



## Phyllis Joan Payne

January 17, 1932 - May 22, 2022

Phyllis Joan “JoAnn” Payne, nee Bair, 90, of Crystal Falls, died Sunday, May 22, 2022, at the Iron County Medical Care Facility surrounded by her family.

She was born January 17, 1932, in Boles Township, Franklin County, Missouri, daughter of the late Ervin and Sarah (Stearns) Bair. She graduated from New Baden High School in 1950.

Jo married Edward “Timer” Payne on January 12, 1957, in Trenton, Illinois. They spent 52 wonderful years together prior to Timer’s passing in January 2009.

Over the years, Jo worked at a number of nursing facilities, including the Clinton Manor Nursing Home in New Baden, Illinois and the Crystal Manor Nursing Home and the Iron County Medical Care Facility, both in Crystal Falls.

Jo was a member of Christ United Methodist Church. She never liked being in the limelight but would be found readily serving people behind the scenes.

Family was Jo’s number one priority, helping to raise and nurture seven brothers and a sister, six children of her own, her grandchildren and great-grandchildren. Her grandchildren and great-grandchildren affectionately called her Grandma PJ. She was truly loved and adored by her family.

Jo is survived by her sons, Harold (Dawn) Payne of Crystal Falls, MI, Douglas (Susan) Payne of Mukwonago, WI, and Ronnie (Amy) Payne of Taylor, AR; her daughters, Cheryl (Zeke) Bouche of Iron Mountain, MI, Jo Lynn Perry of Crystal Falls, MI and Erin (Shannon) Reinke of Crystal Falls, MI; grandchildren, Erica, Kimberly (Brian), Monica (Robert), Bryant, Elaina, James, Grace, Lily, Caleb, Jessica, Jennifer, Kim, Cathi, Michael, Jeremy, Brian, and Julia (Michael); great-grandchildren, Emmett, Anja, Henry, Leo, Sophie, Mikie, Kyla, Carson, Adelaide, Anders, Nolan, Brody, and Joseph; her brothers, Duane (Linda) Bair, Ollie (Marie) Bair, Donnie (Pat) Bair, Larry (Charlotte) Bair; a sister, Bonnie Bair; sisters-in-law, Loretta, Rosalie, and Dorothy Bair, Joyce Zavada, and Lynne Reiser; along with numerous nieces, nephews, and friends.

She was preceded in death by her twin brother and sister, John and Jacquelyn; brothers, Harold Bair, Michael Bair, and Gary Bair; a son-in law, Tom Perry; a grandson, Austin Reinke; her in-laws, Clyde and Myrtle Payne; brothers-in-law, Clyde and Marvin Payne, Robert Zavada, Jack Forsman, Eddie Heikkinen, and Eugene James; and sisters-in-law, Betty and Suellen Bair, Janet James, Nancy Payne, Edna Heikkinen, and Emma Jean Forsman.

Jo's family wishes to express their heartfelt thanks to the staff of the Iron County Medical Care Facility for the wonderful care, love, and kindness shown to their mother during her stay.

Visitation will be held on Friday, June 3, 2022, from 3:00 pm - 7:00 pm at the Nash Funeral Home in Crystal Falls and on Saturday, June 4, 2022, from 9:00 am - 10:00 am at Christ United Methodist Church of Crystal Falls with a funeral service to follow at 10:00 am at the church. Pastor Vicky Pruitt will officiate.

In lieu of flowers please consider a donation to St. Jude Children's Research Hospital or to a charity or organization of your choosing.

Condolences to the family of Phyllis Joan "JoAnn" Payne may be expressed online at [www.nashfuneralhome.net](http://www.nashfuneralhome.net).

The family has entrusted Nash Funeral Home and Cremation Services of Crystal Falls with the arrangements.

# Previous Events

## Visitation

JUN 3. 3:00 PM - 7:00 PM (CT)

Nash Funeral Home  
104 North Third St.  
Crystal Falls, MI 49920

## Visitation

JUN 4. 9:00 AM - 10:00 AM (CT)

Christ United Methodist Church  
20 South 5th St.  
Crystal Falls, MI 49920

## Funeral Service

JUN 4. 10:00 AM (CT)

Christ United Methodist Church  
20 South 5th St.  
Crystal Falls, MI 49920

# Tribute Wall



“ *Beautiful in Blue* was purchased for the family of *Phyllis Joan Payne*.



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June 04, 2022 at 08:48 AM



“ *Enduring Grace* was purchased for the family of *Phyllis Joan Payne*.



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June 02, 2022 at 12:28 PM



“ *Your Light Shines* was purchased for the family of *Phyllis Joan Payne*.



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June 02, 2022 at 07:57 AM



“ *Country Basket Blooms* was purchased for the family of *Phyllis Joan Payne*.



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June 01, 2022 at 10:57 PM



“ *Peaceful White Lilies Basket was purchased for the family of Phyllis Joan Payne.*



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June 01, 2022 at 06:21 AM



“ *Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum was purchased for the family of Phyllis Joan Payne.*



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May 31, 2022 at 03:16 PM



“ *Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum was purchased for the family of Phyllis Joan Payne.*



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May 31, 2022 at 03:13 PM



“ *So sorry for your loss, she was a beautiful woman and raised a great family. May she rest in peace with Timer*



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**Sheree Graham** - May 28, 2022 at 03:00 PM

UU

“ *U.P. State Credit Union purchased the Enchanted Cottage for the family of Phyllis Joan Payne.*



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**U.P. State Credit Union** - May 27, 2022 at 09:21 AM

FG

“ *From Heirloom Law Group purchased the Country Basket Blooms for the family of Phyllis Joan Payne.*



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**From Heirloom Law Group** - May 26, 2022 at 03:42 PM

TS

“ *She was part of my life for only a few years, but the memories from those years are swirling about my head like a funnel cloud. The sweetest lady EVER, so full of love, wise words and joy. I love thinking of her with a wide-eyed gaze as she beholds the place she now is, but as for those left here I am truly sorry for your loss. God bless you all.*

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**Terri Selvey** - May 26, 2022 at 09:19 AM

SR

“ *Sheila Bair (Duane&Linda's Randaughter) sent a virtual gift in memory of Phyllis Joan Payne*



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**Sheila Bair (Duane&Linda's randaughter)** - May 25, 2022 at 05:19 PM

SR

“ *Sheila Bair (Duane&Linda's Randdaughter) sent a virtual gift in memory of Phyllis Joan Payne*



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**Sheila Bair (Duane&Linda's randdaughter)** - May 25, 2022 at 05:19 PM

JF

“ *Justin, Heidi, & Curtis Family purchased the Rainbow Of Remembrance Spray for the family of Phyllis Joan Payne.*



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**Justin, Heidi, & Curtis Family** - May 25, 2022 at 02:42 PM

MS

“ *I'm sending you guys the most love and hugs ever. Jo was a wonderful caring lady. She welcomed us kids to her home always and acted like our mom. She is the best. I have so many great memories of her and Timer too. She will truly be missed by all the knew and loved her. But I know she is with Timer have a good time and smiling at all of you.*

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**Michele Smokevitch** - May 25, 2022 at 11:52 AM