



Jo Ann Lipps Kinstler

October 14, 1934 - July 11, 2020

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Born 10/14/1934 and returned to our Lord 07/11/2020

JoAnn was born on October 14, 1934 here in Kansas City to Howard Nicholas Lipps and Edythe Virginia Fuhrman. She grew up in the Northeast of Kansas City in a simpler time with her siblings James Howard Lipps, Virginia Mae Weathersby, and Robert William Lipps. She bicycled, rode the street car, saw movies at the movie theater in her neighborhood, and loved playing sports. She was a bit of a tomboy and earned the title of boxing champion of her neighborhood as a youngster. She attended grade school at Whittier Elementary and then Northeast Jr High before graduating from Northeast High School. She also participated in ROTC while in high school.


After high school, JoAnn married James Franklin Kinstler and eventually settled in a new home in Independence, Missouri where they raised five children- Jacqueline Sue Young, Mark Alan Kinstler, David Brian Kinstler, Jaime Frances Banyalmarjeh, and Jennifer Ann McCullom.

JoAnn worked for Hallmark Cards as a copy artist before moving to manufacturing and then ending her career with Hallmark as a photo stylist assistant where she used her artistic abilities to create sets for the many photographers before retiring.

JoAnn loved the outdoors, her animals, creating art, and adventures. She was strong willed and her energy and enthusiasm for life was inspiring.

JoAnn was preceded in death by her parents, her husband Jim, her son David, her brother Robert Lipps, and her grand sons Jimi Kinstler and Carter McCullom. She leaves behind her brother James, her sister Virginia, her half brothers Robert Ellis and Ronald Ellis, her daughters Jackie, Jaime, and Jennifer, her son Mark, 12 grandchildren, 6 great grandchildren, and 1 great great grand child. She will be greatly missed.

Tribute Wall

 Jaime
Banyalmarjeh

“ *It's been 3 months since my mom left me. Tomorrow would have been her 86th birthday. I miss her terribly. She was my best friend and number one fan and supporter. Mom used to always encourage me to become a children's author. I think it was her dream and she wanted me to fulfill it. I don't know why my mom never did so. She was so very talented and energetic. I miss her energy and spunkiness. She was always ready to go! I pray I am able to make her proud. I miss you mom. Always.*

Jaime Banyalmarjeh - October 13, 2020 at 06:12 PM

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Banyalmarjeh

“ *On many Fridays one of the photo stylist Asterio Pascolini would lay the paper on your mom's desk & tell her... you & Sherri go To these circled Estate sales & look for props...you know what items I like. Asterio liked hand written letters & fancy ink pens or other writing instruments. It shows a personal touch for cards across the miles or Birthday cards to Mothers or Daughters. Etc... Your Mom & I sometimes had great adventures to & from these sales...sometimes we would come across a road we never heard of...so of course we would turn on that road to see where it took us. Lots of laughs & Good times on these journeys! SHERRI FARIS SHEPHERD*

Jaime Banyalmarjeh - July 17, 2020 at 09:36 AM