



Jo Anne Neal

May 9, 1940 - September 29, 2021

CEDAR FALLS – Jo Anne Neal, 81, of Cedar Falls died on Wednesday, Sept 29, 2021, at her home while under hospice care. Jo Anne was born in Lime Springs, IA, on May 9, 1940, to Tudor and Eunice (Trygstad) Price. Jo Anne graduated from Waterloo East High in 1958. In 1960, Jo Anne was married to Thomas Wade who preceded her in death December 18, 1978. She married Paul Neal on September 29, 1990, in Greenview, IL.

She worked at AEA7 for over 20 years, retiring in 2002. She was a talented knitter and quilter and her pleasures included shopping, baseball (Cubs), college basketball (Iowa), music, her flower garden, and her family. She and her husband Paul enjoyed country line dancing together and friends described them as “smooth”. Her favorite job was as a kindergarten assistant/teacher for 4 and 5-year-olds in Stone Mountain, GA, however she said her greatest position in life was being a child of God, a wife to her loving husband and being a mom to Bill, David, Cari and Cathy.

Survivors include her husband, Paul Neal; her sons, Bill Wade of Cedar Falls, IA, David Wade of Waterloo; daughters Carolyn (Brad) Bock of Waterloo and Catherine (Korey) Miller of Cedar Rapids; stepchildren, Rachel Nielsen of Olathe, KS and Kory Neal, Houston, TX; brother Bob Roisum of Cedar Rapids, IA; sister Barb Roisum of Fruita, CO and stepbrother John Roisum of Kennesaw, GA. She also leaves eight grandchildren and four great grandchildren. Preceded in death by her husband Tom Wade, her parents and stepfather Art Roisum.

Services are scheduled for 2:30 pm, Monday, October 4, 2021, at Prairie Lakes Church Chapel. Visitation is one hour prior to service. Memorials to the American Cancer Society or Cedar Valley Hospice. Online condolences can be left at www.richardsonfuneralservice.com.

Previous Events

Visitation

OCT 4. 1:30 PM - 2:30 PM (CT)

Prairie Lakes Church
1907 Viking Road
Cedar Falls, IA 50613
(319) 266-2655
<http://www.prairielakeschurch.org>

Memorial Service

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Tribute Wall

LD

“ I was so blessed to become good friends with Jo Anne over the last few years through our knitting group. She was so talented and so humble about the beautiful things she made. I really enjoyed our many Saturday afternoons together and am thankful for them. From the beginning it was easy to feel a connection with Jo Anne. She was special and had such a beautiful, faithful heart. As our friendship grew, I came to see the connection was like a ship to a lighthouse because she was quietly such a bright light for others. She touched my heart and I'll always hold the fondest of memories of her as a great friend and role model. It gives me comfort that Jo Anne knew how much she was loved, especially by God and her family. She expressed multiple times how thankful she was for all of you “her sweet husband, and dear kids”.

Lori Dunt - October 04, 2021 at 11:44 AM



“ Rose Remembrance was purchased for the family of Jo Anne Neal.



October 04, 2021 at 10:06 AM

SM

“ I knew Jo Anne only a short while. She was a beautiful lady with so much knowledge and incite. My thoughts and prayers are with her family. May God bless and give you comfort.

sally meighan - October 02, 2021 at 10:15 PM

LE

Paul and JoAnne and Larry & I first met and really got to know each other in our couple's Bible study group quite a few years ago and found they both were so loving, caring, supportive and their strong love for The Lord came from deep in their hearts. Then JoAnne joined my Monday morning women's Bible study group at PLC and we all were able to feel, hear, experience and be blessed by so much more of this character, JoAnne was a lady you could turn to at any time to have your spirits lifted up. JoAnne you will be so missed by so many in so many ways . Paul, our prayers go with you and your family during this difficult time; let all those wonderful memories the two of you shared together through the years make your grieving process a little easier and more comfortable for you. Larry & Sue Ravn

Larry & Sue Eavn - October 04, 2021 at 04:57 AM

DS

Joan was helpful on the job.

