



## Janet Lea Neal

November 23, 1963 - July 11, 2025

With heavy hearts and profound gratitude for the time we were given, we announce the passing of Janet Lea Neal, age 61, of Rose Hill, VA, who made the world brighter with every breath she took. She passed away suddenly with family on July 11, 2025.

She was born on November 23, 1963 in Saint Charles, VA to the late Winfred Lee Lanningham and Betty Jean (Williams) Lanningham. In addition to her parents, she was preceded in death by her infant brother, David Lanningham, her sister-at-heart, Teresa Watson, and by her special dog, Scrappy.

Janet was the embodiment of grace, kindness, and quiet strength. A woman of rare beauty—inside and out—she gave endlessly of herself. Her warmth, intelligence, and sense of humor could lift any spirit, and her generosity knew no bounds. She had a unique gift for making everyone feel seen and cherished. No birthday or holiday went by without a thoughtful card, a perfectly wrapped present, or a beautifully prepared meal—all prepared with care and love.

She was a gifted decorator and an extraordinary cook, transforming every gathering into something magical. But her most remarkable works were the things no one ever saw: the clothes she donated, the families she helped, the silent ways she lifted those in need without ever asking for recognition. She

simply gave, and gave again—quietly, consistently, selflessly.

Janet was a devoted wife, an exceptional mother, a treasured sister and aunt, and a loyal friend. She filled each of these roles with grace and devotion, making every person around her feel uniquely important. Her love of nature and travel took her to beautiful places, but the most beautiful part was the way she carried that wonder and joy back with her—and shared it.

She lived her life in a way that reminded all of us what really matters: kindness, compassion, and love. Though her absence leaves a hole that can never be filled, the legacy of her love will live on in every life she touched.

Janet served the Lee County School System for over 20 years, currently working in the office at Thomas Walker High School. She was the former owner of Ivy's Floral and Gifts.

Janet is survived by her husband of 25 years, Frank Neal Jr.; one daughter, Ivy Elizabeth Barber; special daughter-at-heart, Savanna Parsons and husband, Dustin; sisters, Dianne Collins and husband, James, Phyllis Province, and husband, Jim, and her sister-at-heart, Betty Hines Crusenberry; nieces and nephews, Shannon Saylor, Daniel Crabtree, Lindsey McCurry and husband, Josh, and Morgan Province; and two great-nephews, who were grandsons-at-heart, Dylan and Riley McCurry.

The family will receive friends from 2 until 4:00 p.m. on Tuesday, July 15, at Robinette Funeral Home in Rose Hill. The funeral service will begin at 4:00 p.m. with Bob Long officiating. Graveside services will follow in the Lee Family Cemetery.

Online condolences may be sent by visiting, [www.RobinetteFuneralHomes.com](http://www.RobinetteFuneralHomes.com). Robinette Funeral Home of Rose Hill is serving the Neal family.



# Cemetery Details

## Lee Family Cemetery

Rose Hill, VA

# Previous Events

## Visitation

JUL 15. 2:00 PM - 4:00 PM (ET)

Robinette Funeral Home (Rose Hill)  
207 DeRoyal Industries Drive  
P.O. Box 388  
Rose Hill, VA 24281  
(276) 445-5101

## Funeral Service

JUL 15. 4:00 PM (ET)

Robinette Funeral Home (Rose Hill)  
207 DeRoyal Industries Drive  
P.O. Box 388  
Rose Hill, VA 24281  
(276) 445-5101

# Tribute Wall



*“ I was so sorry to hear about Janet’s passing. I remember her fondly from her days at Jonesville High School. She was smart, beautiful, and had a smile that could light up the room. I send love and sympathy to all her family and friends.*



**Debbie Garrett** - July 16, 2025 at 03:19 AM



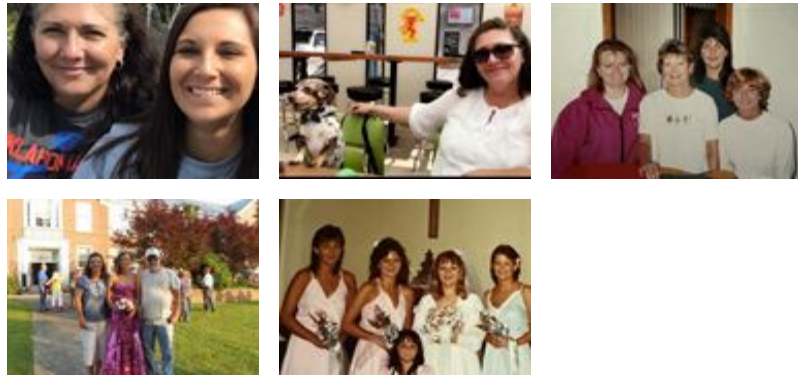
*“ Janet was one of the first people I met when I came to Thomas Walker, & she was so kind & sweet to me. I am so sorry for your loss. She will be so missed. Love you Janet, Michelle Carter*



