



Jean M. Thompson

March 6, 1944 - November 8, 2018

Jean M. Thompson, 74, of Carlisle, OH formerly of Spirit Lake passed away on Thursday, November 8, 2018 at her home in Carlisle, Ohio. Funeral services for Jean will be held at 10:30 a.m. Wednesday, November 14, 2018 at St. Mary's Catholic Church in Spirit Lake. Burial will be in the St. Margaret's Cemetery in Spirit Lake. Visitation will be held from 4-7 p.m. Tuesday November 13, 2018 at the Schuchert-Lentz Funeral Home in Spirit Lake with a vigil service starting at 7:00 p.m. Tuesday at the funeral home.

Jean was born on March 6, 1944 to Grey and Mary (Eckard) Smitley in Harris, IA. She graduated from Sumner High School and earned her teaching degree from UNI. She was united in marriage to Duane Thompson on November 29, 1969 in Spirit Lake, IA. He preceded her in death on April 10, 2009 in Spencer, Iowa.

Jean taught for many years in the Spirit Lake School system as a PE Teacher. She also coached volleyball and golf for the school. In her later years, Jean worked for Northwest Bank.

She was a member St. Mary's Catholic Church in Spirit Lake. In her spare time, Jean enjoyed golfing and was a longtime member at Okoboji View Golf Course.

Left to cherish her memory is her daughter Darcy (Scott McGuire) Thompson of Carlisle, OH; 6 grandchildren, Autumn Burkhalter, Cheyanne Reed, Ridge

Reed, Weston Schueller, Stephanie Schueller, and Tanasi Reed; and her sister Judy Woodworth of Spearfish, SD.

She was preceded in death by her parents, husband, daughter Vangie Thompson, brother Ronnie Smitley and her sister Joyce Chestnut.

Cemetery Details

St. Margaret's Cemetery

Spirit Lake, IA 51360

Tribute Wall



“ *Robinson Funeral Home created a Tribute Video in memory of Jean M. Thompson*



Robinson Funeral Home - November 12, 2018 at 04:49 PM

TO

“ *Jean was such a great friend to me when I started working for the district. Loved it when she'd sub for me because she'd say, 'No need to make lesson plans, I have some fun things I can't wait to teach!' We had her be our honorary volleyball coach and at our supper she gave a speech that still moves me. She ended it by having our players go onto the volleyball court and over the speakers she played the radio clip of the final few plays as her volleyball team qualified for the state tournament. To date it's still the only team to qualify for state. You'll be missed coach.*

Tim O'Hagan - November 19, 2018 at 07:48 PM

AH

“ *Annie (Tonsfeldt) Hoffmeister lit a candle in memory of Jean M. Thompson*



Annie (Tonsfeldt) Hoffmeister - November 19, 2018 at 06:17 AM

JH

“ *John Huuntsinger lit a candle in memory of Jean M. Thompson*



John Huuntsinger - November 16, 2018 at 12:54 PM

LJ

“ *Larry/Mary Ann Jansen lit a candle in memory of Jean M. Thompson*



Larry/Mary Ann Jansen - November 15, 2018 at 06:53 PM

CW

“ *CONNIE WYMER lit a candle in memory of Jean M. Thompson*



CONNIE WYMER - November 15, 2018 at 09:27 AM

MC

“ *Michele Cosens lit a candle in memory of Jean M. Thompson*



Michele Cosens - November 13, 2018 at 05:10 PM

MH

“ Mrs T. was such a positive influence for me in high school. She inspired me to do and to be my best! She instilled a love of volleyball in me that continues today. She was always kind and fair, but tough when she had to be. She will be greatly missed. Sending



Michele (Cosens) Huber - November 13, 2018 at 04:50 PM



“ Beautiful in Blue was purchased for the family of Jean M. Thompson.



November 13, 2018 at 11:16 AM

JB

“ It's so hard to say good-bye to such a dear friend. We had many, many laughs and tears at school and after retirement. She was a second mom to my daughter during those volleyball seasons and P.E. Mr. T and Mrs. T - a great pair. I'll miss her deeply.

