



Janis Sue (Waynick) Swan

July 8, 1949 - December 25, 2025

Janis Sue (Waynick) Swan died on Thursday, December 25, 2025, (Christmas Day) at Mercy Hospital in Joplin, Missouri. She was born on July 8, 1949, to Andrew Bert Waynick and Wanda Louise (Byrd) Waynick at McCune Brooks Hospital in Carthage, Missouri. Janis graduated from Carthage High School in 1967 and from Missouri Southern State University in 1972 with a degree in Education. She taught at Granby grade school for thirty years. On February 23, 2001, Janis married Chester Swan at the Carthage Courthouse; he passed away on February 28, 2022. Janis was an avid sports fan, above all the St. Louis Cardinals and the Kansas City Chiefs.

Janis is survived by two brothers, Mike Waynick of Carthage, Missouri, and Gary Waynick (Janis) of Maquoketa, Iowa; two nephews, Andrew Waynick (Hayley) of Leawood, Kansas, and Russell Waynick (Rita) of Carthage, Missouri; a niece, Kristie Wagner (Chris) of Milwaukee, Wisconsin; five great nephews, Caleb Waynick, Franklin Waynick, Dean Waynick, Robbie Wagner, and Ronnie Wagner; and several cousins and family.

Janis was preceded in death by her parents and sister-in-law, Rayma Waynick.

Holy Rosary will be held for Janis at 12:00 p.m. Saturday, January 3, 2026, at Ulmer Funeral Home in Carthage, Missouri. A memorial visitation will follow from 1:00 to 2:00 p.m.

All those in attendance are invited to the family meal following services at the Ulmer Funeral Home Community Room.

Contributions may be made to the Carthage Humane Society in care of Ulmer Funeral Home.

Online contributions may be made at www.ulmerfh.com.

Arrangements are under the care and direction of Ulmer Funeral Home.

Previous Events

Holy Rosary

JAN 3. 12:00 PM (CT)

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Tribute Wall

AN

“ She was my 4th grade teacher. I was scared to have her because the year before I could hear her yelling at her class. Turns out they were just a rough class. She quickly became one of my favorite teachers. My grandpa passed away when I was in her class. I'll never forget the hugs she gave me, and the compassion she showed me. She has always held a special place in my heart.

Amanda Neely - December 31, 2025 at 01:42 PM

KA

“ Jan and I were teaching partners at East Newton/Granby School. We had so much fun working together. She didn't hesitate to share all of her teaching “secrets” with me. We became great friends. My life was blessed by Jan and I will truly miss her.

Kathy Arnold - December 30, 2025 at 02:46 PM

SH

“ Jan and I shared so many memories, some were funny, some great and of course some sad! We shared most of our lives happenings together! I will miss her so much! She was very loved by all!

Sue Haase - December 29, 2025 at 09:59 PM

BS

“ Prayers for the family.
She was a very sweet person.



Brenda Stark Seckman - December 29, 2025 at 08:46 PM

RB

“ Jan was an awesome lady, she taught at Granby school and we thought she was one of the coolest teachers! She attended one of our reunions a few years ago and she and Sue Haase together I think last spring, she sure is gonna be missed, ❤️🙏🙏🙏

Rob Burress - December 29, 2025 at 05:59 PM

GS

A great friend that will be missed. Prayers & thoughts for the family.

Gary & Jera Swartz - December 30, 2025 at 10:24 AM