



Janet K. Shigemura

March 21, 1944 - February 27, 2014

Janet K. Shigemura, age 69, of Gravois Mills, passed away Thursday, February 27, 2014, at St. Mary's Health Center in Jefferson City. She was born March 21, 1944, in Independence, Missouri, a daughter of the late Herman and Illene Goodrick Maxwell.

On December 27, 1963, in Kansas City, Missouri, she was united in marriage to her surviving husband, Dennis Shigemura.

Janet had been employed as a journalist for Current Communications. She later founded a non-profit organization known as Blindsight, serving as president for several years until her retirement.

She loved the outdoors, especially when gardening and landscaping. Janet also enjoyed writing and cooking. She was very social and enjoyed volunteer work most of her life.

In addition to her husband, Dennis of fifty years, she is survived by her daughter, Rachel Knott and husband Patrick of Independence, Missouri and many other relatives and friends. In addition to her parents, she was preceded in death by her son, Robin Shigemura, her brother, Daniel Maxwell and her sister, Patricia Pollard.

A celebration of Janet's life will be held at 2:00 p.m., Saturday, March 15th, at the Kidwell-Garber Funeral Home in Versailles. The family will receive friends from 1:00 to 2:00 p.m., Saturday, at the funeral home. In lieu of flowers, memorial contributions are suggested to a non-profit organization for the blind of the donor's choice.

Arrangements are under the direction and care of the Kidwell-Garber Funeral Home in Versailles.

Previous Events

Visitation

MAR 15. 1:00 PM - 2:00 PM (CT)

Kidwell-Garber Funeral Home - Versailles Chapel
207 North Monroe St.
Versailles, MO 65084
(573) 378-4655

Celebration of Life

MAR 15. 2:00 PM (CT)

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Tribute Wall

CE

“ *Dennis, I don't believe I ever met Janet, but I wanted to share my condolences. I'm sure the Lord will keep you tightly wrapped in His arms during this time and hope and pray, you feel His presence.*
Craig Elwell

Craig Elwell - March 09, 2014 at 08:58 AM

NC

“ *From 1970 Janet brought joy with her humor her heart and love for you all to me. Her Christmas letters are saved and reread. Janet was a special kind of gal.*
We are sorry for your loss.

Nancy Crowell and Family

nancy crowell - March 06, 2014 at 01:48 PM

BF

“ *Our heartfelt condolences to the family. We are sadden to hear of your loss. May you find solace in the love and memories shared together and may God comfort you with the words at Revelation 21:4,5. Happily we can look forward to the day God promises to bring about this resurrection to reunite us with loved ones John 5:28,29. May this thought bring you some comfort in the days ahead.*

Beltran Family - March 03, 2014 at 01:47 PM

CF

“ Janet was a genuinely beautiful woman and will be missed dearly.
Our heartfelt prayers for Dennis, Rachel and Patrick.

– All our love, The Fitzmaurice Family

Connie Fitzmaurice - March 03, 2014 at 01:07 PM

DC

“ Dear Janet, Now that I realize you're really gone, I just wanted to say how I will miss the kindness You & Dennis have shown Rick & I. Even when doors were shut, yours were always open. But now you're gone, and my heart aches with a sadness I have never known. Please look down on me and guide me. Uncle Dennis & Rachel, Rick & I wish you the best & just wanted people to know what a wonderful person she was. REST IN PEACE.

Dennis K. Crabtree - March 03, 2014 at 11:46 AM

SS

We feel this loss so much ! just heard tonight about my dear Cousin. We are so sorry for you Dennis. Janet came to Washington to the world's fair in 1962 and her and I had a blast. I remember so many trips to Mo. and the great times with the entire family. Dennis we are so sorry. Always, Cousin Stella

Stella Scott - March 07, 2014 at 09:53 PM