



## Jane Elizabeth "Janie" Swann

March 1, 1950 - August 30, 2018

Jane Elizabeth Schultz Swann, 68 of Leonardtown, Maryland, lost her battle with cancer on August 30, 2018. Born on March 1, 1950 in La Plata, Maryland, to Francis Jameson "Jimmie" Schultz and Elizabeth "Betty" Greer (Schultz). She is survived by her beloved husband, Robert B. Swann, Jr.; her step-children, Pamela Swann and Joseph Foster and his wife, Ryan; and grandchildren, Mackenzie and Jonathan.

Jane graduated in 1968 from Archbishop Neale School of La Plata and later helped coordinate class reunions. She attended Charles County Community College (College of Southern Maryland) and later served as one of its board members. She was a nurses' administrative assistant for many years at La Plata Hospital, which she enjoyed because she liked lifting the spirits of the patients.

Jane stepped in as managing owner of Farmers' Tobacco Auction Warehouse in Hughesville, Maryland after her father passed away. She had known many of the buyers and sellers most of her life and, like her father, had a good business sense.

Jane had a natural talent of making everyone feel special. She touched people's hearts and souls by having a bright smile, a nice compliment, and always a good story. Even when she was in great pain, she nurtured others

and never, ever complained.

Jane had many interests which made for good storytelling. Her love of local Maryland history provided many insightful talks with both young and old alike. She always said "Talk to your grandparents," encouraging people to learn about their own family history.

Jane loved the classics: classical music, opera, plays, books, and old movies. She appreciated the old ways of doing things: woodworking and antiques, hand painted art, hand carved decoys and antique farming tools and equipment.

Her beauty, a blend of glamour and Southern charm, made her a rare, one-of-a-kind woman. She lived life to its fullest and tried to brighten everyone's day. Her sense of humor and quick wit could always garner a hearty laugh.

And finally, her motto: "I would always rather be happy than dignified."  
(Charlotte Bronte).

Friends received on Thursday, September 13, 2018 from 10AM until time of Mass of Christian Burial at 11AM at St. Mary's Catholic Church, 13715 Notre Dame Place, Bryantown, Maryland 20617. Interment to follow in the church cemetery.

Memorial contributions in Jane's name are asked to Leonardtown Volunteer Rescue Squad, PO Box 299, Leonardtown, Maryland 20650.

# Previous Events

## Friends Received

SEP 13. 10:00 AM - 11:00 AM (ET)

St. Mary's Bryantown Catholic Church  
13715 Notre Dame Place  
Bryantown, MD 20617

## Mass of Christian Burial

SEP 13. 11:00 AM (ET)

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13715 Notre Dame Place  
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# Tribute Wall



“ *Jane Elizabeth "Janie" Swann*

October 08, 2023 at 10:45 PM



“ *Jane Elizabeth "Janie" Swann*

October 04, 2023 at 03:12 PM



“ *Bob & Family:  
You are in our thoughts and prayers.*

*Bobby & Maria Padgett*



**Bobby & Maria Padgett** - September 12, 2018 at 05:14 PM



“ *Beautiful Heart Bouquet was purchased for the  
family of Jane Elizabeth "Janie" Swann.*



September 11, 2018 at 03:55 PM



“ *Enduring Grace was purchased for the family of Jane Elizabeth "Janie" Swann.*



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September 11, 2018 at 01:51 PM



“ *Bob and Tammy Padgett purchased the Sweet Sincerity for the family of Jane Elizabeth "Janie" Swann.*



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**Bob and Tammy Padgett** - September 11, 2018 at 12:34 PM



“ *My sincere sympathy to the entire family. My late husband (Don Council) was a first cousin to Janie and he was very close to her. When we vacationed back in Maryland, Janie was always someone we would visit. The memories I hold include her contagious smile, laughter and generosity. She was special inside and out and I know she will be greatly missed. May she rest in peace! Betty Council*

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**Betty Council** - September 07, 2018 at 01:15 PM



“ *Full Heart was purchased for the family of Jane Elizabeth "Janie" Swann.*

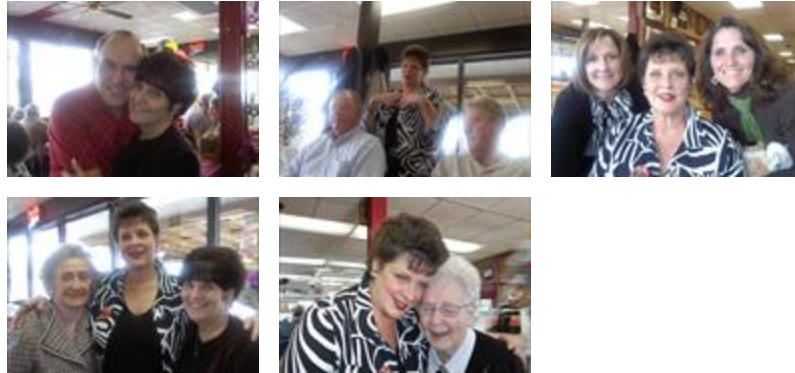


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September 06, 2018 at 02:37 PM

