



Jan Key

October 2, 1957 - December 29, 2023

Jan Elizabeth Nelson Key, a lifelong resident of River Ridge, passed away at her home on Friday, December 29, 2023 at the age of 66.

Beloved wife of Robert M. “Mike” Key. Loving mother of Lawson Key (Stacey), Benjamin J. Key (Abigail), and Gerard E. Nelson, Jr. (Brittaney). Daughter of the late George E. Nelson, Sr. and Thelma Geerkin Nelson. Sister of Chris E. Nelson (Cynthia), daughter-in-law of Alice Marie Key (the late Norman) and her Aunt Vera G. Lyons. She is preceded in death by three of her siblings; Peggy Nelson, George E. “Buddy” Nelson, Jr. (the late Judy), and Gerard E. “Jerry” Nelson, Sr. (the late Estelle); and her brother-in-law Bill Key (Judy Deuterman). Jan is also survived by numerous nieces, nephews, and cousins whom she dearly loved.

After graduating from Grace King High School, Jan received several associate degrees as well as a Bachelor’s Degree from Southeastern Louisiana University. She was employed by the Social Security Administration upon graduation where she met Mike, her husband to be. Later, she worked at the National Finance Center at Michoud, from which she retired in 2005.

Jan served as a Scout leader for both Cub Scouts and Boy Scouts for over 25 years at Our Lady of Divine Providence in Metairie. As a parent volunteer, she graciously contributed her time and energy to Archbishop Rummel High

School while her sons attended. She greatly enjoyed the youth and adult friendships that she made during those times. As a devout Catholic, she lived her life guided by the principles of Christ; peace, love, mercy and charity toward others. Jan was a patriot, she served her country through her professional career in the federal government. More than anything, she loved being a mother, and she loved her family. She enjoyed hosting holiday and birthday gatherings with her siblings, cousins and extended family at her home, and she celebrated these events at every opportunity.

Relatives and friends are invited to attend a Funeral Mass at 1:00 PM on Friday, January 5, 2024, at Saint Matthew the Apostle Catholic Church, 10021 Jefferson Hwy, River Ridge, LA 70123. Visitation will begin at 11:00 AM. Interment will follow the Funeral Mass at St Vincent De Paul Cemetery No 1, 1950 Soniat St, New Orleans, LA.

In lieu of flowers, the family asks that memorial donations be made to The Saint Vincent de Paul Society at St. Matthews Catholic Church or The Cholangiocarcinoma Foundation (<https://cholangiocarcinoma.org/giving-to-the-cholangiocarcinoma-foundation/>).

God has a new Angel.

Arrangements entrusted to L.A. Muhleisen & Son

Cemetery Details

St. Vincent Cemetery No. 1

1950 Soniat Street
New Orleans, LA 70115

Previous Events

Visitation

JAN 5. 11:00 AM - 1:00 PM (CT)

St. Matthew the Apostle Catholic Church
10021 Jefferson Highway
River Ridge, LA 70123

Funeral Mass

JAN 5. 1:00 PM (CT)

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River Ridge, LA 70123

Interment

JAN 5 (CT)

St. Vincent Cemetery No. 1
1950 Soniat Street
New Orleans, LA 70115

Tribute Wall



“ L.A. Muhleisen & Son Funeral Home created a Tribute Video in memory of Jan Key



L.A. Muhleisen & Son Funeral Home - January 02, 2024 at 08:32 AM

JC

Blessings to Jan and her beautiful family. Her devotion to her children and her faith where are true blessing to all of us. May God give her peace and may her family always know her love for them and her devotion to our Lord as their example in life. Heaven has gained an angel.

Joanna Cancienne - January 04, 2024 at 10:15 AM

DL

I'm truly sorry for your loss. May God comfort the entire family in your time of sorrow. I have fond memories of Jan from OLPH - she was a very kind and sweet person. My deepest sympathies, Dolleen Licciardi

Dolleen Licciardi - January 05, 2024 at 11:08 AM

RS

“ We were so very blessed to know Jan and have her in our lives, we cherish many fond memories of times spent together, and we are grateful for all the love and kindness she always gave us. We'll miss Jan as she rests in eternal peace with our loving God. Praying for Mike and all Jan's family and many dear friends.

Ray and Gloria St.Pierre - January 05, 2024 at 11:04 AM



“ *Beautiful Heart Bouquet was purchased for the family of Jan Key.*



January 04, 2024 at 04:06 PM



“ *I'm so sorry for your loss. Jan was a beautiful person. I worked with Jan at NFC and I know she will be sorely missed. I will be out of town and will have to miss the service, but I will definitely send her up in prayer, as she is now resting in the arms of Our Lord! Prayers for peace and comfort for her family. May she Rest In Peace!*

Dale Pritchett

Dale Pritchett - January 02, 2024 at 08:59 PM