



Janet Carol Nance Grillo

August 25, 1951 - January 18, 2014

Janet Nance Grillo Janet Nance Grillo of Huntsville, Texas went to be with our Lord on Wednesday, January 8, 2014. Born on August 25, 1951 in Stillwater, Oklahoma, to Dr. John A Nance and Mary Emma Vaughan Nance, Janet was one of three children. She was preceded in death by her parents and her brother Rodney. Survivors include her husband Joe Grillo, Jr. of 42 years; her sister Sharla Nance Papitto of Houston Texas; her daughter Jennifer Grillo and husband Mike McLain of Humble, Texas; and her son John Rodney Grillo and wife Liz Grillo of Rosenberg, Texas. She is also survived by her granddaughters Peyton and Darby McLain along with several other family members and loving friends. Janet was a dedicated wife, mother, and granny. She attended Huntsville High School and Sam Houston State University where she met her husband. She was passionate about horses and was a past president of the Gulf Coast Women's Equine Association for several years. An avid horsewoman, Janet competed in several horse shows and events in Texas rodeos and state fairs. She enjoyed her many trail rides with friends and family. She loved tennis, golf, and playing with her granddaughters. In the last several years, Janet found a new calling teaching two year olds at Faith Lutheran School where she could share her love of God. Her illness was totally unexpected and she will be dearly missed. Rosary will be at St. Thomas the Apostle Catholic Church in Huntsville Friday, January 17th at 7 pm. Family will receive friends Saturday, January 18th, 10:00 - 11:00 am at Faith Lutheran Church before the funeral service. Funeral

will be at Faith Lutheran Church in Huntsville on Saturday, January 18th, at 11:00 am with a reception immediately following. In lieu of flowers, donations may be made to: Faith Lutheran School, 111 Sumac Rd., Huntsville, Texas 77340 or www.faiythhuntsville.org Those wishing to leave memorial condolences for the family may do so at www.shmfh.com.

Tribute Wall



“ Janet Carol Nance Grillo

November 15, 2022 at 08:33 PM



“ *Something just made me think of Janet today, so I was saddened to goggle her. & find that she recently passed. My time spent at the Golden G were the happiest days of my life- Janet was the kindest person I have had the pleasure to know- I remember thinking once no one is this kind- but she sincerely was! Thank you Joe & family for sharing her with us. Surely she is with Tootsie & King riding the trails in heaven. You are in my thoughts & Prayers-*

Lori O' Boyle - March 21, 2014 at 10:33 PM



“ *We are so sorry for your loss. May the love of family and friends comfort you. Blessings to you and your family with deepest sympathy.*

Janice (Zatyka) & Wayne Freudensprung - January 18, 2014 at 10:14 AM



“ *Dear Jennifer.*

Words simply cannot convey the hurt and devastation with the loss of a mother. Ms Janet was a beautiful woman and beautiful person. You have my very deepest condolences. Love hugs and prayers to the entire family.

Jenifer Smythe - January 18, 2014 at 08:58 AM

TF

“ We are very sorry for your loss and are keeping you in our thoughts and prayers.

The Adair Family - January 17, 2014 at 07:23 PM

TF

“ I cannot express how grateful we were to have had Ms. Janet as a teacher for MaKennah. She always greeted the her with a smile and a hug which as a parent makes it so much easier to leave them and them you. MaKennah loves going to school daily and loves to sing and that began with Janet. Since we left the school MaKennah has consistently spoke of her and always looked for her in Walmart in hopes to reconnect. Heaven truely gained an angel. We are so sorry for your unexpected loss and will continue to pray for your family.

The Parker Family - January 17, 2014 at 03:50 PM

MR

“ Rob, Jennifer, John Rodney and family -
We are sorry to hear about Jan's death. We will always treasure fond memories of her especially Cedar Lane coffees in the summer and neighborhood Fourth of July and Halloween gatherings. She will be remember as kind and thoughtful. Heaven surely has another smiling angel! The Richard Family

Michael and Beverly Richard - January 16, 2014 at 09:36 PM

CB

“ Dear Grillo family,
The family was sad to learn of this unexpected passing. Our prayers will be with you all during this time.
Love,
Connie Reese Blessitt

Connie Reese Blessitt - January 16, 2014 at 08:22 PM

VZ

“ Dear Rob and family,

Our deepest condolences to you. The Grillo family was like a family to us. Janet was such a beautiful and fitting part of the Grillo family. You are in our thoughts and prayers.

Vic and Mary Rose

Vic and Mary Rose Zdunkewicz - January 16, 2014 at 01:53 PM

TC

“ We are so sorry for your loss. Jan was a treasured neighbor and friend here on Cedar Lane. Our thoughts and prayers are certainly with you all.