**Michelle Emery-Carter** - July 15, 2025 at 02:25 PM



*“ 200 files added to the album LifeTributes*



**Robinette Funeral Homes** - July 15, 2025 at 10:45 AM



“ I remember changing her office calendar on her desk every morning when I walked into Thomas Walker High School. She always appreciated me doing that for the front office. May she rest in peace (crosses heart 🙏🙏🙏)

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**Mayura Reynolds** - July 15, 2025 at 10:42 AM

VS

“ 1 file added to the tribute wall



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**Vicki R Snodgrass** - July 15, 2025 at 08:12 AM

KM

“ Thank you Ms. Neal for your love and kindness to my children at Thomas Walker. Frank and you were wonderful neighbors and my thoughts and prayers are with family and friends.

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**Kim Marsee** - July 15, 2025 at 08:02 AM

SP

“ 4 files added to the tribute wall



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**Savanna Lea Parsons** - July 14, 2025 at 10:29 PM

MP

“ 14 files added to the tribute wall



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**Morgan Province** - July 14, 2025 at 10:12 PM

DW

“ 9 files added to the tribute wall



Diane Woodard - July 14, 2025 at 10:07 PM

MP

“ 3 files added to the tribute wall



Morgan Province - July 14, 2025 at 09:28 PM

SP

“ 1 file added to the tribute wall



Savanna Lea Parsons - July 14, 2025 at 09:28 PM

MP

“ 12 files added to the tribute wall



Morgan Province - July 14, 2025 at 09:15 PM

MP

“ 25 files added to the tribute wall



Morgan Province - July 14, 2025 at 09:12 PM

SH

“ Thinking of all of Janet's family and friends during this sad time.

sammie R horton - July 14, 2025 at 08:52 PM

MP

“ 1 file added to the tribute wall



Morgan Province - July 14, 2025 at 08:38 PM

MP

“ 2 files added to the tribute wall



Morgan Province - July 14, 2025 at 08:36 PM

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Morgan Province - July 14, 2025 at 08:35 PM

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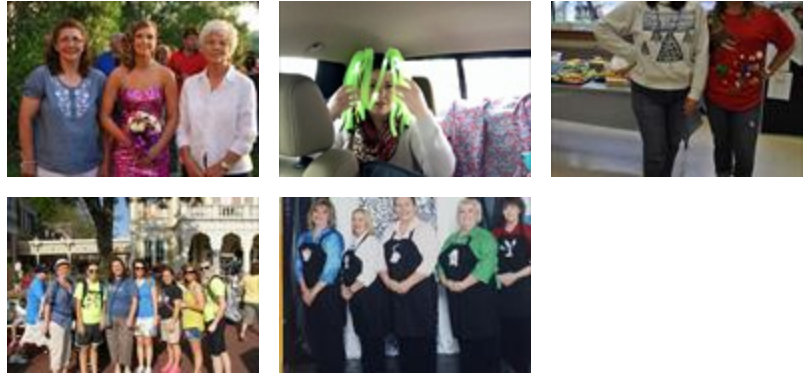
“ Rebecca Williams Powell purchased the Divine Peace Bouquet for the family of Janet Lea Neal.



Rebecca Williams Powell - July 14, 2025 at 08:33 PM

MP

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Morgan Province - July 14, 2025 at 08:27 PM



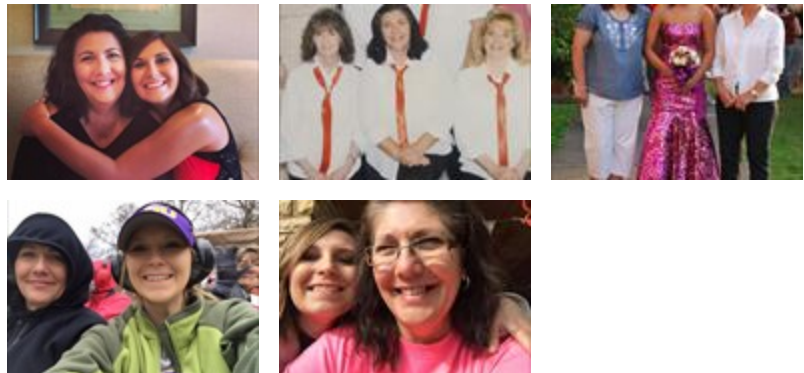
“ Sweet Sincerity was purchased for the family of Janet Lea Neal.



