



## Jann Gail Wolf

March 17, 1942 - October 25, 2017

Jann Gail Wolf passed away peacefully at home on the morning of Wednesday, October 25, 2017. She had been diagnosed with cancer in July 2017. She was 75 years old. She is survived by her husband: John Howard Wolf. She is also survived by three children: John M Wolf, Valorie Carmer, Amie Mueller and seven grandchildren – Taylor, Lauren, Alexander, Sabrina, John Thomas, Mara and Erin.

She was born Jann Gail Hartwig on March 17, 1942 in Rochester, New York. She married John, her husband of 56 years, on June 22, 1961. Jann completed her Bachelors of Arts, majoring in Spanish and minoring in German, at Central Michigan University in 1983. She then taught Spanish and German at Clare High School until she retired in 2002. She and John traveled extensively over her lifetime. They took several high school student groups throughout Europe and traveled many times in Central and South America.

Jann was a lifelong member of the Community of Christ church and attended Graceland College where she met John. Jann was active in school, community and church activities. She enjoyed volunteering on election days, has pastored the Mt. Pleasant branch of the Community of Christ church and volunteered at the Clare elementary school. The complete list of her civic, community and church activities is much too long to list here. She was a wonderfully socially conscious woman and deeply valued community member.

Through her work, church and home life she strove to treat all people with kindness and worked toward social justice and equality.

Jann is perhaps best known for her warm spirit and open door policy. All who knew her knew that her home was always open and a fantastic home cooked meal was always on the table, ready for all to partake while talking, laughing and fellowshiping together. To be in Jann's home was to know all people as welcome friends and to enjoy a slice of home baked bread.

In lieu of flowers, a donation to Jann's favorite charity is preferred: Heifer International. <https://www.heifer.org> No service is currently scheduled. Arrangements were handled by the Clare Chapel of Stephenson-Wyman Funeral Home. On-line condolences may be left at [www.stephenson-wyman.com](http://www.stephenson-wyman.com)

# Tribute Wall

DC

“ *The world is a better place, because of Jann's life, ministry, career and warm generosity. Jann, we look forward to seeing you again, when we cross over into eternal life in Christ.*

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**Dave and Penny Cushway** - November 10, 2017 at 12:17 PM

BH

“ *Jann and John have been clients of mine for years. I'm so happy to have gotten to know them and truly will miss her. My condolences to John, her children and grandchildren. She was a very sweet lady and I always enjoyed talkin with her. I pray for John and her family to find peace during this awful time.*

*Brenda Helman -Uptown Travel*

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**Brenda Helman** - November 03, 2017 at 06:26 PM

JA

“ *Fond memories of Jann and all she did for the community. She will be missed by all. Our prayers to the family at this difficult time.*

*The Sartor family*

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**Jane** - November 02, 2017 at 05:22 PM

TF

“ *Jan and her ever present smile had a huge and positive impact on her students and the community - she will be missed by all. May God comfort John and the family during this time.*

*The Terpening Family*

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**The Terpening Family** - October 31, 2017 at 03:08 PM

PM

“ I had your grandson T-Bone, when he was in first grade. You volunteered in my classroom that year and continued on every year since last year. I loved working with you and getting to know you and your family. Even after retirement you continued to touch so many children's lives. My little first graders, then kindergarteners and finally my second graders always looked forward to working with you. You spent hours with me helping set up my library and running to the Office Supply store for more stickers. You never took my money. I love you dearly Mrs. Jann Wolf and will NEVER FORGET the impact you had on my life and my little students. God Bless John and the rest of your family. Your smile will always be in my heart!!

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**Pam Mellish** - October 29, 2017 at 08:26 PM

JH

“ My friend who was always there for me and so many others along the way. Spending time with you for over fifty years was amazing. I will miss our talks and the strength you gave to me. You are my hero and a blessed woman who gave to her family many lessons on how to love and care for each other on a daily basis. May God hold you all in His arms now and in the days to come as you support each other in love. Love you all and am so blessed to have been close to your dad and mom since 1967.

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**Joanne Jackson Horton** - October 28, 2017 at 11:45 PM

BH

“ Senora Lobo opened her heart and her house to Clare students since the day they moved here. Huge impact on generations of students and their families. She will be missed.

