

Life Is Like A Train

Life is like a journey on a train... at birth we boarded the train and met our parents, and we believe they will always travel by our side. However, at some station our parents will step down from the train,. As time goes by, other people will board the train; and they will be significant i.e. our siblings, friends, children, and even the love of our life.

Many will step down and leave a permanent vacuum. Some will move to another car for awhile and come back. Others will go so unnoticed we don't realize they left their seats!

This train ride will be full of joy, sorrow, fantasy, expectations, hurts, hellos, goodbyes, and farewells.

Success consists of having a good relationship with all passengers...requiring that we give the best of ourselves because we are all on this ride together.

The mystery to everyone is: We do not know at which station we ourselves will step down. So, we must live in the best way - love, forgive, and offer the best of who we are, including our seat if necessary.

It's important because when the time comes for us to step down and leave our seat empty - - we should leave behind beautiful memories for those who will continue to travel on the train of life without us.

I wish you a joyful journey for the coming years on your train of life. Reap success, give lots of love and be happy.

More importantly, be thankful for the journey!

Lastly, I thank you for being one of the passengers on my train!



Celebrating the life of

JO ANN RADEBAUGH

MEMORIAL SERVICE

West Funeral Home Chapel West Fargo, North Dakota Wednesday, December 27, 2017 - 10 a.m.

CLERGY

Rev. Mary Jo Holtey First Presbyterian Church - Fargo, ND

Music

Andrea Peterson, soloist
"Green Green Grass Of Home" "The Lord's Prayer"
Kevin Gross, pianist
CD SELECTIONS

"The Wind Beneath My Wings" "Barefoot Days"

HONORARY PALLBEARERS

Friday Night Club
Jean & Allen Anderson
Jo & Con Gowenlock
Barb & Royal Howard
Grandin Friends
Dave & Carolyn Blaser

INTERMENT

Grandin Cemetery

Grandin, ND

The family wishes to express their appreciation for your kindness and support during this difficult time.

Please join them for fellowship immediately following the service.

JO ANN RADEBAUGH

Remembering the life of ...

Jo Ann Radebaugh passed away December 22, 2017 at the age of 81 under Hospice care at Eventide Fargo and surrounded by her loving family.

Jo Ann Elliott was born July 2, 1936, the first-born of John and Evelyn Elliott. She grew up in Grandin, ND and graduated from high school there in 1954. Jo met the love her life, C. Wayne Radebaugh in grade school and they married on October 30, 1954. They have been partners ever since, alternating the role of caregiver between them for over 63 years.

Besides being the strong wife of a farmer and a proud mom, Jo was active in Grandin Presbyterian Church, the school board, and served as the elected Mayor of Grandin. Once all three kids were in school, she went to work as a self-taught bookkeeper. Most notably, she started her long bookkeeping career at Grandin Manufacturing and eventually retired from Harley-Davidson of Fargo.

Jo and Wayne moved to West Fargo, ND in 1998, where they enjoyed travel, Munson Lake time with family and friends, and retirement.

Jo is survived by her husband, Wayne, Fargo; their children: Billie Jo Hayes (Mark), Harwood, ND; Rebecca Barker (Greg), West Fargo, ND; David Radebaugh (Emily Shorty), Fargo, ND. She is also survived by six grandchildren: Andrew Barker (Meagan), Detroit Lakes, MN; Jennifer Boub (Michael), West Fargo, ND; Shannon Hayes, Minneapolis, MN; Mallory Hayes, Minneapolis, MN; Elliott Radebaugh, Fargo, ND; Connor Radebaugh, Fargo, ND; five great-grandchildren: Dillon and Preslee Barker; Jack, Caroline, and Estley Boub; her brother Jim Elliott (Donna); her sister Jan Elliott (Dave Parks); and many nieces, nephews, and friends.

Jo is preceded in death by her parents, John and Evelyn Elliott, her brother Johnny, her sister Jean Anderson, her parents-in-law, Greer and Esther Radebaugh, her sister-in-law Jean Kalindi Radebaugh, and her brothers-in-law Allen Anderson and John Gowenlock.

If you wish to honor Jo, please send a donation to The Michael J. Fox Foundation for Parkinson's Research (https://www.michaeljfox.org/get-involved/donation2.php) or Hospice of the Red River Valley (https://www.hrrv.org/giving/memorial-and-tribute-gifts/).

Rest in peace, our strong wife, mom, grandma, and role model. We love you and miss you.

