



Jean L. Brinkman

January 3, 1950 - November 7, 2017

Jean Lee (Swenson) Brinkman was born to Lee and June Swenson in Minnesota on January 3, 1950. She attended St. Cloud State College. December 18, 1971, she married Jeff Brinkman. In May of 1972 they moved to Florida where she worked for AETNA Insurance for 5 years. After Jeff started his own construction company she was involved with the Homeowners Association, where she later became the President of the Home Builders Auxiliary. For over 30 years she was a member of Christ the King Lutheran Church where she was very active in various committees including running the Sunday school, and creating banners for the sanctuary.

On July 22, 1985 she was blessed with daughter Rachel Jean.

Along with her work for the church she was a very active volunteer at the American Legion, Post 63, all while supporting Jeff by handling the bookkeeping and clerical works in the office. Jean was a lover of arts and crafts, and was very creative in both the crafting room and the kitchen.

In November of 2011 she welcomed her son-in-law Joshua Crowe, and soon after her first grandchild, Aslynn Lee in May of 2013, followed by Logan Randall in October of 2015. One of Jean's greatest loves was the family cabin in Minnesota, where she could always be found at the end of the dock, fishing pole in hand. Jean was a strong woman with enough room in her heart to fit

anyone that walked into her life. She had an amazing sense of humor, and a knack for comforting.

She was preceded in death by her parents Lee and June Swenson, her in-law's Arnie and Rita Brinkman, her sister Julee Immerfall, and brother-in-law Dick Immerfall.

She is survived by her husband Jeffery Brinkman, daughter Rachel Brinkman Crowe (Josh), grandchildren Aslynn and Logan, her niece Nola Immerfall Dickhausen (Dan), her nephew Aaron Immerfall (Darcy), along with many other in-laws, nieces, nephews, and friends.

In lieu of flowers Jean's family is asking for donations to the Pulmonary Hypertension Association.

Jean is much loved and will be missed by many, but she will never be forgotten.

Phassociation.org/donate/

Previous Events

Memorial Service

NOV 17. 2:00 PM (ET)

Christ the King Lutheran Church
4962 South Apopka Vineland Road
Orlando, FL 32819

Tribute Wall

CR

“ Hello Jeff.
I'm CeCe Ritter, a friend of Jean from elementary school through roommates at St. Cloud State. Linda Steinworth and I spent a lot of time having sleep overs at Jeans home during High School. Her parents always welcomed us. Jean was filled with great fun and laughter. Linda, Jean and I shared an apartment together in New Brighton post college and had many wonderful times. All three of us spent time at the family cabin and loved the rain on the tin roof and sunbathing until we were burnt. I last got together with Jean at our 2008 Class Reunion. We caught up with our lives and talked about how thrilled we were to have a child and wonderful husbands. I was hoping to see Jean again at our 50th Reunion. I will miss her. Sorry for your loss and my condolences to you and your family.
CeCe Ritter

CeCe Ritter - August 09, 2018 at 10:33 PM

LS

“ Hi Jeff, I am a childhood friend of Jean's and was in your wedding, Linda Witzmann, now Steinworth. As I was looking at those attending our 50 year class reunion I thought of Jean and decided to look her up. I am so sorry for your loss. I really enjoyed her cousin's photos of you and Jean in in the comments below. You guys still look the same. Rachel I am so sorry you lost your mom. I met Jean in the ninth grade. We lived together in our first apartment with Cece Ritter. Fun days decorating our first apartment. Cece and I spent time at their cabin also. I also very much remember that cabin and wondered if she continued to visit the cabin. I picture Jean with this laugh and smile, really laughing hard. Take care of each other. My sympathies to both of you with such fond memories of Jean. I have a FB if you want to message me under Linda Steinworth. I do hope you get notice of this message.

Linda Steinworth - August 06, 2018 at 09:04 AM

JW

“ We were just heartbroken to hear of Jean's passing. Our deepest condolences to Jeff, Rachael and the entire family. May her sweet spirit and kind heart live on through those who knew and loved her. She will be deeply missed, God's blessings of comfort and assurance during this very difficult time. John and Kyle Warwick

John and Kyle Warwick - November 16, 2017 at 06:42 AM

KE

“ Our deepest condolences to John, Jamie and the entire Brinkman family.

Our thoughts and prayers are with all of you during this very difficult time.

Kristi Ellis' Ashley Furniture Team



Kristi Ellis - November 14, 2017 at 11:09 AM

DW

“ *Much love and sympathy to Jeff and Rachel. Jean and I met in the early 1970's at Aetna Life and Casualty where we worked with Lila Padgett, Pat Banks, among others. We all became friends and supportive of each other through good and bad experiences. In fact, Jean and Jeff invited me to get married at their house! They decorated beautifully, provided all the refreshments and were perfect hosts! Unfortunately the marriage only lasted 3 years but I will always remember the kindness and care they put into my rather impromptu wedding.*

Denise (Chamberlain) Ward - November 11, 2017 at 02:22 PM

SO

Please accept my condolences. I worked with Jean at Aetna until the office closed. In 1980 we met with other co-workers and they saw I was pregnant with my first daughter. She had a baby shower in her home with Pat, Lila & Shirley for me. She was very kind and good-hearted.

Sheri O'Brien - November 13, 2017 at 11:43 PM

DT

“ Jean was my only cousin so close to my age. I envied her because she was tall, blond, and one year older. We planned a trip to Florida to see June but she passed away before we got there. I had not seen Jean in 30 years so I was a little nervous. She and Jeff could not have been better hosts. We really enjoyed ourselves. I was surprised by how much she reminded me of her mom. We laughed and laughed. It was a wonderful memory for me.



Dorie Thompson - November 10, 2017 at 04:55 PM

DT

“ Jean was my only cousin that was close to my age. I always was envious of the fact that she was tall, blond, and sophisticated, We really enjoyed our visit with Jean and Jeff in 2004. We had planned a trip so we could see June again. She passed away before we could see her. I was amazed at how much Jean reminded me of her mom. Since we had not seen each other in 30 years I was a little nervous but we ended up having a wonderful time.



Dorie Thompson - November 10, 2017 at 04:28 PM