July 14, 2025 at 08:23 PM

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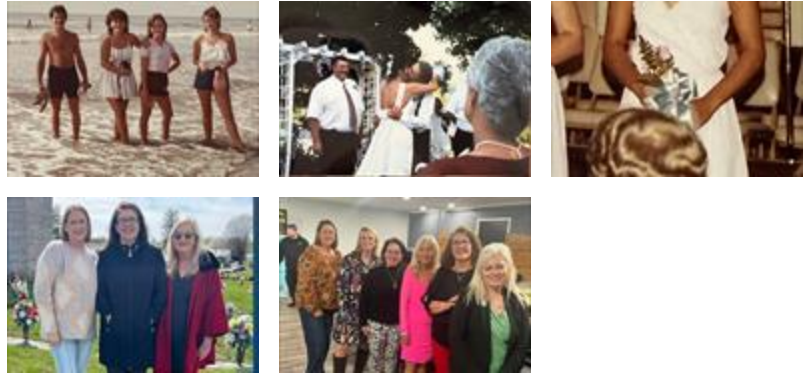
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Morgan Province - July 14, 2025 at 08:16 PM

MT

“ 5 files added to the tribute wall



marsha twigg - July 14, 2025 at 07:55 PM

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marsha twigg - July 14, 2025 at 07:48 PM

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“ 10 files added to the tribute wall



marsha twigg - July 14, 2025 at 07:45 PM

DG

“ Dianne, so sorry to read of Jan's passing. You , Phyllis and your family are in my thoughts and prayers.

Dora Dinsmore Garrison - July 14, 2025 at 04:34 PM

DG

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DP

“ Doris And Larry Presley lit a candle in memory of Janet Lea Neal



Doris and Larry Presley - July 14, 2025 at 04:25 PM

SQ

“ Suzan Q. planted a grove of 3 [Memorial Trees](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Janet Lea Neal.

Suzan Q. - July 14, 2025 at 03:04 PM



“ A [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) was planted in honor of Janet Lea Neal.

July 14, 2025 at 02:50 PM



“ Florist Choice Bouquet was purchased for the family of Janet Lea Neal.



July 14, 2025 at 02:30 PM

PV

“ Pam Mondini and Kim Vance purchased the Country Basket Blooms for the family of Janet Lea Neal.



Pam Mondini and Kim Vance - July 14, 2025 at 02:17 PM

DE

“ *Dianne Early lit a candle in memory of Janet Lea Neal*



Dianne Early - July 14, 2025 at 01:16 PM

FH

“ *From Ron & Debbie Hobbs purchased the Sweetest Sunrise Bouquet for the family of Janet Lea Neal.*



From Ron & Debbie Hobbs - July 14, 2025 at 12:55 PM

JC

“ *Jacob and Lexi Carr purchased the Country Basket Blooms for the family of Janet Lea Neal.*



Jacob and Lexi Carr - July 14, 2025 at 10:49 AM



“ *Jack Jones lit a candle in memory of Janet Lea Neal*



Jack Jones - July 14, 2025 at 09:37 AM



“ Peaceful White Lilies Basket was purchased for the family of Janet Lea Neal.



July 14, 2025 at 09:20 AM



“ A [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) was planted in honor of Janet Lea Neal.

July 14, 2025 at 09:20 AM



“ Love and Prayers for the family. Such a sweet soul. RIP.



Debbie Taylor - July 14, 2025 at 09:04 AM



“ James P. planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Janet Lea Neal.

James P. - July 14, 2025 at 08:38 AM

KS

“ *Kathy Sharp lit a candle in memory of Janet Lea Neal*



Kathy Sharp - July 14, 2025 at 08:37 AM

SL

“ *So sorry to hear this, will be in prayer for you Frank.* ❤️🙏



Shelby Long - July 14, 2025 at 08:06 AM

JC

“ *Joyce Ann Clark lit a candle in memory of Janet Lea Neal*



Joyce Ann Clark - July 14, 2025 at 07:47 AM

MP

“ *2 files added to the tribute wall*



Morgan Province - July 14, 2025 at 06:23 AM

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Morgan Province - July 14, 2025 at 06:18 AM

DN

“ I'm so sorry to hear this she was a good beautiful person inside and out The family are in my thoughts during this sad time sending hugs and love to all



Debbie Napier - July 14, 2025 at 05:34 AM

BD

“ Breaks my heart a very special person always enjoyed every minute spent with her.wished it hadn't been so long since I talked to her. She will be missed prayers for Ivy and family. Loved her always

Brenda Dye - July 13, 2025 at 11:48 PM

KP

“ I loved Janet, she was a wonderful person. Prayers for Phyllis & Dianne & all of the family. Every time you seen Janet she was always happy. She will be missed dearly. Kathy Peters & Son.

