



Jane Brown

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Jane A. Brown, 78, of Vandalia passed away at 5:45pm, Wednesday, June 3, 2015 at Greenville Regional Hospital.

Funeral Services will be held at 3:00pm, Sunday, June 7, 2015 at Unity Baptist Church, Hwy 185 Location, Vandalia with Rev. Robert Weaver officiating. Visitation will be held from 1:00-3:00pm, Sunday, June 7, 2015 at Unity Baptist Church, Hwy 185 Location, Vandalia. At the request of Jane and her family her body will be cremated after services. Hohlt & File Funeral Home of Vandalia is in charge of arrangements. Online condolences are available at www.hohltandfilefh.com

Jane was born in DuQuoin, IL on February 9, 1937, the daughter of William and Florene Cheek. On December 30, 1956 she married Thomas J. Brown of DuQuoin, her first date and childhood love. After their marriage Tom and Jane moved to Chicago, then to the suburb of Lombard, IL where they lived for approximately 13 years.

During their time in Lombard, Jane was an active member of the Lombard Bible Church, there she served as a leader for the Pioneer Girls, and organization for ages jr. high through high school. In addition, she taught Sunday School for high school girls, was a camp leader for Camp Cherith and with her husband coordinated Bible School for age birth through adulthood. At this time she was also a member of ECWA, Evangelical Child Welfare Association where she as council representative. Another



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phase of Jane's life began in Lombard, as she began her college career at the College of DuPage.

Due to a change in her husband's profession, in 1971, the family made the move to Vandalia. Other than raising four children, Jane took an interest in the school system and ran as a candidate for the Vandalia School Board in 1974. While on the board she served as Secretary of the Board for 5 years. She was also elected to Chairperson for the Kaskaskia Region. In this capacity, Jane served on the financial committee for the State Board of Education and became a member of the Right to Read program.

Aside from the school system, Jane was employed by Fayette County Hospital for 17 years. At this time she completed her degree, and Associate degree from Kaskaskia College and her Bachelor's degree from Concordia University where she graduated cum laude. In addition, Jane was a certified Accredited Records Technician which enabled her to work in the medical records department.

In September 1998, Jane embarked on the career that was her true love, TEACHING. She began substitute teaching for the Vandalia School District #203 at that time. Eventually, the high school was her usual place of work. There she taught summer school English, served as a grief counselor and loved any roll she undertook for the students. Sports were a very top priority for Jane and with her husband she was an avid Vandalia basketball fan. However, all sports were very important.

On the fun side, Jane enjoyed traveling with her husband all over the United States and playing golf and bridge. She was a member of the Vandalia Country Club and Vandalia Ladies Golf Association where she had served as secretary/treasurer. She also belonged to the St. Elmo Country Club.



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Her love of the Lord Jesus Christ began at an early age. She was baptized at the First Baptist Church of DuQuoin, IL and had her church membership at Lombard Bible.

"Mrs. Brown" as her students would say is survived by her husband Thomas J. Brown of Vandalia; daughters Krystal and husband Greg Hohlt of Vandalia, Stacy and husband Tim McMillan of Brownstown, and Micki and husband Scott Durbin of Vandalia; son Tom Brown and wife Paige of Waterloo, IL; grandchildren Kristoffer Taylor and wife Michelle, Brett Taylor and wife Mindy, Brianne and husband Jason Garner, Erin and husband Steve Sash, Caitlin Hines and friend Adam Reinhold, Marion Brown and wife Brandy, Terre brown, Devin Durbin, Mike Durbin, Chris Durbin and wife Amanda, Madison brown, Nathan Brown, and Luke Hohlt and wife Megan; great grandchildren Zoe, Ally, Natalie, Kynley, Syllas, Mabry, Dakira, Sloan, Zach, Justin, and Zane.

She was preceded in death by her parents.



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CF

Connie Frailey posted:

"T" as Jane always refferd to you, I also am so sorry for your family loss of one super great woman. Jane and I worked in different departments at FCH, but she always had words to positive encouragement when you met her. That smile and friendly greeting will be missed by many. God will be and is your strength.

November 8 at 3:49 AM

DC

Donovan Camp posted:

Tom I saw today that Jane was called away. A wonderful lady with a great outlook on life. So sorry for your loss.

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LK

Lisa Koontz posted:

I am so sad this sweet lady has passed. I worked at Vandalia Country Club back in the early 1980's and Tom and Jane were members. Both of them so sweet and kind with a lot of inspiration. My prayers of peace and comfort goes out to Tom and the whole Brown family. I am so honored and blessed to have met and known her.Lisa Koontz

November 8 at 3:49 AM

EM

Elaine Michel posted:

Tom and family,So sorry for your loss. Jane was such a happy lady and she will be missed by many. May God bless all of you.

November 8 at 3:49 AM

SB

Sharon And Van Boatman posted:

Our deepest sympathy goes out to your entire family. I worked with Jane many years ago, and she was always full of energy and enthusiasm. And she always spoke of 'T' and her family...the loves of her life. May she now rest in peace with her Savior.

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LR

Lisa Robbins posted:

Micki, the Pool Crew sends their love and God's Peace and Strength during this very difficult time. Lean on Him. Only He can fill the huge hole in your heart right now. Hold tight to your memories. We love you!

November 8 at 3:49 AM

GH

George Huntington posted:

Prayers and fond memories are what we have to remember our dearly departed. May the love of family and friends comfort you during these difficult days, our most heartfelt condolences.

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KW

Kristen Wahler posted:

Dear Mr. Brown & Family, So saddened to hear of your loss! We do have a tremendous hope of heaven and we can be assured that Mrs. Brown is in a better place, seeing Jesus face to face. We will be praying for you now and in the days ahead! Fondly and With Deepest Sympathies, John, Kristen (Bell), Aura Wahler (Ralph and Myrna Bell's Daughter)

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JT

John & Jan Tobey posted:

Dear Tom and family, It's with sadness that we learn of Jane's death. May God's love and peace comfort all during this time of mourning.

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SH

Sue And Larry Harrison posted:

Oh Tom and family. We are so sorry. I was encouraged when I saw her in the nursing home, so this is a shock. On the other hand, I am so grateful that I got to spend a few minutes with her. We are in MN visiting with Tami and family so will not be able to share our sympathy with you in person. Please know how deeply we care and how sincerely we are praying for all of you.

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GA

Georgi And Merle Adermann posted:

So sorry to the Brown family for the loss of Jane. Cherish your memories.

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RS

Ruth Stiemann posted:

Dear Tom and Family - I was so very sorry to learn from Peg Samuelson of Jane's passing. You have my deepest sympathy on the earthly loss of your beloved wife, mother and grandmother. May the Lord give you strength and comfort in the days ahead. I thought yesterday what a wonderful welcome into Heaven she received not only by our Lord Jesus Christ, but by her dear friend, Myrna Bell. My prayers are with you for the comfort only our Lord can give all of you. God bless you. Ruth Stiemann, Lombard IL

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Memories only last if you share them

Join us in honoring Jane Brown by contributing to a collection of shared memories.



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