



Jean A. Joyce

October 26, 1934 - March 5, 2025

Jean A. Joyce, 90, of Concord Twp., died March 5, 2025 at Vista Springs Quail Highlands in Concord Twp.

Jean was born on October 26, 1934, to Howard and Marie Bobbitt, in Xenia, OH, in the middle of the Great Depression. She was the second of eight children and often shared many fond memories of growing up on the farm, and the joyful (and sometimes mischievous!) times she had with her siblings. Mom was raised lovingly in a family that lived by three basic tenants: the practicing of a loving Christian faith, the importance of being of service to others, and to pursue knowledge and learning throughout life and to never be afraid of a little hard work!

Mom married Dr. Bruce F. Andreas in 1952 and graduated from Miami Valley Hospital School of Nursing in 1955, her first job being an OB/GYN nurse (hence her love for baby dolls!). When her husband received the position of pathologist at Geauga Hospital, they moved up to Chardon and raised their family, spending the summers in the cottage on Headlands Beach. Mom loved the beach, and spent hours walking the shores, collecting periwinkles and beach glass, and marveling at the wildflowers and wildlife that was so abundant. She instilled in her children a great love of nature.

In 1970, the family moved permanently to the Headlands house, and she

loved to have a houseful of people with whom she could dote on with her hospitality (and great cooking!). When the children got older, she returned to nursing as an industrial nurse for Towmotor (she loved taking care of her “guys on the line”), and then at Inn Madison Health Care. She also volunteered for the Red Cross, Glenbeigh, and the WWJSL.

In 1995, Mom married again to Mr. Allen Joyce, and loved his family as well. They spent many happy years being “snowbirds”, living half of the year here, and then 6 months in Florida, where they enjoyed the warmer weather, antiques, boating, and the friendship of their neighbors. As they were in the Mentor area, they were highly active in the Baptist church there as well, being faithful and contributing members of the church.

After Allen’s passing in 2012, mom spent the remainder of her years in the Mentor area, her last years in assisted living. She dedicated her life to caring for others, and the spiritual gifts that she bestowed onto her family were beyond measure. No one ever left our mother’s presence without knowing that they were loved, appreciated, and respected. The family would also like to thank the staff of Vista Spring and the Hospice of the Western Reserve for the compassionate care they gave to her during her transition to her well-deserved peace and her everlasting life with the Lord.

Survivors include her children, Karen (Anthony) Podojil, Frederick (Beverly Austin) Andreas, and Patricia (Robert) Matsumoto; grandchildren, Bryan (Rachel) Podojil, Andrew Podojil, Christopher Podojil, Bruce Andreas, Kristin (Theresa Geiger) Driver and Joshua Driver; great grandchildren, Noah and Caleb; and her sister, Deborah (Keith) Achor. She is also survived by her sister-in-law, Carolynne Bobbitt; many cherished nieces and nephews; and her stepdaughters Michele (Steve) Brewer, Cynthia (James) Cardinal, Sue Holmes, Dolly (Robert) Schaefer, and Andrea (Dave) Tolson Sweeney.

She was preceded in death by her husband, Allen E. Joyce; son, Jonathan “Jon” Andreas; parents, Howard and Marie Bobbitt; sisters, Barbara (Marion) Hook and Lois (David) Hall and her brothers, James, David, Donald and Lee Bobbitt.

A funeral service to honor Jean’s life will be held at 12 noon Wednesday, March 12, 2025 at the Brunner Sanden Deitrick Funeral Home & Cremation Center, 8466 Mentor Ave., Mentor, OH 44060.

The family will receive friends from 10 a.m. until the time of the service on Wednesday, at the funeral home.

Interment will be in Mentor Cemetery.

In lieu of flowers, the family requests contributions be made to a charity of one’s choice.

Please offer condolences at www.brunners.com.

Cemetery Details

Mentor Cemetery

6881 Hopkins Rd.
Mentor, OH 44060

Previous Events

Visitation

MAR 12. 10:00 AM - 12:00 PM (ET)

Brunner Sanden Deitrick Funeral Home & Cremation Center
8466 Mentor Avenue
Mentor, OH 44060
(440) 255-3401
ajs@brunners.com
<https://www.brunners.com/>

Funeral Service

MAR 12. 12:00 PM (ET)

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Tribute Wall

PA

“ Jean was a classmate with me! Patricia Wall. So sorry to hear about your loss 🙏❤️

Patkingery - August 21, 2025 at 08:45 PM

SN

“ The Northeast Ohio Nurse Honor Guard wishes to express our sincere condolences to the family and friends of nurse, Jean A. Joyce, RN.



