



JOAN GEURIN

May 30, 1952 - March 16, 2015

Joan Geurin, 62, passed away on March 16, 2015 at Baptist East Hospital. She was born on May 30, 1952, the youngest child of Gertie and William Geurin. She previously lived in Texas and California, returning to Louisville in 2014. Joan was pre-deceased by her husband, Rodney Carter, father, William Geurin, and her brother, Jeffrey.

Joan was a Sales Trainer for State Farm Insurance for over 20 years and was an avid collector of African sculptures. She was an avid reader with a special love for the writers and poets of the Harlem Renaissance. She also was a lover of jazz and Gospel music and was a member of the choir at Macedonia Ministries, in Lewisville, Texas.

She is survived by her mother, Gertie Geurin, her sisters: Janice Herndon, Janet Muller (Gunter), Lois Lacey (Bill), and brother, Maurice Geurin, Sr. (Claudia). Also surviving are her niece, Janice Geurin-Leslie, and nephews Christopher Robinson and Maurice Geurin, Jr. and five great nieces and 5 great nephews.

Joan's family would like to thank the staff at Sacred Heart Villages, Park 6 Unit and Park 4 (Hosparus Unit) at Baptist East Hospital and Drs. Chagua and Hayden for their loving care of Joan during her illness.

A memorial service will be held on Sunday, March 22, 2015 at 3 pm at A.D. Porter Funeral Home, 1300 W. Chestnut Street. In lieu of flowers, memorial

gifts may be made to the National Kidney Foundation, 8920 Stone Green Way, Louisville, Ky 40220 or to the Gladys Childress Murray Scholarship (for minorities) in care of the University of Louisville Foundation, Belknap Campus, Louisville, Ky 40292

Tribute Wall

JS

“*Joan was a wonderful co-worker and her many passions were inspiring to so many of us.. We share in your loss and rejoice in the time we were able to spend with her. With deepest sympathy....*

Janet Singler - March 24, 2015 at 12:00 AM

KS

“*My life was richer for having known Joan. Her friendship was special to me and to others who knew her. I'm happy she is at rest now and struggles no more. She lived a good life and was very special. My thoughts and prayers go to her mother, Mrs. Geurin and her family. Joan was loved and she knew she was loved. Peace.*
Kathy

Kathy Schroerlucke - March 23, 2015 at 12:00 AM

KS

“*Joan was my friend in high school at Shawnee. When reconnected some years ago, I was delighted to learn that she had pursued a career that she found fulfilling, a career in which she touched the lives of so many. Joan was special to those of us who knew her. She was loved and she loved. My heart goes out to her mother and her family. I know they are at peace knowing Joan struggles no more and is at rest.*

Kathy Schroerlucke - March 23, 2015 at 12:00 AM

SH

“ Remembering you in your sorrow and praying that God will make His loving presence very real.

*With Sympathy,
Sandra Holloway*

"God is our refuge and strength, always ready to help in times of trouble."

Psalm 46:1

Sandra Holloway - March 23, 2015 at 12:00 AM

RR

“ To the Geurin Family,
My heart is heavy with the loss of my dearest friend Joan as is yours. But my mind and heart are filled with Fantastic memories of our life together. Joan was my travel buddy, concert buddy, shopping buddy, confidant and all around grin and skin partner. Mrs. Gertie and Maurice, I remember the day of Joan's transplant, we celebrated that as a Great day of giving and extension of life. Maurice, what a wonderful gift of life you gave your sister that day - extending her life for over 20 years. May the Lord bless you forever for that show of love. No matter what, we know Joan led a full and contributing life. She is now with the Lord and let's all look forward to seeing her again. God Bless you all. Thanks Boo for all you do.

Renee Richardson - March 22, 2015 at 12:00 AM

LM

“ To The Geurin Family: You are in my thoughts and prayers as I say farewell to my old friend Joan, remembering our days at Shawnee High School. Until we meet again....Love to the family. Lucille Beatty Cunningham

Lucille Cunningham Mar - March 22, 2015 at 12:00 AM

DW

“ To the Geurin Family, May you find comfort in knowing that Joan was a cherished friend who shared her wit, wisdom, and inspiration with friends who will always be surrounded by her spirit. I am so grateful to have been in her circle of friends. Our geographical distances did not weaken our friendships, from our beginnings in California to our respective locations in Texas, DC/Maryland, New York, and Georgia. Joan will always be my sister in Christ and I pray that God will be with you as you reflect on her life as she begins her eternity with Him. Peace, Comfort, and Blessings always.

Dorothy Walker - March 22, 2015 at 12:00 AM

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Renee Richardson - March 22, 2015 at 12:00 AM

JH

“ I worked for and with Joan - her sense of humor, her laugh, her ability to tell stories, and connect with people...she was a unique and unforgettable soul. I'm grateful that our paths crossed.

Jan Hartman - March 21, 2015 at 12:00 AM

GH

“ Dearest Joan...so thankful to God that you were part of my California Connection. I will cherish the memories when we all were together for your birthday in Texas. I remember how excited you were when you got married and when you shared that you were moving back to Louisville. Yes, you said, "we are all back on the east coast...I am in KY, Dot in GA, Renee in NY and you in MD. Now we can meet somewhere in the middle" .I will miss our talks in the early morning hours. Now, rest my sister....you deserve it. Enjoy your eternal home. You are now one of my ancestral angels.To the Geurin family....thank you for sharing Joan with us. May God comfort each of you during this difficult time. Cherish the memories!

