



Jeanne M. Milewski

March 28, 2022

Jeanne Mae Milewski, 91, passed away on March 28, 2022, with her children by her side. Her last days were spent with her children, grandchildren, and great-grandchildren, sharing memories, stories, and laughter.

Jeanne was born May 3, 1930, in Chicago, Illinois, the daughter of Victor and Ruth Hokanson. She graduated from Glenbard West High School in Glen Ellyn, Illinois, in 1948. After high school, she worked as a secretary for Houghton Mifflin in Geneva, Illinois. On November 23, 1949, Jeanne married Edward Milewski, and they spent their first years together in Michigan and Illinois. Their five children were born during this time.

Jeanne was drawn to Fort Collins and the beautiful Rocky Mountains. In 1946, she rode trolley #21 down Mountain Avenue and knew she had to return! In the early 1970s, Jeanne and Ed moved to Colorado, realizing her dream of living in Fort Collins. Jeanne loved exploring and watching the birds and wildlife in the Rocky Mountains. She also enjoyed gathering and planting flowers and gardening every spring and watching the birds and butterflies.

Jeanne moved to Phoenix, Arizona, in the mid-1980s and worked at TTI as an office manager. The company sent her to several conferences, and she loved the people and the work. During this time, Jeanne took care of her parents and youngest daughter as she finished high school. Jeanne loved being near

her mom in the Arizona sun and enjoyed picking oranges, lemons, and grapefruit off the citrus trees. However, after several years, and the passing of her mom, Jeanne was able to return to Fort Collins and be close to her children and grandchildren who adored her.

Jeanne loved tradition and holidays, and she often hosted small, intimate gatherings with five- and six-course meals of her favorite foods. She was a great cook, using recipes handed down from her mom and grandmothers. All of her meals and recipes were treasures, and the family will have her special dishes, cookies, and holiday meals for future generations to enjoy.

Jeanne also had an immense love of ALL creatures, but especially dogs, birds and butterflies. Throughout her life, she cared for many dogs. The arrival of dog Mandy (she called her “Ruk Er Rue”) was the beginning of all her made-up names: “fluffers” for all dogs, “poofy parlors” for animal “spas,” “pupperluffers” for her dogs and many more. Jeanne adopted, loved, and cared for orphaned dogs, providing them with plenty of treats! An event she looked forward to every year was the Westminster Kennel Club Champions Show which she watched religiously. The entire family shares this love of dogs because of their mom, Jeanne.

One of the greatest gifts that Jeanne gave her children and grandchildren was her fun-loving spirit. No one could spend time with her without knowing what a selfless, giving, and caring lady she was. Jeanne never complained and weathered every challenge in life with humor and a positive attitude. She loved her family so much and enjoyed her coffee and “lunch bucket” outings. Jeanne was also able to travel to many wonderful destinations and enjoyed being included on cruises with her beloved brother Bob, and sister-in-law Rosemary.

Jeanne is survived by her son Greg and grandson Holden; daughter Karyn (Kent) Hendricks and grandson Travis; son Scott (Kim) and granddaughters Riley, Jaime, and Lindsay; son Paul (Julie) and grandsons Zach and Keegan, and granddaughters Ashley and Jacque; daughter Kristin (Andy) Anselmo and grandsons Alec and Jake; and many great-grandchildren. Her death was preceded by her parents and brother Robert Hokanson.

A small funeral service will be held on April 8th at 11:00am in the chapel at First United Methodist Church. Please make any donations to your choice of animal rescues or Senior Critters.

Previous Events

Funeral Service

APR 8. 11:00 AM (MT)

First United Methodist Church
1005 Stover Street
Fort Collins, CO 80524
<http://www.fcfumc.net/>

Tribute Wall



“ *Jeanne M. Milewski*

October 25, 2022 at 06:14 PM



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Goes Funeral Care & Crematory - July 21, 2022 at 03:01 PM

AN

“ On-de (Andy) she called me.
I miss her gentle ways and gracious spirit. Her gift to me was her youngest daughter, for which I am eternally grateful.
Sharing a good Donut, record playing, the smell of dinner cooking, moments in time I will forever remember and cherish. I don't think I ever took the time we had for granted but I can't help but think I might have. Ever onward On-de.

Jeanne always encouraged me and made me feel like her own, as I'm sure she did with most people who landed in her path.

My Dad and you sure enjoyed the laughs Mom. It made me smile, happy. Thank you. I imagine you have your own Animal kingdom now. I can't wait to see it.

The Creators creation was your passion and you made every attempt to help and nurture all of his creatures. Well done, good and faithful mother. Bask in the goodness of Love.

You will be missed. I hold you in my heart until we meet again.

Your son in law, On-De

Andy - April 20, 2022 at 06:23 PM

RH

“ Ohhh Grandma Ski, Granny Ski, "G-Ski".... you are as sweet as they come! Your sweet little voice, your sweet little gestures, your sweet (and silly!) little phrases. Truly, the SWEETEST and most infectious little personality to be around and I always adored getting to spend time with you and the memories made! Not only do we share our immense love of coffee and "fluffers", but we also share the same middle name, Mae. I am so honored and grateful to get to carry such a special piece of you with me forever more! You are so, so loved and so, so missed!

Love, Your Little Ri-Pie

Riley Haskell - April 14, 2022 at 02:44 PM

DA

“ We have all been blessed by the love you shared with everything around you Jeanne. Already missing our Sunday chats and your smile. Thank you for being a friend to Stephen and I. Stephen and I were blessed to have shared time with you and watched our children and grandchildren grow. Also Jean I so enjoyed our time together since you moved to Loveland and our times together eating out at Wendy's, their chili it is still my favorite. So glad you loved the chocolate ice cream we enjoyed in your apt. Wish you could have taken the sea foam green sweatshirt I gave you!! You seem to have loved it, but I know you are nice and warm with Ed by your side and Stephen welcoming you HOME to your new mansion Jesus has built for you all.

All my Love, Donna Joy Anselmo, see you soon!

Donna Joy Anselmo - April 07, 2022 at 07:18 PM

KI

“ I'm incredibly lucky to have been given 2 moms on this earth. My “Mumzi” was the sweetest woman, best friend, and partner in crime (my lips are sealed) that I could have ever hoped for. You were such a gift to anyone in your path!

Scott and I will forever miss our extra passenger on all our outings together. Estes taffy run, lunch bucket, or the countless times of just stopping by for coffee and a chat. We know our Mom is busy taking care of all our past pups and reunited with her special Mom and brother Bob. We will miss your sweet voice, and gestures, and chats, and endless memories, and meals!

You were our favorite person to hang with Momma, and this life will never be the same. XOXOXO

Kim - April 03, 2022 at 11:11 PM



The obituary was spot on and who ever put that together did an outstanding and awesome job. I loved old Sam. And he was a inspiration to your family showing the love in his ❤️

Ted Snyder - April 07, 2022 at 02:23 PM