAnn Sullivan



Angie (Nye Legacy Social Services) - March 17, 2023 at 09:24 AM



May peace be with you. From Nye Legacy (Social Services)

Angie (Nye Legacy Social Services) - March 17, 2023 at 09:25 AM



John and family, so sorry for your loss, deepest sympathies, Virg & Judy Gottsch

Judy Jeanine Gottsch - March 24, 2023 at 12:16 PM