



Janice Eileen Grupido

December 19, 1948 - December 12, 2022

Janice Eileen Grupido, age 73, passed away on December 12, 2022.

She was born to Dorethea Dove and Buferd Dove

Beloved wife of Giulio Grupido

Loving mother of Eileen (Jerry) Plattenberg and Ilaria (Paul) Pantelis

Cherished grandmother of Gabriel Plattenberg, Clarissa Plattenberg, and Giulio Pantelis

Loving and serving Jesus and her family with all her heart were the hallmarks of Janice's life.

She was married to Giulio Grupido on September 28, 1968. She immediately devoted herself to learning the family's Italian heritage, stories and recipes and purposed herself to share the love of Christ with each person through acts of compassion and help. Always ready to give an answer about the hope she had in Christ for salvation, she would readily use her skilled gift for words to encourage hearts toward the Lord.

Having come to recognize her own need for forgiveness of sin, she believed in Jesus for His sacrifice on the cross and resurrection from the dead as payment for her own sin and received His free gift of salvation through grace at a young age. Soon thereafter, in gratitude and obedience to His Word, she began to serve the Lord in early high school as the organist

at Community Baptist Church in Madison Heights where her mother brought her children to attend services. After getting married, she and her new husband attended Gratiot Baptist in Detroit with their two daughters until 1977 when she and her family moved to Troy and began attending Troy Baptist Church, later renamed to be Woodside Bible Church. There, she served in many capacities during the 45 years she faithfully attended. Her love for children and the bible led her to serve as a Sunday School teacher and later as the superintendent for children's church. She sat on a curriculum advisory board to assist church staff in the selection and implementation of new curriculum. When her grandbabies came to be, she went back to teaching in early childhood so that she could enjoy every minute of their faith development. When the church built a new building, she assisted with the move, painting classrooms for the children's wing. Serving as a lead teacher in early childhood, Jan shepherded many using flannel story boards, puppets, and gregarious story-telling with an intimate knowledge of scriptural truth. She led summer camps, children's Christmas programs, and attended Children's Pastors conferences in order to always be learning how to teach better and reach more with the love of Christ.

It wasn't just children that Jan served. Jan opened her home to the small group ministry at Woodside and led a working women's group weekly. She also served as a small group champion to shepherd other leaders. Her passion to know God's word led her to study it through Bible Study Fellowship where eventually Jan and her daughter Eileen were asked to serve as small group leaders. Lastly, Jan always cared for the elderly, widows and orphans whenever God led her to opportunities to do so.

Jan was employed by Community Baptist Preschool as Director in the late 1970's and early 80's. She transitioned to selling Real Estate soon after with B.E. Jiggins Real Estate and Schweitzer Real Estate. Later, she was promoted to manager of the Schweitzer Real Estate Troy office. She ended

her career as the Broker and Co-owner of Countryside, GMAC Real Estate where she led with integrity and humility.

Jan was an exceptional cook and helped to create an almost 400 page cookbook and family history book for her family in the year before she died. She loved playing piano, sewing, reading and spending every possible minute with her three grandchildren. Her favorite hymn was, "O Jesus, I have promised", whose lyrics are printed on her prayer card. One of her favorite bible verses was Philippians 1:21, "For to me, to live is Christ and to die is gain." Though she will be missed, heaven is her gain and her joy in Jesus is now realized in full!

In lieu of flowers, the family would appreciate donations to the Detroit Rescue Mission Ministries; <https://drmm.org/> or Compassion International; <https://www.compassion.com/>

Cemetery Details

Van Hoosen Jones / Stoney Creek

570 E. Tienken Rd E. of Rochester Rd
Rochester, MI 48307

Previous Events

Visitation

DEC 20. 3:00 PM - 7:00 PM (ET)

Mandziuk & Son Funeral Directors, Inc. - Sterling Heights
3801 18 Mile Road
Sterling Heights, MI 48314
(586) 997-3838

Funeral Service

DEC 21. 10:00 AM (ET)

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Tribute Wall



“ *Janice Eileen Grupido*

October 23, 2023 at 04:00 AM



“ *Janice Eileen Grupido*

January 06, 2023 at 05:24 AM



“ *Sweetest Sunrise Bouquet was purchased for the family of Janice Eileen Grupido.*



December 19, 2022 at 09:56 PM



“ *Sweet Solace Spray was purchased for the family of Janice Eileen Grupido.*



December 19, 2022 at 09:34 PM



“ *Beautiful in Blue* was purchased for the family of *Janice Eileen Grupido*.



