



Jo Anne Richards (Richards)

March 10, 1958 - December 12, 2021

Jo Anne Richards

Dear sister of John Richards and Jackie (Richards) Wright died at Hospice Peterborough December 12, 2021, after a short and courageous battle with cancer. Jo Anne was the much loved daughter of R. Jack Richards (2007) and Sybil Richards (2018). She will be missed by her sister-in-law Brenda (Spivey) Richards and nephews Dylan, Lucas and Wyatt Richards. The proud owner of Spa for Paws in Lindsay Ontario, her whole life was devoted to dogs. The true loves of her life were her Great Danes. She was involved with Great Dane Rescue and more dogs than can be counted passed through Jo Anne's home and loving care. Some moved on to forever homes and some were foster fails. Her family were never sure how many dogs might be encountered on a visit. Thank you to Drs Kristine Roberts and John Beamish for their compassionate care of Jo Anne during these difficult months. The family are also grateful to Hospice Peterborough staff who showed Jo Anne so much loving care during her last days. A private family service will happen at a later time. If wished donations in Jo Anne's memory to any animal welfare organization would be appreciated by the family. Condolences to the family can be made online at CommunityAlternative.ca.

Tribute Wall

DS

“ Sending Jo Anne\u2019s family and friends special condolences as the first anniversary of her death nears. Thinking of her with love and fond remembrances.

Diane Schurman - December 05, 2022 at 11:44 AM

TF

“ We will miss Jo Anne!! Jo Anne was such a kind and caring person to us and to our beloved Lola. Lola loved going to Spa for Paws and seeing Jo Anne and coming home all refreshed. Jo Anne always knew what Lola needed and helped us care for Lola. We hope they find each other!! The Sisson Family

The Sisson Family - December 29, 2021 at 07:14 PM

BS

“ So sorry to hear of the loss of Joanne, she was an amazing, kind and giving person. I enjoyed many great years working with Joanne through Community Living with lots of treasured and fun memories. Joanne found her calling when she began her fostering of Great Danes, providing lots of love and a safe place until they could find their forever homes. Joanne was a wonderful animal groomer who provided excellent care and wonderful customer service. Joanne will be missed by many.

Barb Stokes - December 28, 2021 at 07:14 PM

GC

“ Jo-Anne groomed our much loved Australian Shepherd for many years and was unfailingly kind and gentle with him and Ozzy was always happy to see her. She was a kind, beautiful lady and she will be missed. Rest in Peace, Jo-Anne.

Glenys Cook - December 26, 2021 at 01:41 PM

KH

“ Dear Richards Family, Please accept my condolence at the death of Jo Anne. I met her through Great Dane Rescue inc. We ended up adopting 4 danes over time and were impressed each time Jo anne's commitment to Danes and her wisdom and sense of balance. She was very . very kindShe was a great advocate for Gentle giants The world is smaller nowBest Regards, Krista

Krista Heggie - December 24, 2021 at 01:24 PM

CG

“ Joanne was a lovely person and really good pet groomer. We were fortunate to find her to groom our cat Pixie, when no other groomer was doing cats. Joanne agreed to come into our home to groom and shave Pixie when we told her it was so frightening to her to take her out. We enjoyed all our talks with Joanne as she was a real animal lover. My sincere condolences to her family.Cathy Gillespie

Cathy Gillespie - December 23, 2021 at 02:15 PM

KD

“ I have known Jo Anne for many years. She was the only one that our dogs would trust enough to allow themselves to be groomed by. They knew immediately that Jo Anne was a kind and gentle soul. She will be dearly missed but I know she is in heaven now caring for all the fur babies she so loved. Rest well Jo Anne. \ud83d\udc9c

Kim Dawson - December 19, 2021 at 10:16 AM

IR

“ Jo Anne played a crucial role in the adoption of our beloved great dane Delilah. I will forever be grateful. May she rest in peace. Isabel

Isabel Richer - December 17, 2021 at 06:59 PM

DS

“ Jo Anne was a wonderful human being and will be sadly and greatly missed. We met her through Great Dane Rescue and were the happy recipients of four beautiful Danes from her. Jo Anne was always available and generously shared her information and skills with us. We had dozens of visits with her at our place and hers, Great Dane Meetups, Spa for Paws, Obedience classes, the big U.S. Great Dane picnic and at Williams Place. I always brought her a large double-double and a pack of Timbits for the dogs. Jo Anne made a huge difference in hundreds of lives, both human and canine. Say hi to Rossi, Rory, Lacey and Lola when you see them, Jo Anne. They will be as overjoyed to see you as we are sad to say good-bye. ”

Diane Schurman - December 16, 2021 at 09:52 PM

SB

“ We met Jo Anne through Great Dane Rescue Inc, where she was a leader in the organization, especially as a foster. We ended up adopting one of her fosters (she threatened that if we didn't take him soon, she'd have to keep him, as he was a brindle, her favourite!) She was always generous with her time and energy. She will be missed. ”

Sarah Bennett - December 16, 2021 at 10:27 AM