



Jean F. Callahan

April 23, 1953 - July 23, 2014

Jean F. Callahan, loving and devoted wife, mother and grandma, passed away at Mercy Mount Shasta hospital surrounded by her family on July 23, 2014.

Jean was well loved by her family and many friends. She was born in Grants Pass, Oregon on April 23, 1953 to Elton and Velma Jefferson. In 1957, they moved from Oregon to their Miner Street home in Yreka. She attended Gold Street and Jackson Street schools and graduated from Yreka High School in 1971. She then married her high school sweetheart, Don Callahan, on December 1, 1972. Over the next 33 years they continued to make their home in Yreka, raising a son, Chris Callahan and a daughter, Deanne Callahan Chapman.

Jean worked at Scott Valley Bank in Yreka and later took a job as a shipping clerk with Sierra Pacific Industries. When the mill closed, she went to work for the Yreka Western Railroad before a long career in the Tax Collector/Treasurers Office at the Siskiyou County Courthouse. After she and Don retired, they sold their home and traveled in their RV for 7 years and also became volunteers with the Oregon State Parks. In order to live closer to their grandchildren, they bought a home and moved to Lake Shastina. They still enjoyed their volunteer work and continued to do so for several months out of the year.

Jean was preceded in death by her parents, Elton and Velma Jefferson, and her older sister, Patricia Jefferson McKown. She is survived by her husband,

Don Callahan, of Lake Shastina, son, Chris Callahan, of Grenada, daughter, Deanne Callahan Chapman, of Lake Shastina, twin sister, Joan Gavaldon, of Prescott, Arizona, sister, Kay Fay, of Yreka, brother, Bucky Jefferson, of Yreka, mother-in-law, Pat Callahan, of Yreka, 2 grandsons, 4 granddaughters and many nieces and nephews.

A graveside service will be held in her honor at 10 am on Wednesday, July 30, 2014, at Evergreen Cemetery in Yreka, California. Memorial donations may be made to Madrone Hospice, 255 Collier Circle, Yreka, California.

Tribute Wall

JB

“ Dear Don and Family, Ted and I have just learned of Jean's passing and we want you to know that you and your family are in our hearts and prayers. We will never forget Jean's kindness--or yours--when we bought your house. We had 9 good years there and thought of you often. We are so very sorry for your loss.

Janis Boster - August 12, 2014 at 12:00 AM

LP

“ Our love and prayers are with Jeans family. She was a very special lady and will be greatly missed by all who knew her. We truly enjoyed our time we spent with her at Harris Beach. She is now in Gods embrace. Much love, Larry and Judy Perkins

Larry and Judy Perkins - July 31, 2014 at 12:00 AM



“ Our love and prayers are with Jean's family. She was a very special lady and will be missed by all who knew her. We truly enjoyed the time we all spent together at Harris Beach. Love and hugs, Larry and Judy Perkins

July 31, 2014 at 12:00 AM

MA

“ I can not express how sorry I am for your loss. Jean was a part of our family and we loved her very much. She was a beautiful and lovely person and we are very sadden by her loss. Prayers to all the family and lots of love and hugs to everyone of you.

Marsha - July 30, 2014 at 12:00 AM

BS

“ We are so sorry to hear of your loss. Hold close to your heart the fond memories of her life. She was a terrific lady. Jean and I went to school together since grammar school. God Bless her and your family and know she is at peace. Deanne, Dewey sends his love also. Barbara Lipke Silvius and Dewey Robbins

Barbara Silvius - July 30, 2014 at 12:00 AM

SR

“ Don and family, We are so sorry to hear about Jean! We will keep you, Deanne and your family in our prayers. Though I didn't get to spend much time with Jean, I will always have nice memories of her!! Take care, Susan and Joe Roberson (Buz's sister)

Susan and Joe Roberson - July 29, 2014 at 12:00 AM



“ Don and family, Our thoughts go with you as you grieve your beloved Jean's passing. Brian, Connie and Sam Jefferson

July 29, 2014 at 12:00 AM

MC

“ Don, We are so sorry to hear of Jean's passing, may you and your family find comfort in fond memories of the times you shared.

Michelle Conner - July 28, 2014 at 12:00 AM

SK

“ Don and Family, Skip and I are so sorry for your loss. Although we had only met Jean a few times for her to have spent 33 years with you she had to have been very special. She will be missed and we are sure she will be waiting for you on the other side.

Skip - July 28, 2014 at 12:00 AM

SC

“ Dear Don, I'm so sorry Jean had to go. She will always be a positive part of my childhood memories. My hope is that you and your family will feel God's comfort and support, and that you know she is in paradise.

Stacy Clark - July 26, 2014 at 12:00 AM

RC

“ We are so sorry for your loss, Jean was delightful and fun, we will miss her. Randi, Stacy and Adam Clark

Ranette Clark - July 25, 2014 at 12:00 AM

JM

“ (from a friend of Deanne) Our Condolences are sent to your family. Your mom/wife/grandmother/sister and friend may have left this world but left a lasting memory in your hearts.

Judith Meyer - July 24, 2014 at 12:00 AM