



## JoAnne B Nelson

January 15, 1956 - August 24, 2019

It is with very heavy heart we announce the passing of a great wife, mother, grandmother and friend JoAnne B. Nelson. Jo was born in Murray, Utah on January 15, 1956 to Mike Balanzich and Jane Airhart. She passed away August 24, 2019 Surrounded by her family.

Jo lived a very busy life raising a wonderful family. She also worked most of her life at many different jobs to make the best life for her family. She also played very hard, taking motorcycles rides, trips all over the US. Many vacations to Mexico with friends, and even a trip to Hawaii.

Jo met the love of her life, Roger Nelson in August of 1976. They finally got married April 1, 1994. They always laughed about the date because who else, but a couple of fools would ruin a good relationship by getting married! They stayed together for 43 Years.

Jo was a very big reader. She always had a book with her. Jo loved to dance and had her own moves on the dance floor. As her illnesses progressed, she redirected her energy to her yard. She loved to garden and the roses that were planted in her yard. She couldn't wait for them to bloom so she could bring them in the house. Jo loved the summer because she could have her back-yard parties for her friends and family.

Jo is survived by her husband Roger, children, Robert (Sandy), Amanda Capps, Thayne (Drea) Nelson, Kandi Ross Nelson and 9 grandkids.

Because of her love of summer parties, we are having a celebration of life at our home, September 21, 2019 between 2-5. Please come and share stories

and pictures with her friends. RSVP to 801-641-0530 Also go to [www.serenityfhs.com](http://www.serenityfhs.com) to share with friends.

# Tribute Wall



“ *JoAnne B Nelson*

October 05, 2023 at 07:49 PM



“ *I wish with everything I have. That I could be there for you all even though we aren't close were still family. I don't have very many memories of my Aunt but I do know that the love of reading must be a family thing. I know she is at peace and surrounded by the loved ones that have gone on before her. RIP Aunt Joanne*



**Jane Maloney** - September 21, 2019 at 03:13 PM



“ *This says to share a memory about my grandma. But you can't just share one memory. One experience. One moment about one of the most amazing people you have in your life. But one of my best memories with her is visiting with her on Christmas. Getting to see her Charlie Brown tree and just talking with her. She truly was an amazing woman I am grateful to call her my grandma.*



**Alissa Reyes** - September 20, 2019 at 01:45 PM

VG

“ I met JoAnne and Roger 14 years ago at Andrea & Thayne's baby shower. She and Roger were so welcoming, and throughout the years I have enjoyed spending time with them celebrating birthdays, graduations, and holidays with Andrea, Thayne, and the girls. I will carry these memories with me always.

*JoAnne will be greatly missed! She showed tremendous love for her family, especially her grandchildren. I hope Roger and family are surrounded by love.*

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**Veronica Guerrero** - September 19, 2019 at 08:11 PM

LL

“ Lucie Lewis lit a candle in memory of JoAnne B Nelson



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**Lucie Lewis** - September 19, 2019 at 01:33 AM

LL

“ I remember the first time I met Joanne it was at a family gathering on Thanksgiving. I'm more of a shy person I don't do well in big crowds but right away Joanne made me feel at home. Joanne was a caring and loving person always smiling. You will be missed sweet lady, rest in peace and fly with the angel's.

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**Lucie Lewis** - September 19, 2019 at 01:31 AM

TN

“ It says share a memory of my mom, what can I say there are so many memories of her I could write for a very long time. One memory I have is her smile I loved to see her smile it would brighten the sky on a dark night. Not to mention the everlasting love and affection she had for my dad she loved him with her entire soul. She made his lunch for work everyday up in to the day he retired. At that point it was my pops turn to start taking care of her. I must say he did such an amazing job at being her number 1 and tried to do as wonderful of a job as she did for so many years that she cared for him, I know in my heart that he exceeded her expectations by a thousand fold! My mom was everyone's best friend, mom, counselor, she was such an amazingly awesome women they definitely broke the mold making her cause there will never be anyone like her again. I am truly grateful to be her son and will always hold her in my heart. Like I would always say to you mom when I left to go home I'll see ya later dude! I want to send my heart out to my Pops we will make it through this man I have just as much love for you as I do her and nothing will ever change that. I love you Mom till next time.

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**Thayne Nelson** - September 18, 2019 at 11:34 PM

JD

“ Form the first day I I met JoAnne I was a 7th grade teenager ,she welcomed me in her home with a big smile, from that day on her home to me was always open never shut us out no matter how big of a pain we was . Anytime we would leave somewhere she would wave from the front porch or when I would come over she would be out in the yard .. I will always remeber and respect her now being a mother of my own teen for never shutting us out always opening her home and always a big smile ... R.I.Love JoAnne I will always remember you .. To my good friends for over 20 years my prayers and love are with you all .. Love Jessica Dixon

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**Jessica Dixon** - September 18, 2019 at 11:27 PM

RN

“ Jo was the best person I will ever know. She stood by me thru thick and thin for 43 years. We had our good times and bad but she always kept a positive attitude no matter what. I will miss her very much. She was the love of my life and my soulmate.

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**Roger Nelson** - September 15, 2019 at 11:47 AM

AN

*Sweet, short, and beautiful; the words I'd use to describe both this obituary and my wonderful grandmother. May she Rest In Peace.*

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**Ayla Nelson** - September 18, 2019 at 10:38 PM

DW

*I would like to share a poem that reminds me of JoAnne:*

*Old Souls*

*There is a beautiful thing inside you  
that is thousands of years old.*

*Too old to be captured in poems.  
Too old to be loved by everyone  
But loved so very deeply  
by a chosen few.*

*To Roger and family: You are the chosen few! Cherish your memories  
and time spent together.*

*Love, Diana*

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**Diana Walker** - September 18, 2019 at 11:39 PM