December 19, 2022 at 11:55 AM



“ *Pretty Please* was purchased for the family of *Janice Eileen Grupido*.



December 16, 2022 at 07:53 PM



“ *Days of Sunshine Bouquet* was purchased for the family of *Janice Eileen Grupido*.



December 16, 2022 at 04:38 PM

LE

“ I'll try to keep this short because Jan always said when she asked me a question, my reply was never a short answer but a book. We first met in the mid-1980's when I became manager for a Troy real estate office where she was an agent. My first fun memory of Jan in that old building was when she walked through the furnace room to get to my office so she could show me how to place the plants on the desks to water them when the roof leaked. It didn't take long to recognize how special Jan was - talented, capable, honest, intelligent and patient, with a real knack for dealing with people, whether clients, agents, friends or family. Jan eventually became manager and went on to build the office into one of the most successful in the company. Later, she decided to go out on her own with her dear friend and "Gumba," Lee Martines, and another successful company was born. My wife, Violet, and I joined them in 2000, and it was like coming home. Great fun - what a special place. It's an honor to have been part of Jan's life - like an extended family. We will miss her dearly, but we also know she is now at peace, enjoying being with the Lord and those who have gone before her, and that someday, we will see her again. Lloyd & Violet Edwards

Lloyd Edwards - December 15, 2022 at 07:42 PM

LM

Well said my friend ❤️

Lee Martines - January 01, 2023 at 08:50 PM

VZ

Jan taught me real estate from day one. Started in mid 1986. Always answered every question I had. Was a great teacher and friend. So sorry to hear of this. My sympathy to the family.
Love, virgil zanardelli

virgil zanardelli - January 06, 2023 at 05:58 PM

PC

I am sad that I just became aware of Jan's passing from an old friend that I worked with in the late 1980's. Jan was my first manager/real estate broker when I started in the real estate business in 1988. She basically took me under her wing to teach me everything she knew about real estate in a 'fast paced approach'. I am still to this day with the same company, 36 years later (with slight company name changes and franchise buyouts) due to her wonderful teaching and terrific guidance. If Jan had not been my teacher, I would never be where I am now. She knew how much I thought of her, when she left our company, I was sad, but happy that she was doing what she wanted to do. She mastered real estate and was always a beam of light and energy when she entered a room. My condolences to her family, I really wish I would have heard this news sooner. Heaven received a wonderful, well loved lady!

Patrick Carolan - February 26, 2024 at 08:06 PM



“ Full Of Love Bouquet was purchased for the family of Janice Eileen Grupido.



December 15, 2022 at 11:19 AM

LM

“ I truly feel blessed to have known Jan, not only as a colleague, but as a true and loving friend. For over forty years this friendship only grew stronger. She was the most loving, intelligent, faithful, joyous person I have ever met. We laughed, we shopped and travelled. She was loving and caring for her family and devoted to them. I shall forever miss her until I catch up to her. Our favorite name for each other was Gumba. So many good memories. I loved her as a sister and it was reciprocated. Rest In Peace 🙏 My forever Gumba

Lee Martines - December 13, 2022 at 10:46 PM

OA

“ I met Jan back in 2000. I was young in the mortgage business. I called on her office at GMAC Real Estate. She was always very welcoming and friendly. Over the years we became good friends. She was one of the sweetest most caring people I ever met. I am very saddened at this lost and will miss her very much! May she now rest in peace in our Savior's arms of peace.

Otto Alcon - December 13, 2022 at 08:34 PM