Dave Spaulding - April 28, 2024 at 09:50 PM

MT

“ To Joan’s family: she was a beautiful soul, very kind and caring! She loved you all so very much as she would often speak of how and what her family meant to her. A very devout Christian woman. God needed another Rose for his garden! I will keep you in prayer and pray God gives all of you strength and comfort during this difficult time. God bless you. Maxine Tisdale



Maxine Tisdale - October 02, 2021 at 08:45 PM



“ Strength & Solace Spray was purchased for the family of Jo Anne Neal.



October 02, 2021 at 11:55 AM



“ *Beautiful in Blue was purchased for the family of Jo Anne Neal.*



October 02, 2021 at 11:00 AM



“ *I'm so sorry, Paul. JoAnne was one of my favorite people at AEA. We started working there on the exact same day. JoAnne was a beautiful lady inside and out. Everyone loved JoAnne, including me. Sorry that I cannot make the visitation.*

Connie Fredrickson - October 02, 2021 at 06:25 AM



“ *Paul, We are sorry to hear of JoAnne's passing. May the Lord give you His peace and comfort during the coming days. Alice & Gene Janssen*

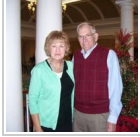
Alice Janssen - October 02, 2021 at 12:08 AM



“ *I will greatly miss my dear friend, JoAnne. We enjoyed sitting beside each other at our Monday morning Bible Study. We also often went to Cedar Falls Girls Night Out events and we both liked the color red and often bought the same red decor. She was just a thoroughly enjoyable person to be with--sincere and so kind. I am grateful that we are sisters in the Lord and will enjoy one another's company again one day.*

Melva Starr

Melva Starr - October 01, 2021 at 09:32 PM



“ *My husband and I have fond memories of Joann and Paul. We spent several years in the 90's country western dancing. Joann and Paul and several others danced away the evening. We had so much fun. I ran into Joann a couple of years ago when I was in the area and had a nice short visit with her. I was so sorry to see of her passing. She is one of those sweet kind people a person thinks will go on forever. Our sympathies to Paul and the family. She will be missed. Doug and Jennie Erpelding*

Jennie Erpelding - October 01, 2021 at 06:59 PM

DD

“ *I worked many years with Joanne at AEA 7. My husband and I went to many dances with Joanne and Paul especially Country line dancing. Our mothers were in the same retirement living facilities. Joanne was beautiful inside and out and I will always remember her fondly. Rest in eternal peace.*

Diane Dahlheim - October 01, 2021 at 05:22 PM

PM

“ Several years ago when I first started going to church on a every week basis I felt led to go to the women's Monday morning Bible study. I had a friend that was able to join me the first couple of times, then was not available to attend regularly. I knew I wanted to go but I am not an outgoing person until I know people. The week I went alone Joanne took notice of my shyness. She went home and told her husband Paul that if the following week I came back she was going to get their early and have the seat next to her saved for me. There was never a week that she was not there afterwards saving that seat for me. Later when my health was not well and I was no longer able to attend Joanne planned weekly visits to me at my house. I felt like she was a special friend who brought so much care, concern faith and laughter into my life. I felt as though we had been friends for years. She will always be remembered with love and missed dearly. I am very thankful for the fellowship and love of our Bible study. Joanne was part of the very heart of it. Pat Miller

Pat Miller - September 30, 2021 at 06:56 PM

KW

“ My deepest sympathy to JoAnne's family. She was a wonderfully sweet and kind woman. May memories bring you comfort and may God grant you peace in the coming days. I unfortunately will not be able to attend her services but I will be keeping you in my thoughts and prayers.

Kerri Gabbard Wilson

Kerri Wilson - September 30, 2021 at 03:07 PM



“ *Pink Tribute Spray was purchased for the family of Jo Anne Neal.*



September 30, 2021 at 02:45 PM