



JoAnn M. Meinen

May 28, 1934 - May 28, 2025

JoAnn Meinen (nee Belschner), born May 28, 1934, was called home to spend eternity with her Lord and Savior Jesus Christ...on her 91st birthday. She spent her last day on earth showered with loving messages and surrounded by her family. Thank you all for that!

Beloved wife of Ronald Meinen for over 67 years, loving mother of their four children, Colleen Gloceri (Bob), Ronald Meinen (Gene), Robb Meinen (Tawnya) and Gary Meinen (Kimberlee). Fun and encouraging Granny to Jason Yosinski, Kati Love (Trevor), Shari O'Brien (Jim), Jennifer Jones (Cal), Manny Meinen, Mahala Meinen, and Jamie Gloceri. Enthusiastic great-grandma Gigi to Emery, Oliver, Annie & Elsie Love, and Madison & Mackenzie Delus.

JoAnn was the youngest child of Josephine and Homer Belschner; "Sis" to late siblings Betty, Bill, Ron and Don; beloved by sisters-in-law Lois, Johanna & Betty, nieces, nephews, cousins, and dear friends.

She spent her childhood in Rosedale and graduated from Penn Hills/Seneca High. During her married years the family lived in Verona, PA, followed by 60 years in the home she and her husband built in Plum Borough.

She richly enjoyed family, friends, stage plays, musicals, music, dancing,

reading, decorating, crafts, shopping, singing cute songs, playing games, card club, countless hands of Pinochle, and vacation adventures.

Described by many as a beautiful person and a shining example of being gentle, encouraging, caring, giving, kind, and supportive ... love shined through her. She was a wonderful host and key helper in many gatherings where sweet memories were built, adding fun and laughter, and had a wonderful sense of humor. She was intelligent and found joy in learning. Many benefited from her valuable life lessons.

She had a strong work ethic and loved working. She met her husband while both worked at General Motors. She raised her children as a stay-at-home Mom, then re-entered the workforce and retired as a Business Office Manager.

A devoted Christian, JoAnn enjoyed church, Bible studies, Women of Faith conferences, and the Holy Rosary Society. Gifted with a serving heart, she volunteered for decades at St John the Baptist Catholic Church in Plum. She served as a Lector, and on many ministries including Welcome, Rectory, Eucharistic, and Bereavement.

A woman to be admired.

In honor of our dear loved one, the family suggests donations to Father Bartley Angel Fund at St. John the Baptist Church, 444 Holy Family Way, Plum, PA 15239.

Family and friends will gather for a Funeral Mass at St. John the Baptist Church in Plum on Wednesday, June 4, 2025 at 10:30AM, followed by a short service at Plum Creek Cemetery Chapel, then a Celebration of Life luncheon with family and friends - please bring your memories to share with all!

Professional services entrusted to Thomas M. Smith Funeral Home &
Crematory Ltd; 930 Center Avenue Blawnox, PA, 15238; www.thomasmsmithfuneralhome.com.

Previous Events

Mass

JUN 4. 10:30 AM - 11:30 AM (ET)

St. John the Baptist Catholic Church
444 Saint John Street
Pittsburgh, PA 15239

Chapel Service

JUN 4. 11:45 AM (ET)

Plum Creek Cemetery
Pittsburgh, PA 15239

Tribute Wall

PP

“ *To the Meinen's:*

My second attempt.

There is one word to describe Joann and that is lovely. Joann was a naturally sweet person. That is an old-fashioned word that is at the heart and soul of Joann.

In the 30 plus years that we have been part of the family, Joann's kind and loving ways were always welcome. Her quick smile, sharp wit and amazing ability at cards made her fun to be around. She was the very best co-grandma that we could ever ask for.

We see her love and sweetness in each of her children (Pap's too of course) and do feel blessed to have been able to share the time we did.

Love to you all, and to Joann's memory.

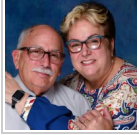
Patricia Payne - June 05, 2025 at 11:39 AM

JP

“ *Jonas and Kate Payne purchased the Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum for the family of JoAnn M. Meinen.*



Jonas and Kate Payne - June 01, 2025 at 11:05 AM



“ JoAnn was such a special lady. She was in our Bible Study group and she was so wise. We were so honored to have known her and been friends with her. She was always just glowing with Jesus’ love and compassion. I know in my heart that as Jesus greets her up in heaven he is saying “well done good and faithful servant”. I love you so much, Joanne, and will miss you and your beautiful face here on earth. But I know up in heaven, you are healed and you’re not in pain anymore. I look forward to seeing you and giving you a hug again. ❤️

Jan Lenzi - May 31, 2025 at 02:59 PM

CG

Jan, I love your heart. Thank you for your sweet encouragement to my mom over the months. ☐

Colleen Gloceri - May 31, 2025 at 04:22 PM

GK

A number of the family are gathered together and just read your kind heartfelt words. Thank you! Thank you for pouring out your love and encouragement on her. She really enjoyed and loved you. We too lean on the Jesus’ promises and we are so thankful for Him... the difference maker. ❤️❤️. Gary and Kimberlee

Gary and Kimberlee - May 31, 2025 at 09:24 PM

BC

“ I know JoAnn from different faith groups at St John the Baptist Church. She was an outstanding gentle and exceedingly generous friend. One year, when she won the Christmas raffle, she called and wanted to know how many we were expecting for Christmas dinner. She then used some of her "winnings" to buy us a prime rib roast. Ever since that year, we have continued to have prime rib for Christmas dinner and have never failed to remember JoAnn as we blessed the meal. I will miss her. Love, Beverly Coto

Beverly Coto - May 31, 2025 at 11:40 AM

CG

Beverly, you were my third-grade teacher, and my favorite teacher ever! Years later you & Mom were in faith groups together. It was fun to learn that you two were sweet friends. ☐☐☐

Colleen Gloceri - May 31, 2025 at 04:17 PM

GK

*Thank you so much for sharing this story....the family just really enjoyed this. We just said that every time we have prime rib we are going to fondly think of this story and you!
We also just learned your family is full of talent...you're the best teacher and your husband is a very talented singer in the choir! Sweet!*

Gary & Kimberlee - May 31, 2025 at 09:13 PM

EC

*I was in a small faith group with Joann years back and always loved seeing her. She was always so kind and encouraging. Gods love truly did shine thru her. She will be greatly missed
Ed Cotton*

Ed Cotton - June 01, 2025 at 03:00 PM

JP

I was saddened to see the passing of Joanne. She was an amazing person and loving Aunt!! May she rest in peace join her siblings with open arms.

Jacki Matey Pitsch - June 24, 2025 at 02:25 PM