



Janet Hargraves Dowling

April 18, 1950 - October 19, 2024

It is with great sadness that we announce the passing of Janet Hargraves Dowling on October 19, 2024, at the age of 74. Janet was born on April 18, 1950 in Middlesboro, KY to Emerson White and Irene Ball Hargraves.

Janet was very selfless and often put others needs above her own. She was known for her strong will, unwavering determination, and love and support for her family, children, foster children, and her husband. She married Michael Lee Dowling in August 30, 1996 and between them they had 5 children, and 8 grandchildren. Mike often called Janet his “angel” and they were completely devoted to one another, as well as helping others.

Janet worked as an administrative assistant at both E-Systems, a government contractor and AMERC, a non-profit religious organization. In addition, Janet and Mike were foster parents to several different foster children, most of whom stay in touch with them today. She and Mike gave freely to these children of their love, their home, and a safe place to fall during a difficult time.

Janet had three children, Abigail Beth Barnes, J. Bradley Long, and Samuel Harold Long. All three of Janet’s children would describe her as a phenomenal mother, who dedicated her entire life to loving and adoring, teaching, offering her wisdom, and being their best friend. In turn, her children were all completely devoted to her and her wellbeing. They had a bond with one

another that even death cannot break.

Janet and her sister Eva Carpenter, also known as Babe, enjoyed a special closeness unrivaled by any I have ever seen. Babe's life, as well as her husband Tom Carpenter, revolved around Momma, in her battle with cancer. They were there whenever needed and were indispensable as they gave so freely of themselves to Mom and our entire family. In honesty, Jan will be sorely missed amongst her entire family, friends, and her extended foster families.

Preceded in joining the Lord: Emerson White Hargraves(father), Irene Ball Hargraves (mother), Carol Irene McKeen-Rowlett (sister), Ronald Emerson Hargraves(brother), and John Robert Hargraves(brother).

She is survived by Michael Lee Dowling(husband), Eva Leah Carpenter(sister), Abigail Beth Barnes(daughter), J. Bradley Long(son), and Samuel Harold Long(son). As well as two-step children David Lee Dowling and Donna Marie Dowling. As well as her grandchildren, A J Long, Olivia Faith Long, Kaleb Bradley Long, Brooklyn Rebecca Long, Eva Kay Long, Tommy Lee Terry, Michael Lee Dowling, and Billy Ray Dowling. She is also survived by several loving nieces, nephews, cousins, and friends.

Special thanks to her special son, Keith Barnes and her two special daughters, Emily Long and Lucy Defenbaugh for their unwavering support and love during such a difficult time.

Private services were held at Robinette Funeral Home in Rose Hill with burial following in the Ball Cemetery.

Online condolences may be sent by visiting, www.RobinetteFuneralHomes.com. Robinette Funeral Home of Rose Hill, VA is serving the Dowling family.

Tribute Wall

DG

“ *Eva (Babe), condolences to you and your family in the loss of your sister.*

Debbie Wolfenbarger Garrett

Debbie Garrett - October 23, 2024 at 04:00 AM

SL

“ *So sorry for your lose.*



Shelby Long - October 22, 2024 at 07:58 PM

JC

“ *Jan”Gram” was a true angel, she always had an open heart and I was blessed to get to know her the last 12 years. I will always love her and miss her and I send prayers for Mike, Abby, Brad and Sam. A lot of great memories with Gram.*

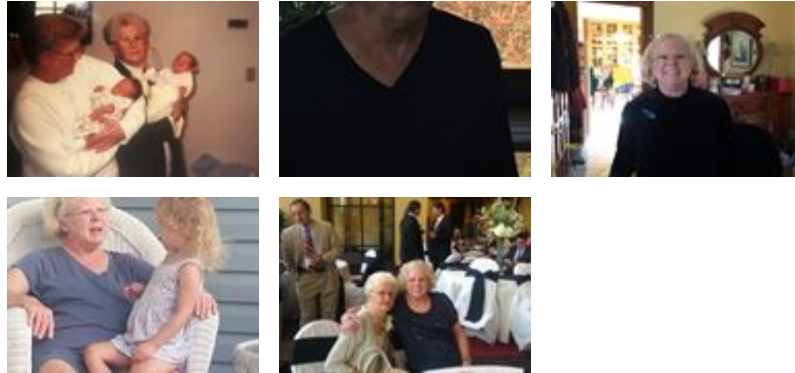
Love you all,

Jeannie Crews, Destiny and Monica

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“ *Jan was always a strong woman just like her mother and sister Carol. She was devoted to her children and grandchildren and her family. Rest in peace my dear friend. I pray for comfort for all her family and friends*

Debbie McConnell - October 22, 2024 at 10:52 AM

SM

“ *Sam & Family,
We are so sorry for your loss. The couple times I met your mother, I knew she was a good women and "my kind of people". May her legacy live on through her kids and grandkids. May you all find some comfort in your many sweet memories of her and her unselfish love for each of you. Our deepest sympathy to you all and may God be evident to you during this difficult time and may his grace and love provide you with a peace that only he can provide.*

*Jeff & Sherry Myers
Georgetown, KY*

Sherry Myers - October 22, 2024 at 10:45 AM