We thank her for her contribution to caring for others and representing the nursing profession with trust, dignity and respect. Your nurse colleagues will take over from here. Rest in peace.

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<https://northeastohionursehonorguard.com/>

Secretary @ NEONHG - March 26, 2025 at 11:14 AM

BQ

“ My heartfelt sympathy to the family. I will miss seeing Jean at Vista. She always had a kind word to say to me and was well loved by all so much so that they called her Grannie 😊. RIP my dear friend ❤️.
Brenda

Brenda Qadir - March 12, 2025 at 01:12 PM

AB

“ Fred, Bev, and Bruce, I am thinking of you and your family during this difficult time. With deepest sympathy, Amy Budney

Amy Budney - March 11, 2025 at 07:06 PM

MD

“ Hi Judge Andreas I am sorry that you lost your mom, I am praying for you and your family may God comfort at this sad time.

Minnie Dubois - March 11, 2025 at 01:51 PM

MR

“ Marie R. planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Jean A. Joyce.

Marie R. - March 11, 2025 at 12:02 PM

FF

“ From the (Hook Family) purchased the Gracious Lavender Basket for the family of Jean A. Joyce.



From the (Hook Family) - March 11, 2025 at 11:14 AM

JT

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Jan Thomas

11 hours ago

So many wonderful memories I have of Jean. I met her when I was 5 years old, she was my dearest friend's mother. On the first day of Kindergarten I remember walking home with Karen to her house and meeting the wonderful woman who was like a 2nd mom to me. I brought my children to meet the woman who had the same sense of humor as my family.

I remember cutting a few of my dad's Peace Roses and taking them to Jean, because she liked them. I also remember all the wisdom this loving woman passed on to Karen and I throughout our life. This beautiful woman will be missed by all who knew her.

Karen, Fred, & Pat, you were all wonderful kids to your dear mom, she loved all of you so very much. Dearest friend's Karen, Fred, & Pat, you made your dearest Mom very happy and proud. You were all great children for your mom, you all made her proud, I love you all and send you all the love you can hold, and all the hugs you can handle.

Jan Thomas - March 10, 2025 at 03:37 PM



“ *Emerald Garden Basket was purchased for the family of Jean A. Joyce.*



March 10, 2025 at 12:47 PM



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March 10, 2025 at 11:36 AM



“ *Brewer, Sweeney, Cardinal & Schaefer Fam planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Jean A. Joyce.*

Brewer, Sweeney, Cardinal & Schaefer Fam - March 09, 2025 at 02:40 PM



“ *Brewer, Sweeney, Cardinal & Schaefer Fam purchased the Enchanted Cottage for the family of Jean A. Joyce.*



Brewer, Sweeney, Cardinal & Schaefer Fam - March 09, 2025 at 02:40 PM



“ *Carolynne B. planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Jean A. Joyce.*

Carolynne B. - March 09, 2025 at 09:27 AM

CB

“ Carolynne B. purchased the Peaceful White Lilies Basket for the family of Jean A. Joyce.



Carolynne B. - March 09, 2025 at 09:27 AM

RT

“ I only had the chance to meet Jean a handful of times over the years. My first impression of her was how she positively radiated a truly genuine warmth and kindness; subsequent meetings served to reenforce that feeling.
With her passing our world seems a little less special.

Red Thomas - March 08, 2025 at 11:43 PM

PM

♥ Thanks Red.♥ Hugs to you and all of yours but especially Aggie.

Patti Matsumoto - March 10, 2025 at 02:32 PM

DA

“ Too many wonderful memories than I can post with my dear older sister, Jean.
I am grateful for her life and love she shared so willingly with others. She was an inspiration to me! Her legacy and love lives on in the fives of her family who share her characteristics of love and caring. She made the world a better place.
Jean I will miss your love, laughter and great sense of humor-until we hug again-Love, your "Little Sister Debbie"

Deborah Achor - March 08, 2025 at 11:56 AM

MB

“ Jean was a beautiful addition to our family. She made my dad oh so very happy and they certainly enjoyed their time together. She was loving person who will be missed by us all.

Steve & Michele, Nathan and Ken Brewer

Michele Brewer - March 08, 2025 at 11:03 AM