The Copelands - January 16, 2014 at 12:27 PM

VL

“ Dear Jennifer and all of the Grillo Family,
I was so sad to hear about Janet's illness and then passing. You all are in my thoughts and prayers. My whole family is thinking and praying for you during this difficult time.
Love and hugs from Florida,
Vanessa Lopez

Vanessa Lopez - January 16, 2014 at 08:57 AM

RH

“ *I met you both at the hospital and was sad to see that your wife, mom had passed. We rejoice that she is at home, face to face with our Lord. At the same time we know how much you will miss her. Please know our prayers and thoughts are with your family.*
In Christ,

Rick and Christy Henderson - January 15, 2014 at 08:07 PM

LN

“ *Were still in shock when we take Leighton to her class everyday, its hard as a parent. The people that take care of your children become apart of your family and she was apart of ours. She was an amazing teacher to Leighton. Leighton loved Janet very much as we did. She will be very missed & never forgotten - may she rest in peace with our sweet father in heaven! Mom of Mrs. Janet's class*

Leighton's Mom - {the newman's} - January 15, 2014 at 03:55 PM

VB

“ *Joe, I know this is a very difficult and sad time for you and your family. As you, your family, and your friends mourn the loss of your beloved wife, their mother, their grandmother, and their friend, may you all remember that those who love God never see each other for the last time.*

Veta Williams Buzek - January 15, 2014 at 02:27 PM

RV

“ *Our sympathy for your loss of Jan. Our prayers are with you.*

Richard A. & Betty Vacek - January 15, 2014 at 02:06 PM

CL

“ *Rob and all the Family,
We are so sad of the news about Janet. We not only rode with her on the Bandera Hill Country Ride but was fortunate to get to ride with Rob and Janet on a lot of Thanksgiving week-end rides with friends like Jennifer and David, Brenda and Nathan, Doc and Debra and many more. We always had good times and I already miss that. Praying for all of you.
Carolyn & Butch*

Carolyn & Butch Lampert - January 15, 2014 at 02:04 PM

TF

“ Joe, Jennifer and John Rodney; I am so very truly saddened when I think about the light of Janet - your mom - being snuffed out. She was a shimmering presence wherever she went. While I know she is in a glorious place now, I know that your hearts are broken and I pray for God's Peace and Comfort during this time. May you all be granted the peace that passes all understanding.

The Servantes Family - January 14, 2014 at 10:26 PM

AB

“ Robbie, our very dear friend, we are reaching out to you and your family as you go through this terribly hard release of your precious wife. We were both shocked and so very sad when Cecil notified us of Jan's death. Words are not easily conveyed to say how very sorry we are for you and your family. Wish I could talk to you but do not have your #. We would be with you if possible, but I am recovering from a recent knee replacement. However, we will be with you in spirit. May God grant you peace and comfort during this difficult time. When you are ready, please call me 979-540-8982 or 979-968-5137. We love you dear friend and are here for you any time to visit, talk or just to listen. Praying for you and your family. We love you, Allen and Judy

Allen and Judy Benton - January 14, 2014 at 08:33 PM

KD

“ Jennifer - I remember meeting your mom and seeing her at special family events and occasions. Her eyes were always sparkling with joy and the love of her family. May The Lord comfort you and your family. Our prayers are with you.

Kirsten Davenport - January 14, 2014 at 08:04 PM

RK

“ Janet was a fun asset on our trail rides in the Bandera Hill Country. We are saddened upon hearing of her passing and deeply saddened to hear of your loss. As a Child of God we take comfort knowing she is with her Savior and we will, one day, meet again. Prayers for comfort from our Precious Jesus during this sad time. Her contagious laughter and smiles will be missed.

Roy and Joette Kimbal - January 14, 2014 at 02:40 PM

SJ

“ To Joe and Family,
I was so saddened to hear of the loss that you and your family have encountered. My heart goes out to you during this trying time. May the love and support of family and friends help you through this difficult time.

Sherlyn Smith Jones - January 14, 2014 at 02:37 PM

BM

“ It was a shock to hear the news of Jan's passing. Jan and I were best friends in high school and I deeply regret that we didn't keep up with each other all these years. She was so cute and petite, and I remember her teaching me how to say "I love you" in French. Please know that my thoughts and prayers are with you and your family during this difficult time.

Bonnie Akins McBride - January 14, 2014 at 02:27 PM

TP

“ John and I knew Janet thru the Riders of the Bandera Hill Country. She was always cheerful and so much fun to be around. We will be praying for yall.

The Pattersons - January 14, 2014 at 01:30 PM

GK

“ Joe - and all of Janet's family - I am so sorry for your loss of your precious, sweet Janet. She was a truly beautiful woman. I always enjoyed her warm smile and genuine care for all of God's creatures. I am praying that you will feel God's comfort and love holding you up in the days to come. -Genevieve Keefe

Genevieve Keefe - January 14, 2014 at 12:05 PM

DL

“ Dear Grillo Family: Janet was a member of our club, the Trailriders of the Bandera Hill Country, for many years. She was a person who seemed to really enjoy whatever it was she was doing. Please know our thoughts and prayers are with you and your family.

