



Janet Cornish Wartman

September 19, 1948 - February 4, 2026

Janet Cornish Wartman. 9/19/48 to 2/4/2026. Preceded by father and mother Paul and Louise Cornish and sister JoAnn (Ron) Gerwig. Survived by sister Joyce (Gary) Quay, daughter Megan Dowdell, aunt Alice Andrews, many cousins including Susie Spessard, Linda Miller and Chuck Andrews, and close friend since the 3rd grade Sarah Smith.

Janet graduated from Olentangy High School, Otterbein University and Kent State University. She was a public school teacher and librarian in West Virginia and Ohio for 37 years. In her retirement, she was a member of the Powell Liberty Historical Society, and volunteered at the Stratford Ecological Center, and Columbus Zoo. Her hobbies included cooking, camping, and gardening. She especially enjoyed taking care of her five acre property where she grew up.

A memorial for close friends and family will be held at a later date. In lieu of flowers please donate to the Powell Liberty Historical Society at P.O. Box 385 Powell, OH 43065

Tribute Wall

SP

“ It is so hard to say goodbye to my good friend and neighbor. She was a big part of my work life and my life growing up. My life will never be the same without her. I loved her as a friend and neighbor. She loved Powell very much . She made her presence know in and about Powell . My life and the life of my family will never be the same.

Shayne Pendleton - May 13 at 06:37 AM



“ Among her other interests Janet was active with the Powell Liberty Historical Society and preserving the Andrew's heritage in Powell. In lieu of flowers, I'm sure the family would appreciate any donations to:

*The Powell Liberty Historical Society
P.O. Box 385
Powell, OH 43065*

Gary Quay - February 08 at 10:37 PM

SS

“ I can't believe you are off on another adventure. You were always ready to help. You were always generous, taking time to help us find something that might help us out. You shared your time with us when we needed it. Time with you is something we wish we had more of. We will miss so much. Until we meet again. Your cousin, Susie (Andrews) and Ron Spessard

Susie Andrews Spessard - February 07 at 11:24 AM

GH

“ *My sincere condolences to Janet's family. Joyce i am so sorry to hear of your sister's passing. Your family is in my prayers.*

Georgian Hazelwood - February 06 at 06:01 PM

KT

“ *It's always hard to lose someone . I wish I had know that she was helping out at the zoo....so close to my house and could have and should had lunch. Life is so so short. Please accept my condolences. Katie McNamara Terry*

katie terry - February 06 at 05:31 PM

WC

“ *She had real intellectual gifts. She was a wonderful friend in high school.*

Wes Cosand - February 06 at 05:29 PM

SC

“ *I knew Janet through Joyce who was my classmate in. middle and high school. I went to Hyatts elementary but knew the family. So sorry for your loss. Sue Collins*

Sue Collins - February 06 at 02:55 PM

JH

“ *The last time Mike and I were able to visit with Janet was at Aunt Alice's 100th birthday party. We all were sharing our knee and joint replacements. Had alot of memories at the house in Powell especially of remodel and painting that Janet was doing at the time. Always remember the reunions at Susie and Ron's. Prayers for all. Mike and Jan*

Jan Herbert - February 06 at 02:07 PM

TG

Jan was so much fun to be with and had a ready, cheerful laugh. At Otterbein College we did our student teaching together at Beck St. Elementary and later we were in Sierra Leone together for a 3-month college program. Jan was my roommate there, and was a true friend, willing to give of her time, energy, and knowledge. When my suitcase needed repaired in Amsterdam on New Year's Eve on our way to Sierra Leone, she traipsed around town in the dark with me to and from the repair shop. She was a true friend, indeed! I'm glad to know that some day I will see her again.

Trish Garrett - March 14 at 09:34 PM