Jean Boekhout

Jean Boekhout - November 13, 2018 at 09:30 AM

JT

“ Janelle Treganza lit a candle in memory of Jean M. Thompson



Janelle Treganza - November 13, 2018 at 08:02 AM

GC

“ Thinking of you and missing you on this rainy day in North Carolina. I know Uncle Duane and Vangie were there to greet you. And all your loved ones too. Sending love and prayers to Darcy and the grandkids today. Your Caldanaro cousins wish we could be there in body, but we are definitely there in spirit.

Gina Caldanaro - November 13, 2018 at 07:18 AM

WA

“ With Hugs, Amanda (Smit) Amirie purchased the Enchanted Cottage for the family of Jean M. Thompson.



With Hugs, Amanda (Smit) Amirie - November 12, 2018 at 08:07 PM



“ Full Of Love Bouquet was purchased for the family of Jean M. Thompson.



November 12, 2018 at 02:27 PM



“ Arrive in Style was purchased for the family of Jean M. Thompson.



November 12, 2018 at 09:51 AM

BE

“ *Bob And Mary Emgarten lit a candle in memory of Jean M. Thompson*



Bob and Mary Emgarten - November 12, 2018 at 08:11 AM

 Amie N
Hinshaw

“ *Amie N Hinshaw lit a candle in memory of Jean M. Thompson*



Amie N Hinshaw - November 12, 2018 at 06:34 AM

RG

“ *What a sweetheart Jean was! It was a pleasure to know her and be a co-worker. She had such energy and positive attitude. She will be missed. Rest in peach Jean.*

Randy and Jean Graff

Randy and Jean Graff - November 12, 2018 at 06:22 AM

KW

“ *Very sorry Darcy to hear of your moms passing! She was such a great lady! I remember hanging out with Vangie at your house. Your mom was a wonderful mother, grandma and a awesome teacher! My sympathies to you all.*

Kay Ward - November 11, 2018 at 10:27 PM

BS

“ Our sympathy to Jean's family. Bob and Jean taught physical education together at Spirit Lake. Both Jean and Duane were wonderful caring beautiful people. Our thoughts and prayers are with their families and friends.



Bob and Kate Shaw - November 11, 2018 at 09:33 PM

MJ

“ Michelle Farmer Janasko lit a candle in memory of Jean M. Thompson



Michelle Farmer Janasko - November 11, 2018 at 04:50 PM

CK

“ Chris Kielman lit a candle in memory of Jean M. Thompson



Chris Kielman - November 11, 2018 at 11:22 AM



“ Sweetest Sunrise Bouquet was purchased for the family of Jean M. Thompson.



November 10, 2018 at 10:14 PM

AW

“ *She was a positive influence on so many people.* ”



Angie Wills - November 10, 2018 at 06:56 PM

AS

“ *Andrea And Jeff Schwarck lit a candle in memory of Jean M. Thompson* ”



Andrea and Jeff Schwarck - November 10, 2018 at 01:09 PM

CF

“ *Colleen Frederick lit a candle in memory of Jean M. Thompson* ”



Colleen Frederick - November 10, 2018 at 08:30 AM



“ *Matthew Hawn lit a candle in memory of Jean M. Thompson* ”



Matthew Hawn - November 10, 2018 at 01:49 AM



“ Always had an fun time in her P.E. class. She always pushed you to be better and a loved her for that.



Jim Behrens - November 09, 2018 at 09:52 PM

DB

“ We knew Jean and Duane many many years. Great people! May God wrap you in his arms and carry you through this difficult time.
Debbie Godbold Bahr

Debbie Godbold Bahr - November 09, 2018 at 09:51 PM

PP

“ Pat And Judy Peddycoart lit a candle in memory of Jean M. Thompson



Pat and Judy Peddycoart - November 09, 2018 at 09:26 PM

KK

“ Darcy and Family... Jean was my friend, and colleague, We met at "Margaret's" babysitting service, when you were just a little gal. ..Vangie and you were her delight and the light of her life !.. That was just the beginning of our friendship. She was a devoted Mom and progressive educator. We shared a lot of through out our years of teaching and family. She always did her ultimate at everything. challenge she had. How proud you must be of her ! Extending my deepest sympathy *Karen Krieger*

Karen Krieger - November 09, 2018 at 08:13 PM

SH

“ Our sincere condolences to you, Darcy! Steve has so many fond memories of working with your mom. She was a great mentor to him as he came into Spirit Lake to teach Physical Education. She will always be remembered for being such a dedicated and outstanding teacher. A sparkle in her eye and a spring in her step-always. Steve and Sharon Hanson!
Peace to you!