Dickey & Roni Laubach, Richard 'Squeeky' & LeAnna Laubach - January 14, 2014 at 12:04 PM

KG

“ For the Family, I just want to give my condolences and share a little something with you about Janet...when I first joined Gulf Coast Women's Equine Assoc. Janet was the first to greet me and welcomed me to ride with her. My granddaughter was with me at Camp Coyote when we rode..she just loved Janet and wants me to send her prayers for the family. Also she was there for me when I underwent my struggles with Cancer...I will surely miss her...I know she is singing with the angels...one day we will see her again...God comfort ya'll and my prayers are with you...Love Karen

Karen A. Greer - January 14, 2014 at 12:02 PM

JB

“ Dear Family: We are lifting you up in our prayers at this time. We knew Janet from the Trailriders of the Bandera Hill Country and also she purchased Stepper from me whom she promptly named Blue. She always had a smile on her face and a supper bubbly personality. There was never a dull moment when she was around. She loved the theme nights on the trail ride and always dressed up for the occassion. She will be missed.

James and Judy Bryan
Huntsville, Texas

James and Judy Bryan - January 14, 2014 at 10:10 AM

DT

“ Rob and family,
I just heard about Janet and so sorry to hear about your tragic loss. We enjoyed many years together on the Hill Country Ride and have missed her the last few years. Please remember you are in our prayers and she was always very bubbly and enjoyed knowing her. She'll be riding that white horse in the sky making sure they are taken care of.

Debra & Kenneth Tyer - January 14, 2014 at 08:57 AM

RB

“ Rob and Grillo family, sharing in your great loss of Janet. She will always be so fondly remembered in our hearts. Knowing your sweet memories of her will help you through your grief.

Rosemary & Bo Bozant

Rosemary Bozant - January 13, 2014 at 02:53 PM

RT

“ Praying you feel the love and care from friends near and far. May God continue to bless you.

Richard and Sharon Boudny Talasek - January 12, 2014 at 10:49 PM

JC

“ Joe, I am so sorry to hear about Janet. I remember her as someone who always seemed to be full of life. Our thoughts and certainly our prayers are with you and your family during this time of loss.

Jim & Cee Cee Candler - January 12, 2014 at 09:33 PM

CB

“ Joe and family,
I am so sorry for your deep loss. The next year will be a trial for you. Know that my thoughts and prayers will be with you. May God bless you and keep you in His arms.

Love,
Connie

Connie Reese Blessitt - January 12, 2014 at 09:05 PM

BS

“ Dear Grillo Family, I am so very sorry and saddened to hear about Janet. She was such a special friend one of the most thoughtful, kind & totally unselfish friend. The years at the Golden G were such fun years because of Janet & her generosity & fun spirit. Truly my prayers are with you all during this so difficult time.

Bitsy Searcy - January 12, 2014 at 05:53 PM

CW

“ Sharla, I am sorry to hear about Jan. Your family is in my thoughts and prayers.

Cheryl McLaughlin Washington - January 12, 2014 at 01:37 PM

RB

“ Alice and I were saddened to hear of your unexpected loss. Know that you and the family will be in our prayers and we hope to see you soon.

Ruben & Alice Balli - January 12, 2014 at 10:49 AM

SD

“ To Jan's family:
Please know how very sorry Pete and I were to hear of Jan's sudden passing. We are praying for God's comfort for each of you during the sad, most difficult time. My memories of Jan are as a child.....a very vibrant, full of fun little girl who didn't want to miss out on anything when she and the family would come to visit our farm during their summer trips. Again, I am so, so sorry for you loss.
Sandra Nance Dennis
cousin daughter of Hiram and Juanita

Sandra Nance Dennis - January 12, 2014 at 10:08 AM

JG

“ May The Lord comfort you and your family. Our prayers are with you.

Joe & Doris Gurecky - January 12, 2014 at 08:54 AM

SE

“ Jan and I were freinds from childhood through High School. I am deeply saddened by her untimely death. I pray that Our Heavenly Father will give you strength and sustain you in the days ahead.

