



Nancy Joy (Campbell) Vance

August 16, 1940 - February 6, 2021

Nancy Joy Vance, 80, is now joyfully reunited with her loving husband, Phil, in the Lord's kingdom. She is survived by her daughters Jan (Martz), Heidi (Holt), grandchildren Thomas Koshi, Rebecca Koshi, Andrew Holt, and Austin Holt, sister Adrienne (Henry) DeVries, and many nieces and nephews, grandnieces and nephews, and many lifelong and close friends.

Nancy was born and raised in Markham, IL on August 16, 1940, where she lived with her mother (Catherine), father (William), and older sister Adrienne. Her life was also filled with many Doran cousins, and a large family garden that included chickens and geese. Her Grandfather Muench owned a bakery in Chicago, which provided many coffee cakes and other recipes over the years.

Nancy, as mother to Jan and Heidi, was involved as Brownie troop leader, and neighborhood mom. She supported her daughters in swim team, band, science fair and other activities. Nancy loved to garden and visit family. Many family Christmas's were spent on the beach in Venice, FL where her parents had retired.

Nancy started her career as a teenager, working as a medical transcriptionist. She moved to Taylorville, Illinois, where she began work as a phlebotomist. Later she earned her bachelor's degree in Medical Technology and became

certified with the state as a Medical Technologist, rising to become Director of the laboratory and later all of diagnostic services.

On April 23, 1988, she married Philip K. Vance (d) of Salem, IL. They moved to Alton, IL, where she became director of the laboratory at Alton Memorial Hospital. They loved to travel together and explore the world. They were active members of Main Street United Methodist Church. They loved their church family, volunteering on the "Bucket brigade", supporting Encounter, and other service projects. Phil and Nancy were especially active in supporting the American Cancer Society's Relay for Life. Her Sunday school group "Genesis" was particularly close, hosting fundraisers, events and supporting each other through life's ups and downs. It was Phil and Nancy's joy to be a part of such a close church family.

Later, she took a position at Barnes-Jewish/Christian (BJC) Hospital as Director of Diagnostic Services for their 5 hospitals where she retired in 2002.

In 2017, Nancy moved to Buford, Georgia, to be nearer her daughter Heidi. Arrangements are pending. The family asks, that instead of flowers, you consider a donation to Main Street United Methodist Church, Alton, IL, or American Cancer Society's Relay for Life.

Tribute Wall



“ *Nancy Joy (Campbell) Vance*

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Jan Martz - February 22, 2022 at 04:55 PM



“ *Heidi lit a candle in memory of Nancy Joy (Campbell) Vance*



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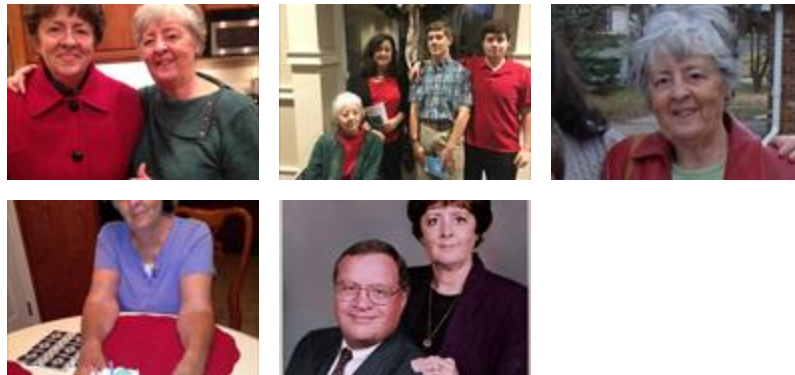
CJ

“ I have nothing but the best memories of Nancy as our neighbor and Mom's good friend in Lansing. All 7 of us kids hopping the fence to come over and eat pancakes in the morning. Eating green beans straight from her garden, still do the same thing today in my own garden. I see her middle name was Joy, never knew that but it sure fits her personality. Always happy, smiling with an infectious laugh. Some of our best childhood memories are filled with her ~ Love, Thoughts & Prayers

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“ Nancy had such a sweet and caring spirit. I got to know her through church. She and Phil were a couple devoted to each other and to the Lord. We served on a committee together known as Hearts in Service. This ministry group was a care team for the members of Main St. United Methodist Church in Alton, IL Nancy enjoyed making and taking homemade soup to members who were in need of some TLC. I have wonderful memories of time spent with both Nancy and Phil. May God's love and peace surround you, Sheila Seitzinger

Sheila Seitzinger - February 09, 2021 at 01:07 PM

BG

Nancy was so sweet and such a devoted Christian. She and Phil introduced me to Relay for Life. I have many fond memories of attending events and “just having fun” while fighting the fight against cancer. What a wonderful example she was to many. May God bless you and surround you with his loving care. ~Bev Goans, member of Main Street UMC and Relay for Lifer

Beverly Goans - February 09, 2021 at 09:37 PM

KH

Nancy Joy was a fitting name. She found joy in life. She loved traveling, she loved nature, flowers (especially daylilys) reading, cooking and baking (she was a wonderful cook) and she had a heart of service to others. She was a joy to have as a friend.

Karen Hines - February 11, 2021 at 09:31 AM

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She...and hubby...were a team who made life brighter and better for many. The faith in Jesus so real in her is no longer faith. It is sight.
Pastor Bob Phillips

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