JS

“ 5 files added to the album *New Album Name*



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**Janie Street** - September 05, 2018 at 05:28 PM

CP

“ *“It is not length of life, but depth of life that matters.” – Ralph Waldo Emerson*

*Janie was the architect for so many of our wonderful family memories.*

*Rest In Peace dear friend.*

*Love, Gary, Carol, Alex and Andrew*

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**Carol Pashkevich** - September 05, 2018 at 10:10 AM

MT

“First met Janie Schultz in 1974 when H.A. and I went to a cocktail party hosted by mutual friends. An insecure bride, I was nervous when a stunning brunette seated on a low chair called out out “Hi, neighbor!” enthusiastically to H.A. Who was this gorgeous beauty? Then she stood, towering over H.A., and explained she had grown up across the road from his family’s farm.

“Hi, Neighbor” was a normal greeting to nearly everyone that Janie, an only child, got from her warm hospitable mom, Betty. From both her down-to-earth parents she learned to get along with people and help them. She had business sense and people sense and a generous heart. She and Betty and Bob Swann helped me stage H.A.’s 50th birthday party and later she and Bob provided me lots of assistance for H.A.’s funeral.

I’ve heard Janie suffered so much from her cancer yet she (and Bob) maintained positive attitudes in the past many months. Those attitudes were so reminiscent of their years of hilarious gags.

May she eternally be rewarded for all the good she did.  
Merle K. Turner (Condon)

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**MERLE K. TURNER** - September 04, 2018 at 09:21 PM

AB

“My deepest condolences Bob. I will always remember all the fun times we shared together. Jane's beautiful up beat personality. Her most giving soul to everyone she met. I will miss Jane beyond words. Hugs to all that knew her. Rest in Peace my dear friend.

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**Alison Beavan** - September 04, 2018 at 12:08 PM

JM

“ June Mckenzie sent a virtual gift in memory of  
Jane Elizabeth "Janie" Swann



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**june mckenzie** - September 01, 2018 at 07:16 PM

JM

*I'll miss you forever sweet  
cousin Jane.  
Love,  
Angel June  
( the name you gave me 4 years ago)*

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**june mckenzie** - September 01, 2018 at 07:22 PM

EA

*I will miss her whit and beautiful smile  
Evelyn Armentrout*

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**Evelyn Armentrout** - September 07, 2018 at 02:21 PM

JP

“ I remember Jane as a child laughing and splashing and cavorting in the water with me and all the other cousins down at the shore of Pop-Pop’s tobacco farm, on the Potomac. Pam and Peggy and Janet Kay and me and Doug and Mary Kay and Bobbie and Sherry and Kenny and everyone all together loving the water, each other, the Greer family, and Maryland. With watchful parents on picnic tables chatting and overseeing it all.

When Jane had children at her own farm, she likewise loved to see them cavorting in the water. I’m sure when she did so, she also saw us cousins all again in her memory, as well as she saw the new children, whom she loved. Likewise I am sure she saw our parents doing the same thing as us, at the same exact spot on Pop-Pop’s farm, many decades before. Betty, Hilda, Alton, Junior, Winnie, Agnes and everybody, likewise laughing and splashing and cavorting and loving. With hawk-eye parents on perhaps those same picnic tables. Only Patsy now has those actual memories, but Jane had them as well.

The last present I gave Jane was a history book about colonial life on the Potomac, called Robert Cole’s World, which amazingly enough, was based on the records of a farm in the 1600s directly across the water from her own farm. Every time Jane looked out from her deck, I believe she saw the spirits of Robert Cole’s children likewise laughing and splashing and cavorting.

We all know how deeply Jane loved Maryland and its history and the many generations of families that have passed through those magical farms on the water. She and her parents and her grandparents were as deeply rooted in Maryland soil and water as it is conceivable to be.

On a more personal note, I remember the Hughesville and Bel Alton fire department dances. She and I took each other there every week in late middle and early high school to laugh and dance together. We play acted at being a couple, back when both of us were deeply clueless.

John Padgett

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John F Padgett - September 01, 2018 at 01:30 PM

JM

*What a beautiful memory you have and thank you for sharing.*

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**June Willing McKenzie** - September 01, 2018 at 04:49 PM

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*My favorite time with Jane was when she had a kissing cousin's party on the water. I am her third cousin, and my mother Jean Greer was Roy Greer. She was always a beautiful person inside and out. She always made everyone laugh. She will be dearly missed by the Greer family and her friends.*

*Carla Creed*

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**Carla Creeden** - September 05, 2018 at 08:17 AM