Sally Hardy Espy - January 11, 2014 at 09:53 PM

KM

“*Sharla, I am so sorry for your loss. It is indeed a stunning thing to lose someone so young in such an unexpected way. My sister (Pam Mitchell Longley, from Jan's class) and I both want you to know that we are thinking of you and your family. Many prayers coming your way at this most difficult of times.*

Karen Mitchell McKeand - January 11, 2014 at 08:52 PM

TF

“*May the grace of God be with you during this extremely difficult time. Words cannot erase the sadness that you are feeling, but please know that you are in our thoughts and prayers.*

The Kocian Family - January 11, 2014 at 08:03 PM

RW

“*Jennifer. I am at a loss for adequate words to express my sadness for you. I had the blessed opportunity of knowing your mom from many years ago. I know heaven just received one of the most special angels. You are a reflection of your mom in the way you treat people with respect and empathy. Not to mention the way you make each person feel loved and special. I am so sorry for your loss. My condolences to you and all your family during this time.*

Russell Wolny - January 11, 2014 at 05:43 PM

RL

“*Rob, Jennifer and John Rodney, We remember Janet with great affection. She was always smiling and very friendly. We pray the Lord will comfort you and give you peace.*

Rocky and Betty Ann Lane - January 11, 2014 at 04:51 PM

FW

“ Joe and Jennifer...and to all your family....our hearts are so very saddened to hear this shocking news. Please know that you are in our prayers this miute ..and we will conotinue to ask God for his presence with you and to give you strenght and comfort as you trust him. She was so precious ..always smiling !! and she will be waiting for you in perfect peace with her God and Saviour.
We love you,
Faith and Walter Wainwright

Faith and Walter Wainwright - January 11, 2014 at 03:15 PM

TF

“ Our Lord needed a special Angle that had a loving heart for all who dwells in his house.
Ecclesiastes 7:3 Sorrow is better than laughter: for by the sadness of the countenance the heart is made better.

The Stricker Family - January 11, 2014 at 02:15 PM

SS

“ I am so sorry to hear of your loss and will keep your family in my prayers.

Sandra Startz - January 11, 2014 at 01:59 PM

CH

“ I am so sorry for your loss. I have been praying for her and your family.
I met you guys while my son was in ICU !
I thank you for talking with us that nigh in the waiting. room.
May God be with your family and give you peace and comfort.

Carolyn Cooksey Hanselman - January 10, 2014 at 04:29 PM

DM

“ We will miss your smiling face and sweet nature at Faith. May God wrap this family in his loving arms and give them strength through this difficult time.

Deven Merchant - January 10, 2014 at 03:42 PM

DV

“ I am so sorry for your loss. Jan and I were high school friends. Although I haven't seen her in many years, I never forgot our friendship. I know she will be truly missed.

Dennis Vermillion - January 10, 2014 at 11:44 AM

TF

“ My daughter was recently in Mrs. Janet's class at FLS until we moved about 10 months ago. After all these months, my daughter still sings songs in the unique and addicting rhythm Mrs. Janet taught her. Each song we sing together, reminds me of her heart-filled personality and beautiful, smiling face. She was such a pleasure to be around and we are blessed to have the opportunity to get to know her. She was an amazing teacher. Our prayers are with her and the family.

The Pasket Family - January 10, 2014 at 11:03 AM

KB

“ Blessings to all the family as you go down this difficult journey. You will continue to be in our prayers.

Kathy and Rick Baker - January 10, 2014 at 09:34 AM

TA

“ I am so sorry for your loss of Jan. Jan and I were school classmates. She was always the sweetest person. My heart goes out to her family at this very difficult time. God Bless you!!!

Trisha Hayslip Aker - January 10, 2014 at 09:04 AM

JA

“ I was so sorry to hear of Jan's passing. Our families go way back. Jan's mother was with with our family when my dad passed away Christmas Day 1997, I will never forget that. I regret that I cannot make the service, I am out of town, but my thoughts and prayers are with you . May God bless and comfort you, Joe, Charlotte and families.

Johnny Amick - January 09, 2014 at 11:35 PM

BH

“ I am so sorry to hear of Jan's passing. We were High school classmates and friends. She was always so sweet and bubbly... I saw her a couple of months ago at Walmart and we hugged and visited. She will really be missed. Everybody loved her!! I pray The Lord covers you all with comfort, grace and peace. Amen.

Becky Gaines Hawley - January 09, 2014 at 10:38 PM

KF

“ I am so sorry for your loss. Jan was my friend in high school. Our mothers were Sunday school friends. I had no idea Jan was back in Huntsville, and am very sad to not have had a chance to "catch up". So hard to lose our loved ones, but especially so early. Please know my prayers are with you at this incredibly difficult time.

Kay Nabors Fountain - January 09, 2014 at 06:11 PM

LM

“ For the Grillo Family.

The Last Moment.

Then comes the moment of saying good bye.

Now it's the end, you stop asking why.

You search your mind for things never said.

Strength comes from friends and tears that you shed.

What now has to be, you know's for the best.

It's hard to let go, but now she can rest.

Hold to the moments that all of you shared.

The Lord now is waiting, with a place He's prepared.

larry moore

Larry Moore - January 09, 2014 at 02:51 PM