



Joan Murren

August 15, 1934 - December 20, 2013

Dateline: Pawleys Island, SC

Joan Banks Murren, age 79, of The Traditions, died Friday, December 20, 2013 at Tidelands Community Hospice House.

Born in Brooklyn, NY, she was a daughter of the late Al and Margaret Banks. Joan was employed by Lucent Technologies in New Jersey for 25 years as an administrative assistant before retiring in 1998. She was deeply involved with volunteer activities at Waccamaw Elementary School and in the Precious Blood Catholic Church community, as well as Book Club and Ladies Nine Hole Golf in the Traditions Community. One of her favorite hobbies was counted cross stitch of which she won several awards for her talents. In addition to her parents, Joan was preceded in death by her sister, Stephanie Swain; step mother, Grace Banks; and her step daughter, Georgia Murren.

Survivors include her husband, Walter Murren; daughters, Michelle Mendez (Ray), Virginia McGarvey (Michael), Denise Glew (Brian), Margaret Fontayne; step children, Cheri Harris, Kathleen Miele, Marc Murren (Caren); 11 grandchildren; and her sisters, Diane Bird, Kathleen Kloss, Susan Banks and Melany Banks.

Services will be held at a later date.

An online guestbook is available at www.goldfinchfuneralhome.com

In lieu of flowers, the family requests that memorial donations be made to Waccamaw Elementary School Library, 1364 Waverly Rd, Pawleys Island, SC 29585.

Goldfinch Funeral Home, Beach Chapel is in charge of the arrangements.

Tribute Wall

WM

“ 1 file added to the tribute wall



Walter E Murren - May 11, 2015 at 10:35 AM

WM

“ Dear Joan, our wedding anniversary is coming up on 5/13 and there will be a mass said for you on that day at PBOC. I hope to be there. Thanks for all you did for me over our thirty year together. Sean, Liana and Karlee all graduated from college. Liana is off to Penn State and Sean and Karlee are getting married this month. You are missed so very much by all. All my Love Always, Walt

Walter Murren - May 09, 2015 at 07:02 PM

GS

“ Sorry to hear of your moms passing. She was such a talented and strong woman. We spent alot of time the Osbahr house growing up. She put up with all of our shenanagins as kids! Gail (Spies) Strehan

Gail Spies Strehan - January 07, 2014 at 11:32 AM

DV

“ Sorry to hear about Joan. She was a good friend . Rest in piece

Don verbel - January 02, 2014 at 06:56 AM

CR

“ I was so sorry to hear about Joan's passing. Joan, Walt and a lot of other devoted Friday night tennis players played tennis together at the Knoll before they moved to Pawley's Island. When I became a Florida snowbird after retirement, Joan and Walt's house was always a stopping point for me as I drove that long stretch from New Jersey to Florida. I was a gracious guest in their house and was always asked to join them for golf, church and any social event that occurred during the week I was there. I will treasure my memories of all the good times we had....I will miss her. I am so sorry for your loss, Walt. Charlotte Rupakus, The Villages, Florida

Charlotte Rupakus - January 01, 2014 at 12:38 AM

GW

“ Joan was an amazing person!! i feel so fortunate and blessed to have been her friend!! Joan volunteered in my first grade classroom for 13 years at Waccamaw Elementary School. Joan was a so very talented and such a kind, giving, patient, caring and humble peron! Joan shared her gifts with our first graders with everything from reading, communication skills, publishiung books, counting money, crafts,and most importantly the love of learning!!! Joan organized and leveled hundreds and hundreds of books for our first grade library. Joan's oraganizational skills were extraordinary. At the end of each school year she would add to a photo book which included a picture of each student labeled with thier name. I am at loss for words to express my deepest sympathy and heartache that Joan has passed away. I will carry so many wonderful memories of Joan!! She was a living angel and I loved her!!!

Gina Walker - December 30, 2013 at 08:24 AM

AG

“ *Joan was one of my first (Occupational Therapy) patients when I moved to Murrells Inlet. She had a wrist injury and she HAD to get back to golf! What a beautiful friendship which grew over the past 9 years. She and Walt even drove to AR for my wedding.*

angela green - December 29, 2013 at 09:17 PM

CH

“ *Missing you so very much!! We were blessed to have you in our family!! Cheri and Dani*



Cheri Harris - December 29, 2013 at 09:50 AM

JF

“ *Deepest sympathy to Walt and Joan's Family. Joan and Walt were part of our Tennis Group while living up here in New Jersey. She was a very kind and fun loving individual. I'll remember the good times we all shared at tennis and pizza afterwards. Joan's looking down on us from Heaven. I'll keep you Walt and the family in my prayers. Sincerely, Joan Franke*

Joan Franke - December 26, 2013 at 05:58 PM

MF

“ To all of Joan's family, my deepest condolences. She was a wonderful person. Remember all of your good memories. She will always be in your hearts. She is now in heaven looking over you as your guardian angel.

Marie Fredella

Marie Fredella - December 25, 2013 at 05:10 PM

MM

“ Dear mom. You were absolutely the best. I will cherish our times forever. Rest in peace. Xxoo M

michelle mendez - December 22, 2013 at 06:16 PM

SP

“ Joan was a special woman that I enjoyed sharing time chatting about cross-stitch, playing golf together and visiting. Our hearts go out to all of you at the loss of your wife and mother and sister. Joan will be missed. Warmly, Sue and Bill Prizio, Osprey, FL

Susan & Bill Prizio - December 22, 2013 at 02:19 PM

MM

Thank you! Mom was very special. Michelle Mendez (oldest daughter)

michelle mendez - December 22, 2013 at 06:06 PM

KI

“ We are all in shock and so sad. We just saw Joan in church a few weeks ago greeting everyone to mass. Joan was one of the first people we met in Tradition. She called us and wanted to interview Amy and Jenn for the Tradition Newsletter. Joan was a warm and loving friend who will be greatly missed. Joan and Walt and their family will always be in our prayers. With Love and Prayers, Pat and Amy Kitowicz and Jenn and Paul Allard

Kitowicz - December 22, 2013 at 10:34 AM

MM

Thank you for the kind words about mom.

michelle mendez - December 22, 2013 at 06:09 PM

DS

“ Joan, you will be deeply missed, Loving wife, mother, grandmother, aunt, sister, family, friend or acquaintance, you were always interested and listened, often offering advice and counseling when we needed it. We will miss our holidays and special times spent with you. Our love and sympathies to Walt and your families. In love and prayers, Jim and Donna Snyder

donna snyder - December 22, 2013 at 07:52 AM

MM

Thank you Donna about your nice words about mom. Mom will be missed. I am Ginny's oldest sister.

michelle mendez - December 22, 2013 at 06:13 PM