Sharon G Hanson - November 09, 2018 at 06:11 PM

DK

“ Doug & Sally Kness lit a candle in memory of Jean M. Thompson



Doug & Sally Kness - November 09, 2018 at 02:07 PM

BT

“ Brent Tiffit lit a candle in memory of Jean M. Thompson



Brent Tiffit - November 09, 2018 at 02:04 PM

LS

“ *Lisa Farrell Schwarz lit a candle in memory of Jean M. Thompson*



Lisa Farrell Schwarz - November 09, 2018 at 02:01 PM

LE

“ *So sorry to hear about your mom's passing Darcy. My heart goes out to you and your family. Leslie Harris*

Leslie - November 09, 2018 at 01:37 PM

SS

“ *Dear Thompson family, Jean was a wonderful teacher. I remember her so well and all that she did to inspire students. We will all miss her. My deepest sympathy to all of you.*

Susan Parriott Spalding

Susan Spalding - November 09, 2018 at 01:35 PM



“ *Beautiful Heart Bouquet was purchased for the family of Jean M. Thompson.*



November 09, 2018 at 01:08 PM

DB

“ My sympathy to your family.

Dayle Brooks



dayle brooks - November 09, 2018 at 12:40 PM

TO

“ Jean and myself were tasked with co-teaching high school physical education at Spirit Lake and initiated a new phase of technology in our classes using heart monitors and computer feedback for each student although very limited due to ongoing budget restraints what we were initiating was tracking individual physical activity which now can be done with personal fitbits. It was my honor to accept with Jean the governors award for physical education program of the year for the state of Iowa and Mrs. T DESERVES THE MAJORITY of the credit fo her esteemed work and I'm grateful to have shared this venture and many private moments with her and Duane. Rest in peace and may the golf Angel's lead you to many birdies as you beat Duane on God's most beautiful links. 🏌️♀️🥰



Terry Osgerby - November 09, 2018 at 12:25 PM

GS

“ Gary & Kay Swenson lit a candle in memory of Jean M. Thompson



Gary & Kay Swenson - November 09, 2018 at 11:20 AM

LB

“ *Linda K Baltzegar lit a candle in memory of Jean M. Thompson*



Linda K Baltzegar - November 09, 2018 at 10:44 AM

ML

“ *Mary Eddy Linton lit a candle in memory of Jean M. Thompson*



Mary Eddy Linton - November 09, 2018 at 09:23 AM

SD

“ *Sorry for your loss. Jean was a great lady. Loved her as a coach in school. Always a smile. Just a little spitfire she was. Hugs and prayers to the Thompson family.*

Sally C. DeLoss - November 09, 2018 at 08:31 AM

SH

“ *What a great neighbor! Have missed u. So sorry to see this. Tons of love and prayers*

Sally haas - November 08, 2018 at 10:25 PM

DW

“ *Dean Wolterman lit a candle in memory of Jean M. Thompson*



Dean Wolterman - November 08, 2018 at 09:54 PM

FJ

“ *Fran Jungjohan lit a candle in memory of Jean M. Thompson*



Fran Jungjohan - November 08, 2018 at 09:08 PM


Heather Pohlman

“ *Rest in peace Mrs. T. Such a sweet lady and one of the best teachers out there.*



Heather Pohlman - November 08, 2018 at 07:54 PM

TL

“ *God Bless to you and your family, Darcy. Your mom was such an awesome lady! She was such a positive role model as a coach and teacher. She was one of my favorites!*



Tiffany Lammers - November 08, 2018 at 06:26 PM

PR

“ Jean was a leader in physical education in IOWA! She knew her volleyball, too. God got a good one with her. Prayers to the family.

Peggy Rick - November 08, 2018 at 06:09 PM

TR

“ Rest in Peace Mrs T...you were my favorite PE Teacher in high school and now your with husband and daughter in heaven



Toni Rogers - November 08, 2018 at 04:30 PM