Kathy Peters - July 13, 2025 at 10:54 PM

PF

Janet was an amazing lady. She had a beautiful smile that came from the heart. My prayers go out to her family as well as to her coworkers at Thomas Walker.

Pamela Farr - July 14, 2025 at 09:04 AM

CC

“ Thinking of Dianne & Phyllis in the loss of their precious



*Thinking of Dianne & Phyllis in the loss of their sister. Prayers of peace & comfort for the family!*

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**Carla Crowder** - July 13, 2025 at 10:23 PM

CC

*Prayers for Dianne & Phyllis, & all of the family.*

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**Carla Crowder** - July 13, 2025 at 10:31 PM

KS

*I loved Janet, she was a wonderful person. Prayers for Phyllis & Dianne & all of the family. Every time you seen Janet she was always's happy. She will be missed dearly. Kathy peters & Son.*

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**Kathy Peters & Son** - July 13, 2025 at 10:49 PM

TA

“ Tinker Anderson lit a candle in memory of Janet Lea Neal



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**Tinker Anderson** - July 13, 2025 at 10:22 PM

CS

“ Janet will forever be my Baby Sister.



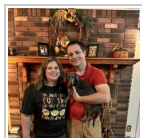
Carolyn Skidmore - July 13, 2025 at 10:19 PM

JW

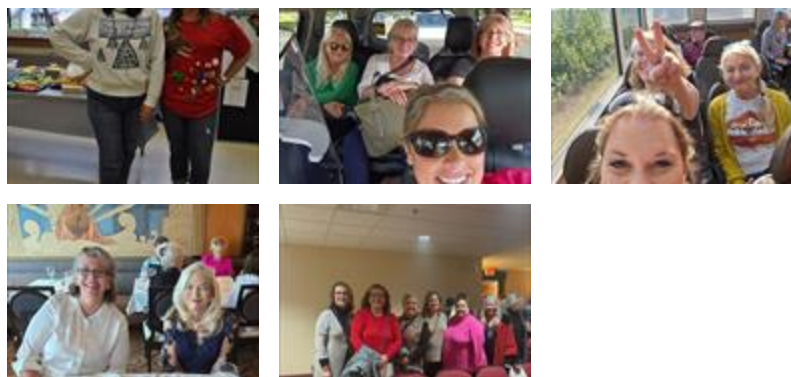
“ Julia Wyrick lit a candle in memory of Janet Lea Neal



Julia Wyrick - July 13, 2025 at 10:07 PM



“ Janet was one of the best! She will be greatly missed. Im so glad I was able to call her my friend!



Jessica Morrison Trent - July 13, 2025 at 10:04 PM

JF

“ I played basketball with Janet in HS she always had a smile on her face. She always was cracking me up. She could also kick a football over the flagpole at JHS now Middleschool. I enjoyed her.

Judy Hall Fee - July 13, 2025 at 10:01 PM



“ Beautiful in Blue was purchased for the family of Janet Lea Neal.



July 13, 2025 at 09:10 PM



“ Full Of Love Bouquet was purchased for the family of Janet Lea Neal.



July 13, 2025 at 08:43 PM

LL

“ My sweet friend and former co-worker. Your love for life and laughter was a blessing to all who knew you. You smile lit up the room and your kindness overflowed. I am so grateful to have known you. You left us way too soon but your memory will be cherished for life. Rest in peace my sweet friend.



Linda Lewis - July 13, 2025 at 08:23 PM

CD

*Janet was a very sweet woman who always had a way of making you feel welcome and would put a smile on your face! Fly high Janet.*

**Christie Baker Daniels** - July 13, 2025 at 09:41 PM



“ *Country Basket Blooms was purchased for the family of Janet Lea Neal.*



July 13, 2025 at 07:42 PM



“ A [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) was planted in honor of Janet Lea Neal.

July 13, 2025 at 07:42 PM

VS

“ *Janet, after my mother passed, I didn't think my heart could shatter any more. You were such a dear, dear friend. Us Jonesville girls had too stick together at TW 😂 I'll never forget your laugh or voice. We shared a lot of laughs in the office together. I will treasure our trip to NY long ago. We had a blast last March with Betty at ZZ Top concert. You are gone way too soon, my sweet friend I love you always.*

**Vicki R Snodgrass** - July 13, 2025 at 07:39 PM

TD

“ *My heart is truly broken! My brother just calked to her at school on Thursday, and being the sweet person she always was, asked about me and sent me a sweet hello! I have known Janet for at least 50 of those 61 years maybe more. God has truly gained a beautiful angel! Prays for peace and comfort throughout the coming days!*



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**Tamara Burgan Deirth** - July 13, 2025 at 07:37 PM