



Janet Marie Diaz

May 12, 1946 - January 17, 2025

Janet Marie Diaz, 78, of Hot Springs passed away exactly 24 years to the date of her mother's passing, on January 17, 2025. She was born on Mother's Day, May 12, 1946 in Peru, IL to the late George and Catherine Smith.

Janet was a member of St. John the Baptist Catholic Church where she enjoyed serving and attending Walking With Purpose classes. She was a Registered Nurse for 45 years, loved playing Uno and eating Hardees breakfast. She was always the life of the party, and will be missed by many.

She is preceded in death by her parents and sisters; Kathryn Lijewski and Marion Spitzmiller.

Survivors include her daughter; Michele Diaz, brother; George (Cathy) Smith, sister; Ginny (Ron) Mrowicki, and many nieces and nephews.

Visitation will be Wednesday from 4:00 PM to 6:00 PM at Hot Springs Funeral Home. A Funeral Mass will be held at St. Mary of the Springs Catholic Church, Thursday at 1:30 PM

Pallbearers include Russell Burton, Andrew Lorigan, Cole Lorigan, and Ronnie Dunlap.

The family would like to say a special thank you to Dr. Eric Bowen.

Previous Events

Visitation

JAN **22**. 4:00 PM - 6:00 PM (CT)

Hot Springs Funeral Home
1017 Central Avenue
Hot Springs, AR 71901
(501) 623-8820
hotspringsfh@sbcglobal.net
<https://hotspringsfh.com/>

Funeral Mass

JAN **23**. 1:30 PM - 2:30 PM (CT)

St. Mary of the Springs Catholic Church
100 Central Ave.
Hot Springs, AR 71901

Tribute Wall

JL

“ I was introduced to Janet by Sue Wood because she required a Realtor. We habitually visited over brunch at IHop, and we would talk about life, relationships, church, and her career in the medical field. She had many captivating stories and consistently inquired about my girlfriend to see how she was doing. Her company was a blessing, and I always looked forward to seeing her. Working with her and her niece, Cathie Burton, was a pleasure—my condolences to her family, especially Michelle. There was no doubt in my mind that Janet was a devout Christian. May God's perpetual light always shine upon her! -Jamie Lockwood

Jamie Lockwood - January 22, 2025 at 10:36 PM

DI

“ I am so sad to hear of Janet's passing. We were friends in High School with our beautiful friend, Sandra Passini Stanard. She was a darling blonde & a lot of fun. I have often asked about her. Deepest sympathy to her family .

Diane - January 22, 2025 at 02:21 PM

JU

“ Janet was a great longtime friend to my mother. They will be together in heaven! 🙏



Julie - January 22, 2025 at 12:52 PM

JW

“ Rest in peace Smitty, We had a lot of good times together thanks for the wonderful memories. Janice

Janice Washkowiak - January 22, 2025 at 11:33 AM

SW

Rest in peace janice- a very sweet, loving lady.

sue wood - January 22, 2025 at 09:36 PM

JA

“ Never had so much fun with my Auntie and all of our trips together. We were inseparable and I know she is looking down at us with that beautiful smile of hers. I love you so much and am so glad to have you as our angel now. Watch over my mama for us...love Janelle and Ginny

Janelle - January 22, 2025 at 11:29 AM

KO

“ I am truly grateful to have had the opportunity to know Janet. I am sending my love, blessings, and prayers to her family and friends. I know she was a strong woman of faith and is dancing above now with a warm smile, Diet Coke, and her favorite chips. She will always be loved and never forgotten.

keith orie - January 22, 2025 at 02:20 AM

RO

“ What a good and generous lady. Will miss and remember all the fun we had in Branson. God bless her.

Ron - January 21, 2025 at 04:03 PM



“ *I enjoyed the good fortune of spending a weekend with Janet and a dear friend. Janet's wit and energy was an absolute delight. I will always cherish that memory.*

Fleeta Fore - January 21, 2025 at 10:03 AM

MF

“ *Janet and I became friends several years ago. We sat together a lot at daily mass and then would go to Burger King for coffee with others after mass and just visit. We sometimes went shopping together too. I got to know her and considered her a good friend and I will miss her but I know she loved God and He loved her and now she is with Him.*

Mary Anne Fiedler - January 20, 2025 at 05:45 PM

MS

“ *My friend, faithful Adoration companion. Rest in peace now dear Janet.*

Mary Stryjewski - January 20, 2025 at 01:34 PM

PW

“ *Janet was an excellent nurse. She took care of her patients like they were a family member. Janet was a wonderful person and loved her family tremendously.*

Pamela Wood - January 19, 2025 at 05:03 PM