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Janet was born February 1, 1931, at War Memorial Hospital in Sault Ste. Marie to George Richard and Lenore Katherine (Mortensen) Johnson. She and her mother were then transported to their Hessel home by sleigh, pulled across the ice by her father, George, and grandfather Mort Mortensen.

Janet was very active in Our Lady of the Snows Catholic Church and many clubs and organizations, including being a volunteer at St. Ignace Long Term Care Hospital Activities Department with her dear friend, Yvonne McDonald.

Janet is survived by six step-daughters, Anne (Gary) Tassier, Florence Cleary, Nancy (Bart) Case, Kathy (Wayne) Walts, Carol (Ron) Ammons, and Marilyn (Earl) Stewart; many cousins, especially Lois and Anne Hamel; many nieces and nephews, especially Tina Minix and Martha Keenan; and many friends, especially Jackie DeBruler, Penny Payment, and Chris Reed.

Janet was predeceased by her parents, George and Lenore; brother, Nolan; and three husbands, William Mahs, Charles Mitchell, and Wilbur Nye.

A Burial service will be held at Cedar (Edgewood) Cemetery, in Cedarville,

Michigan. Date and time will be announced at a later date for the summer of 2026.

Family Life Funeral Homes – Sault Ste. Marie assisted the family with arrangements. Condolences may be given to the family at www.familylifefh.com.

Obituary as submitted by family.

Cemetery Details

Cedar Cemetery (aka Edgewood)

Clark Township Office
P.O. Box 367
Cedarville, MI 49719

Events

Details are pending.

Tribute Wall

RW

“ When I was born Janet was my second mother. We would visit Jan’s mom’s house and run through her hanging laundry and flower garden—we’d laugh a lot. She went on Florida vacations with us in the ‘60’s. With my father driving his Rambler station wagon, we girls (Jan and 5 kids) would stick our feet out of the window and dance in the wind. I love Jan and I miss her every day.

Robin Wright - April 08 at 11:38 AM

DS

“ As a member of the Yooper Red Hats, Jan added a large layer of humor and enthusiasm. She was a delight to know and my life is richer for having known her. Her laugh and energy were infectious.

Dianne Schmitigal - April 05 at 02:56 PM

CR

“ I got to know Jan through the VFW Ladies Auxiliary. Such a sweet and lovely lady. I extend my deepest sympathy to all of her family.



Cherie Rosing Rye - April 04 at 12:13 PM

FE

“ My sincere condolences to Jan's extended family and friends. May all your find memories comfort you thru this difficult time. Her smile and thoughtful gestures, like sending Birthday cards, will surely be missed. Fly high with the angels Jan. Enjoy the reunion with all the family and friends who went before you. Rest in Eternal Peace.

Fern - April 04 at 08:56 AM

JS

“ *Jan was an amazing woman.
She was an inspiration on how to live life.
She gave to others, assisting people in their homes long before there was home health care and hospice services.
She continued to volunteer at 94 years old singing at nursing homes and working at the Salvation Army. She continued to understand the reward of giving to others and the need to be purposeful despite your age.
She loved animals and had a small farm in Hessel.
She was always up for adventure and laughed easily.
She gave me much joy.
Truly an inspiration to me on how to age well. I will miss her.*

Joan

Joan Smith - April 03 at 10:25 PM

VC

“ *I am so sorry to hear of Jan's passing! I have been doing Jan's hair for years and so enjoyed our conversations! She was a great lady and I'm truly gonna miss her!*

Vonda Cushman - April 03 at 07:55 PM

AH

*I met Jan at the Avery Center apartments. She was a gem, we'd eat in the Avery Cafe together with other friends.
That was almost an ever day event talking and enjoying each other.
Also I want to thank Gretta who every day with helping Jan in her apartment with some type of help, and Sue for cleaning her apartment.
Gretta loved her cat and would come to play with her.
RIP Jan, see you in heaven my friend.*

Ann Hill - April 07 at 08:22 AM