GwenDolyn Yarborough Hall - March 21, 2015 at 12:00 AM



“ Losing a loved one is never easy. Only time can ease all your pain and remember that Joan was loved, as this will help you to get through your daily life. Please find comfort in knowing that the God of tender mercies can give you the strength and courage to bear the sorrow you feel at this time. PSALM 119: 76&77Sincerely, Lee

March 21, 2015 at 12:00 AM

CL

“ Janice and family,
Janice, through the years of our friendship I remember hearing stories of your Aunt Joan and her love for African Art. You shared these memories with great fondness. I am sorry for you loss.

Know that I am praying for you. May your memories and God comfort, keep and sustain you.

Carrol L - March 21, 2015 at 12:00 AM

AF

“ A life that has made a difference in so many other lives will be well remembered. A soul that has lifted up other souls and encouraged the climb will be well honored. A person who turned the spirit of God's love into living action will be well revered. May you find comfort in knowing that your loved one lives on in so many beautiful ways. Mrs. Lee Anna, Larry, Linda and Leborah Goodwin

A friendMar - March 21, 2015 at 12:00 AM

RB

“ Prayer and Blessings to the Guerin Family. I worked with Joan at State Farm! She was an inspiration!

Roxanne Bradley - March 20, 2015 at 12:00 AM

JK

“ So Sorry to hear of Joan's passing. She had so many gifts and talents, and a great sense of humor. She was affectionately known as Auntie Joan to my children and had a profound impact on their lives as well as mine. May she rest in peace.

Joy Keys - March 20, 2015 at 12:00 AM

ST

“ To the Geurin family:May you know the love of Jesus through your sorrow. God has called His child home; no more pain, no more sorrow. Praise God, family, joy cometh in the morning!!!

Sharon Turley - March 20, 2015 at 12:00 AM

NK

“ I was blessed to have worked with Joan. She was a very talented and caring soul. My thoughts and prayers are with her family.

Nancy Karidis - March 20, 2015 at 12:00 AM

DP

“ Prayers of comfort and peace to Joan's family. May you be consoled by the prayers, words, and deeds of those whom she made an impact during her life. While at State Farm in Rohnert Park, Joan shared her wisdom, humor, and love of life to so many.

Daria Partlow - March 20, 2015 at 12:00 AM

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Joan will always be my sister in Christ and I pray that God will be with you as you reflect on her life as she begins her eternity with Him.

Peace and Blessings,

*Dorothy Walker
Atlanta, Georgia*

Dorothy Walker - March 20, 2015 at 12:00 AM

SG

“ Joan touched many of our lives and I am so grateful that I had the chance to know and have her a part of our Sonoma County family. Rest in peace my friend.

Shirley Gordon - March 20, 2015 at 12:00 AM

PH

“ With heartfelt sorrow upon hearing of the passing of Joan. She was a beautiful soul who was proud to share her love of her work at State Farm, as well as her heritage and strength. Rest in Heaven.

Patricia Harper - March 19, 2015 at 12:00 AM

TJ

“ Joan had a beautiful voice when she sang in the choir at Community Baptist Church in Santa Rosa. She will be truly missed and May she now Rest in Paradise.

Teri Johnson - March 19, 2015 at 12:00 AM

BM

“ I am so sorry for your loss. I worked with Joan at State Farm...she was a lovely lady and will be missed. My heart goes out to you.

Billie Meister - March 19, 2015 at 12:00 AM

CJ

“ My thoughts and prayers are with the family. I worked with Joan at State Farm in Rohnert Park. She was a warm and friendly woman.

Carol Jaskela - March 19, 2015 at 12:00 AM

JH

“ Joan was a kind soul who will be greatly missed. I'll be forever grateful for her immediately friending me when I made my first big move with State Farm to Rohnert Park. Heaven gained a very special angel. May God bring you peace and comfort.

Janice Hendricks - March 19, 2015 at 12:00 AM

NC

“ Deepest sympathies to the family. I knew Joan from our work at the Rohnert Park State Farm Regional Office. She was a kind, funny, smart and truly lovely woman. She will be missed.

Nancy Cooley - March 19, 2015 at 12:00 AM

GH

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*Love,
GwenDolyn Yarborough Hall*

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DE

“ Geurin Family, I'm very sorry for your loss. I knew and highly respected Joan when we worked together in the Rohnert Park CA State Farm office. She was truly beautiful person. Rest now Joan, a new journey awaits you.

Deborah Ellia - March 19, 2015 at 12:00 AM

TD

“ So very sorry to hear about your loss. Joan was a talented woman, great trainer, lovely singing voice and she will be missed.

Tamara Davis - March 19, 2015 at 12:00 AM

DR

“ May the love of friends and family carry you through your grief.

DC Rjdley - March 19, 2015 at 12:00 AM

SP

“ May God bless you and your family in this time of sorrow.

Shirley Paul - March 19, 2015 at 12:00 AM

AF

“ Sorry to hear of your loss Maurice, your friend Melissa(DuPont)

A friendMar - March 19, 2015 at 12:00 AM

BS

“ Maurice and Claudia,
Please know that our thoughts and prayers are with you during this time of bereavement.
Remember that the Lord will forever sustain you. Be blessed.
Love, Bud and Lula

Bud and Lula Samuels - March 18, 2015 at 12:00 AM