



Janice "Jan" Marie Findley

December 21, 1954 - January 19, 2018

Janice "Jan" Marie Findley, 63, passed away on January 19, 2018 in Odessa, TX. Jan was diagnosed with breast cancer in January 2016. During her bout with cancer, her love, strength and sense of humor were a special witness to her character. Jan will live on forever in the hearts of everyone who was fortunate enough to know and love her.

Jan was born on December 21, 1954 in Midland, Texas to James "Burl" Notgrass and Delma "Janice" Peterson Notgrass. She had two children, Jessica Marie Findley Fink and Robert Andrew Findley II.

She graduated from Permian High School in 1973. Jan studied English and Literature at Odessa College and The University of Texas of the Permian Basin (UTPB). She graduated from UTPB in 1978 with a degree in Education. Jan worked for the Ector County Independent School District for 33 years as an elementary educator, with the last 25 years at Blanton Elementary School in Odessa. She retired in 2011.

Jan loved watching her son, Robert, run 5K races, watching Permian football, and attending track & field events. She will always be remembered for her deep abiding love for Robert, family and friends. Jan also had a passion for genealogy and journaling.

She was preceded in death by her parents.

She is survived by a daughter, Jessica Marie Findley Fink, and her husband, Aaron, of Pflugerville, TX; a son, Robert Andrew Findley, II, of Odessa, TX; a sister, Carolyn McConnell, and her husband, Craig, of Roseville, CA; two brothers, Nathan Notgrass, and his wife, Haley, of Farmington, NM, and Steve Notgrass and his wife, Terri, of Odessa, TX; and Burl's wife, Laura Baker Notgrass, of Stanton, TX; five nieces, two nephews and one great niece due in June.

Pastor Clydel Chapman and the Northside Baptist Church have been a tremendous blessing to Jan and the entire Notgrass family. The family would also like to express their heartfelt gratitude to Jan's caregivers at Crossland Care and Hospice.

The family will receive friends at 2:00 PM Saturday, February 10, 2018, at Northside Baptist Church, 100 W. 50th Street, Odessa, Texas. A celebration of her life will take place at 3:00 PM on Saturday at Northside Baptist Church.

In lieu of flowers, contributions may be made to METAvivor Research and Support Inc. The online donation form can be found at www.metavivor.org. You can also mail a check to METAvivor, 1783 Forest Drive #184, Annapolis, MD 21401.

Services entrusted to American Heritage Funeral Home, Midland, Texas.

Previous Events

Memorial Service

FEB 10. 3:00 PM (CT)

Northside Baptist Church
100 W. 50th Street
Odessa, TX 79762

Visitation

FEB 10. 2:00 PM (CT)

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Tribute Wall

NK

“ I am happy that Jan doesn't have to suffer anymore, but I know she would have stayed on this earth longer if she could have, to keep taking care of Robert. A mother's love never dies, and I know he will always feel that. That was a priceless gift she gave to him. Jan was a spunky woman, who had so many challenges in her life, but she was strong and courageous until the end. I won't ever forget her. Prayers for Jan's family, especially Robert.



Nancy Key - January 27, 2018 at 03:27 PM

JM

“ Jan was a sweet and loving woman who gave her heart to all. She will be greatly missed. Prayers for her family.

Jesse and Janice Moore - January 26, 2018 at 06:48 PM

SP

“ I went to school with Jan. She also lived a few blocks away , so we would hangout occasionally. I remember how sweet and kind her mom was . Jan was sweet and funny and always a happy attitude. When I recently visited with her I most remember how determined she was to keep things in control and how much she loved her family. She never stopped supporting her son even when she was weak. Prayers for him and her family. Truly will miss reading her positive stories.

Sandy (Ford) Patrick

sandra patrick - January 26, 2018 at 06:40 PM

BM

Jan was an inspiration. I was a young teenager when my second cousin was born, and I thought she was the cutest baby I ever saw. She kept in touch with my dad and mom as long as they lived, and my sister and me as long as she herself lived. We received picture Christmas cards with long handwritten notes about her life and her children's lives. She loved all of her family and friends very much. She loved life. She made a strong impression in this world, and will be greatly missed. My love and prayers to her family.

Bonnie Miller - January 27, 2018 at 12:58 AM

RD

“*Jan, what a wonderful time in high school with TriHiY! Laughing so hard trying to get money earned for trips! Enjoyed our friendship always, what a treasure you were here and one for all up there!*”

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RD

March on Jan!

radean prichard dobscha - January 26, 2018 at 01:13 PM

CD

Jan was a beautiful, kind person. As a metssister I have appreciated her quiet strength and devotion to her son despite her own failing health. She will be missed.

Carolyn Das - January 26, 2018 at 10:51 PM