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**Bruce Hales** - October 28, 2017 at 12:10 PM

DH

“ We offer our deepest Condolences to John and the Wolf Family! We all think Jan is one of the finest people we've ever known! God bless you all! Sending our love and prayers,

*Dick & Edith Hunt*

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**Dick and Edith Hunt** - October 28, 2017 at 10:15 AM

SD

“ Just a quick note today. Jan Wolf passed away yesterday. She had a short fight with cancer. I won't say she lost because everyday she beat it. She didn't let it steal her life and she was who she was all the way to the end. She knew it would win in the end but until the end she shared life with John, her companion of many years, and countless others who had been touched by her warmth and compassion. While I am broken hearted for her family, you just can't lose someone like Jan and not feel loss, I know that she was not afraid to die. She had such a fine relationship with her Savior that she was confident He would greet her with open arms. It is the living without her that, after all these years of living with her, seems to be a monumental task. She and John have given so much of themselves to so many for so long it is hard to imagine life with her gone. Nothing I can say will honor her like she deserves. "The Lord giveth and the Lord taketh away. Blessed be the name of the Lord." Sail on Jan. Hang on John, we love you.

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**Steve Daggett** - October 28, 2017 at 02:27 AM

RW

*I can't improve on these heartfelt words. Our blessings and wishes go with Jon and the family..*

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**Ron G Wood** - October 28, 2017 at 08:10 AM

WT

“ *Mrs Wolf was truly a remarkable lady! She will be missed.*

Wendy Teeter - October 28, 2017 at 01:53 AM

JU

“ *I'll always remember our years at Clare High School. Jann was always so caring of others and was always there when you needed her the most. She will be missed.*

*John, and your entire family are in the thoughts and prayers at this very difficult time.*

Judy - October 27, 2017 at 04:00 PM

PB

*We enjoyed the time Jann and you stayed in our home for a witnessing weekend in Caro. You were a delightful couple! We are so sorry for your loss John. Many prayers of comfort and peace.*

Phoebe and Jerry Bernhardt - October 27, 2017 at 08:49 PM

FW

“ *You will be missed. Bob still remembers your Spanish classes. He never took to Spanish but you told him he would always do well in the Spanish speaking world because of his sa.voir-faire. You were one of his favorites. My prayers are with the family*

Fran Wellman - October 27, 2017 at 03:00 PM



“ *Your family, each summer through my youth, provided so much spiritual guidance, at sometimes tremendous sacrifice - so that the church of tomorrow could be realized. You are one of the kindred souls that im proud to call family. You will be soo missed. Blessings to your entire family.*

Ron Wood - October 27, 2017 at 01:22 PM



“ *Oma, I am thankful for the time we spent together in May. Thank you for our love, encouragement and ministry. Wir lieben dich immer. Forever..*

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**Josie Gow-De Karvalho** - October 27, 2017 at 11:46 AM

CC

*Jann, you were such a dear friend and sister that I will never forget. My mind is swirling with dear memories of you - especially our conversations and your sweet laugh. May your family and loved ones be blessed at this difficult time.*

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**Carol Campbell** - October 27, 2017 at 05:05 PM

DK

*To the wolf family Jann was a wonderful teacher and neighbor I will miss our talks over the fence. God Bless you all!*

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**Don and Kathy** - October 27, 2017 at 08:29 PM

KH

*Words cannot express how sad we were to hear of Jann's passing. She was such an important person to us during our years at Clare High School. We are so glad that we took the time to visit her and John last month. She possessed such courage and dignity under difficult circumstances, God bless you Jann. You were a special person who was loved and will be missed by many. Our thoughts and prayers are with John and your family.*

*Chris and Kathy Howard*

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**Kathy Howard** - October 28, 2017 at 08:35 PM

KK

*Jann was such a positive influence on the Clare High School community! She was a role model for teachers and students alike. Our thoughts and prayers go out to John and the rest of the family.  
Kim and Ruth*

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**kim kolbe** - October 29, 2017 at 08:54 AM

JC

*Jann was one of the best the good Lord ever made. We will miss her and her positive influence on others. Helenan and Jerry Cavalieri*

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**Jerry Cavaliei** - October 29, 2017 at 07:19 PM