



## Janice "Jan" LaVonne Qualley

November 15, 1941 - January 3, 2024

ADRIAN- Janice "Jan" LaVonne Qualley, 82, of Adrian, MI died on Wednesday evening, January 3, 2024 at Hickman Hospital in Adrian.

Jan was born on November 15, 1941 in Roseau, Minnesota, one of five children to Eskil and Irene (Wilebski) Sjoblom. Jan graduated from Karlstad High School in 1959 and went on to attend Concordia College in Moorhead, MN. While she was at college, Jan met a nice young man named Arlo who was a student at Moorhead State University. Jan and Arlo Qualley were quite smitten with one other and were united in marriage on September 8, 1962 at Salem Lutheran Church in Stephen, MN. They have spent the last 61 years together raising a family and creating many lasting memories.

Jan shared her time and talents with others in the community by volunteering at the First United Methodist Church where she helped with funeral dinners and was a member of the quilting committee. Her sewing and quilting skills were very impressive as all her children and grandchildren have a quilt of their own. Over the years, Jan sewed clothes for her children and her daughter's dolls. She had a natural green thumb and enjoyed spending time in her flower gardens and growing herbs. Jan's cooking and baking abilities were on full display for holiday pecan rolls, lemon meringue pies and everyone was lucky in the family to have their own special birthday dinner. Jan was a long-time member of the Adrian First United Methodist Church and belonged to the Adrian PEO. Jan was very modest and did not like the spotlight, yet her kindness and outgoing personality touched the lives of everyone around her

and she will be missed by many.

In addition to her husband, Arlo, Jan is survived by their children, Andy Qualley and Julie Qualley; grandchildren, Drew (Nadia) Qualley, Ryan Qualley, Kathryn Miller and Thomas Miller; her mother, Irene; and siblings, Earl (Sandy) Sjoblom, Lynn (Christy) Sjoblom and Lester (Jane) Sjoblom. She was preceded in death by her father, Eskil Sjoblom and brother, Ivan Sjoblom. A memorial visitation will take place on Wednesday, January 10, 2024 from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. at Wagley Funeral Home, Adrian; with a memorial service to follow at 1:00 p.m. Jan's cremains will be scattered at the Adrian FUMC memorial gardens following her service.

Memorial contributions may be made to the Adrian First United Methodist Church. Online condolences and memories may be shared at [www.WagleyFuneralHomes.com](http://www.WagleyFuneralHomes.com).

# Previous Events

## Memorial Visitation

JAN 10. 11:00 AM - 1:00 PM (ET)

Wagley Funeral Home (Adrian)  
1501 W. Maumee St.  
Adrian, MI 49221  
(517) 263-1400  
info@wagleyfuneralhome.com  
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## Memorial Service

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# Tribute Wall

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“ What a fine Christian lady you have been, Jan! With parental background as Jan Sjoblom in a pleasant small town in Minnesota how could she go wrong? Jan, you picked a great college that matched your Scandinavian upbringing, an extension of the spiritual formation you must have had in a Norwegian Church. (My sister Helen preceded you as a "Cobber" by a decade or so, where I would visit her.) I don't recall that Arlo went to MSU; what a great place to meet. I bet you courted walking by the nearby Scandinavian Stave Church, a memorable reminder of your roots in "the old country". (My obvious bias as one with virtually the same roots is pretty obvious.)..... It was a great privilege to have been your family pastor at Christ the Redeemer Lutheran Church right next door to FUMC, where we became fellow members, Helen and I often camped in a pew right behind you and would exchange a friendly greeting as we departed. I send my deepest condolences to Arlo and the rest of the family. My recently departed wife would have joined me in this greeting, as she also appreciated your sincere, quiet support of our ministry together. Have a beautiful forever! Sincerely, in Christ the true redeemer of us all, Pr. Rod Hokenson now of Kalamazoo. (And warm greetings to mutual friends)

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**Rod Hokenson** - January 09, 2024 at 02:38 PM

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“ Nicole Borst and family planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Janice "Jan" LaVonne Qualley.

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**Nicole Borst and family** - January 08, 2024 at 09:38 AM

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“ Nicole Borst and family purchased the Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum for the family of Janice "Jan" LaVonne Qualley.



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JH

“ John, Angie, Anna, Ben, & Jim Herbon planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Janice "Jan" LaVonne Qualley.

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**John, Angie, Anna, Ben, & Jim Herbon** - January 08, 2024 at 06:45 AM



“ Arrive in Style was purchased for the family of Janice "Jan" LaVonne Qualley.



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“ The Howard Ellingson Family planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Janice "Jan" LaVonne Qualley.

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**The Howard Ellingson Family** - January 07, 2024 at 12:59 PM



“ *Pink Tribute Spray was purchased for the family of Janice "Jan" LaVonne Qualley.*



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January 07, 2024 at 12:59 PM



“ *In 1997 I was so lucky to join this beautiful family, I married her brother Earl. I loved her so much! Someday we will meet again. Love you Jan! My heart and love goes out to this wonderful family!!*



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**Sandra Sjoblom** - January 07, 2024 at 10:56 AM



“ *Sandra Sjoblom lit a candle in memory of Janice "Jan" Qualley*



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**Sandra Sjoblom** - January 07, 2024 at 10:41 AM



“ *Peaceful White Lilies Basket was purchased for the family of Janice "Jan" LaVonne Qualley.*



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January 07, 2024 at 01:21 AM



“ *Enchanted Cottage was purchased for the family of Janice "Jan" LaVonne Qualley.*



January 06, 2024 at 11:17 AM



“ *Full Of Love Bouquet was purchased for the family of Janice "Jan" LaVonne Qualley.*



January 06, 2024 at 12:32 AM



“ *Emerald Garden Basket was purchased for the family of Janice "Jan" LaVonne Qualley.*



January 05, 2024 at 08:31 PM



“ *While vacationing in Arizona a few years ago , we met a very nice lady and her daughter. After chatting for a while, we found out she was Earl's sister. Small world. Our condolences to the family. Earl Wayne and Willie Drentlaw. ♥*

**Willie Drentlaw** - January 05, 2024 at 05:37 PM