



Joanne Eunice Hayden Anderson

April 17, 1932 - January 12, 2022

ANDERSON, Joanne Eunice (Hayden), 89, of Prattville AL, passed away peacefully at home surrounded by family on January 12, 2022. Raised on a prominent dairy farm in Grant Park, IL, Joanne graduated Illinois State University, and was an innovative and creative teacher of Kindergarten through High School for over 50 years, lastly at Maxwell Elementary. She met the love the of her life at a college dance, and proceeded to dance, teach, and travel with her military husband around the world and across the USA. Mrs. Anderson lifted the spirits of many with love, generosity, and kindness, and was renowned for sharing the “best ever” pancakes, chocolate chip cookies and apple pies. A First United Methodist Church Woman of Distinction, she prepared and delivered meals to families with newborns, and many others, for over 20 years. Joanne was a passionate fan of Auburn University, and active member of the Prattville Sosia Club and Estudie Club. Mrs. Anderson was preceded in death by her parents Claude Merritt Hayden and Anita Daum Hayden and her loving husband of 66 years, Norman (Andy) V. Anderson. She is survived by sons Norman Carl Anderson (Ann Striplin) and James Philip Anderson (Sheila Howard), grandchildren Jakob Anderson (Miranda), Eric Anderson, Rebecca Gray (Matt), Joseph Anderson (Gabby), Rachel Anderson, Kari Anderson, Jesse Hallford, and Rachel Hallford, great-grandchildren Wiley Gray and Julianna Gray, her sister Ruth Reynolds, and brother Jack Hayden (Brenda), and extended family. Memorial Service is 2pm on January 16th at the First United Methodist Church, 100 E 4th Street,

Prattville, AL 36067. Memorial gifts may be given to First United Methodist Church, 100 E. 4th Street, Prattville, AL 36067, or Prattville YMCA, 600 E Main St, Prattville, AL 36067

Previous Events

Celebration of Life

JAN 16. 2:00 PM (CT)

First United Methodist Prattville
100 E. 4th St.
Prattville, AL

Tribute Wall

SL

“ I and my family moved next door to JoAnn and Andy on December 7, 1990. That was the day my third son, Cyrus, was riding around the pool, cut the corner too short and bike and him with winter coat fell into the pool! Oh how we relived that event through the years. For two years ten months, we had the privilege of living next door to this wonderful couple and meeting their family. Throughout the years, we kept in touch. We met in Orange Beach, Alabama at Wayne and Shirley's and danced the night away. My family evacuated to their house in 1995 during Hurricane Opal. They called me every year on my birthday, August 4th. Joann kept me abreast of their growing family of grandchildren and great grandchildren. The last contact we had was when she called to tell me of Andy's passing. In March I tried to call her cell phone which had been disconnected. I was concerned of what that could mean. I shared my concern with my son, Cyrus, a couple of weeks ago. Yes, the same son. He did the investigation and sadly he sent me this link today. However, I am not sad for I know she is with her God and savior plus her dearly loved, Andy. I will relive the wonderful memories I have of this couple and how they touched my life. We were blessed to have lived next door to the Anderson's!

SHARON LOPER - May 05, 2022 at 11:09 AM

PA

“ Joanne was such a delight when I met her and throughout the time I knew her. I wondered what kind of home life she must have to always be so happy and when I met Andy I knew the reason. This was a couple really in love and who liked each other and adored one another, who submitted to one another and most of all, who loved the Lord and were, very often, His feet and hands on earth. Joy! They are together again.

pat - January 16, 2022 at 01:36 PM



“ *Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum was purchased for the family of Joanne Eunice Hayden Anderson.*



January 16, 2022 at 09:20 AM



“ *Divine Peace Bouquet was purchased for the family of Joanne Eunice Hayden Anderson.*



January 15, 2022 at 12:40 PM



“ *Joanne was such a precious lady and friend to my Mom and Dad, Roy and Maxine Streit. Joanne and Andy where always so faithful to visit my Mom and Dad over the years and would bring good food, pretty flowers and smiles to lift my folk's spirits. Anything my folks needed they were always right there to help. I know Joanne will be greatly missed by her family and many friends.*



*With my deepest sympathy,
Sharon Streit Gunn*

Sharon Streit Gunn - January 13, 2022 at 02:37 PM

MR

I have never met a happier and more loving couple than Joanne and Andy. They adored each other and everyone who knew them adored them as well. I figured when Andy passed Joanne would soon follow because they were inseparable. There are many hollowed-out hearts now because of Joanne's passing. She truly was an angel on earth. Hopefully, with God's help, our memories of her and Andy will sustain us. My heart goes out to their children, grandchildren, extended family and friends. May God bless and comfort you all.

Mike Ray - January 13, 2022 at 04:51 PM

KB

*I began teaching with Joanne in 1980. We became great friends as well as team teachers. She was always happy, joyful and so very kind. She loved to laugh. Adults and children loved her at school. My love to her family. Andy and She were the best of the best. I will miss her terribly.
Kathleen Bradwell*

Kathleen Bradwell - January 14, 2022 at 08:17 PM

NC

Joanne was always upbeat and happy. I never heard her say a negative word about anyone. She was always a joy to be around at school. She often talked about Andy, her boys, and her grandchildren. She will be missed by many.

Nancy Cooper - January 14, 2022 at 10:11 PM

KL

So sorry to hear this. I live down the street. It was always so sweet when he would walk with her and hold her hand and she always had a smile on her face. They were the sweetest couple.

Kervin Lisa - January 19, 2022 at 09:16 AM