



## Jane E. Ryan

June 1, 1929 - May 21, 2020

Jane Elizabeth Ryan

Jane Ryan, 90, of Cedar Falls, Iowa passed away May 21, 2020. Jane grew up in Boone, Iowa as the second child of James and Lillian Doyle. She graduated from Sacred Heart Catholic High School and earned a bachelor's degree in Zoology from Iowa State University. Jane worked as a medical technologist at Mayo Clinic and University of Iowa Hospital. Jane married Thomas Ryan in 1957. They moved to Cedar Falls in 1960, where they raised their five children near Seerley Park. Jane worked at the UNI Student Health Center until she retired in 1993. She was active in the UNI Dames Club and belonged to several bridge groups. Jane loved spending time with her family and remained active throughout her life. She was known throughout Cedar Falls for her long and brisk daily walks. Jane was preceded in death by her parents, her husband Tom, and her brother, John. She is survived by her five children, Katy (Bill), Mike (Maria), Kevin (Gina), Pat (Kevin), and Maureen (Deron); grandchildren, Maggie, Michael, Emma, Joseph, Olivia, John, Thomas, Grace, Sarah, and Danny; two sisters, Mary Lou and Julie; and a brother-in-law, Fr. Philip Ryan. Services for Jane's family will be held at St. Patrick Catholic Church, with burial in Greenwood Cemetery. Memorial contributions may be made to Cedar Valley Hospice or NewAldaya Lifescapes. Condolences may be sent to Richardson Funeral Service.



# Cemetery Details

## **Greenwood Cemetery**

the end of College St, north of First Street  
Cedar Falls, IA 50613  
(319) 273-8628

# Tribute Wall

MG

“ Jane and I used to see each other, often, as we walked on W. Seerley Blvd. in the "hill" area-I with my dog-and Jane by herself. She told me she made her walks several times a day. More recently, as I did my volunteer work, I saw her after she moved to NewAldaya--still walking! I admired her spirit. Deepest sympathy to all. Marie Gregersen



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Marie Gregersen - May 31, 2020 at 11:18 AM

JD

“ Remembering your mom's sparkling eyes & bright smile. Also her energetic walks.  
My sympathy to all the family. May memories bring comfort to you all.

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joan duea - May 29, 2020 at 10:10 AM



“ Large Basket Garden was purchased for the family of Jane E. Ryan.



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May 26, 2020 at 11:39 AM

CM

“ Jane taught me what it meant to be a neighbor. I came to Iowa from places where interactions among neighbors was rare. Jane said hi to us soon after we moved in and would pause her walk to chat with me. This grew to looking out for each other’s homes and checking on us from time to time. Jane helped me understand how to be a good neighbor.

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**Catherine Miller** - May 25, 2020 at 12:59 PM

PB

“ So sorry about your sweet mom. She was part of the NU/Lab School parents and always willing to volunteer and help out. Hugs, Paula (Maricle) Blake.

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**Paula Blake** - May 24, 2020 at 07:21 PM

KM

“ I knew Jane through my mother, Ruth. We would often go to Culver’s for dinner where we would spend hours where she would regale us with stories of days gone by. As I work at the admissions desk at Sartorial Hospital, I would see her when she would come in for her labs and such. One time we were chatting and making plans for our next dinner plans when this guy walks into the hospital, looks at her and says, “Hey, you’re the lady who walks all over town!” We both got a chuckle out of that. Jane was a warm person with a great sense of humor and I’ll really miss her! Ken Millar

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**Ken Millar** - May 22, 2020 at 11:39 PM