



## Jo Ann Strader

March 26, 1933 - January 24, 2022

Jo Ann Strader of Windsor, CO, passed away on January 24, 2022 at Good Samaritan Society Water Valley Senior Living Resort in Windsor, CO.

Services will be held at 10:30 AM on Friday, January 28, 2022 at Redeemer Lutheran Church in Ft. Collins, CO. Reception following the service; Internment will be at Grandview Cemetery in Ft. Collins, CO. Pastor Tim Runtsch of Redeemer Lutheran will be officiating, with Pastor Janice Mount of Good Samaritan Society offering a remembrance.

Jo Ann Strader was born on March 26, 1933 to John Reichenbach and Mabel Alma (Bear) Reichenbach of Gettysburg, South Dakota.

She graduated Gettysburg High School and married Charles "Chuck" Edward Strader on October 29, 1951 in Wichita, Kansas. They had two daughters Susan Jo and Vicky Lynn.

Jo Ann is survived by her daughter Susan Jo and husband Clair Lee Knapp of Johnstown, CO, and two grandchildren: Kimberly Sue Knapp of Loveland, CO and Ryan Lee Knapp and Wife Michelle Knapp of Riverside, California. Her sister Shirley Jean Nagel and husband Karl Nagel of Shell Knob, Missouri also survive Jo Ann.

Jo Ann was preceded in death by her Husband - Charles who passed on April 25, 2012 & Daughter - Vicky who passed on November 29, 1978. Jo Ann is also preceded in death by her Parents, and two Sister's Dorothy Raasch, and Kathryn Loitwood.

It's difficult to express in a few words what Jo Ann accomplished in her life. She was an amazing woman! She was a devoted wife and mother, not to mention a businesswomen, leader, and co-founder of the Epilepsy Task Force of Ft. Collins, CO. She also enjoyed organizing social events; she became well known where ever she lived. Jo Ann was a compassionate person who was always caring for others. Last but not least she was an awesome cook and hostess and made many great meals. Family and friends especially loved her homemade chicken and noodles , biscuits and gravy.

Jo Ann enjoyed her later years living at Good Samaritan Society Senior Living Facility in Windsor, Colorado. She loved the people and felt a great sense of purpose in living there. She was involved in many things, some might say to involved. She didn't hesitate in voicing her opinion, you might say she had a little sass. Jo Ann joined the Happy Hatters Group at Good Sam's and loved making knitted hats with her friends for local charities. The group often produced 200 hats or more each year. Jo Ann tried to greet most new residence at Good Sam. She often comforted the new residence by telling them "Your Good Sam Friends areYour New Family." How true that is....

She has always been a realist and looked at life changes as an adventure. She's touched so many lives. Jo Ann often said, "I've had a great life and I'm ready to go." "This world no longer needs me plus I got lots of people up there I want to see, when I make it to heaven."

Jo Ann will be remembered by many.....

In lieu of flowers the family requests that memorials be directed to the charity of your choice.

Please join the family for lunch to reminisce about this very special lady.

# Previous Events

## Funeral Service

JAN 28. 10:30 AM (MT)

Redeemer Lutheran Church  
7755 Greenstone Trail  
Fort Collins, CO 80525

## Graveside Service

JAN 28. 2:00 PM (MT)

Grandview Cemetery  
1900 W. Mountain Ave.  
Fort Collins, CO 80521

# Tribute Wall

KJ

“ Chuck & Jo Ann Strader have been a part of our extended family since as long as I can remember. Our family spent many Thanksgivings at their house on Trilby Road. She was always a great cook. We played games and continued having weekends of playing Farkel and whatever new game that Jo had found for decades to come. She was always kind and generous. Jo was always taking care of people even after she needed taking care of later on. She is someone that will be remembered with great fondness by us and anyone who knew her.

*The St. Johns*

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**Kent St. John** - January 27, 2022 at 04:56 PM

KJ

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**Kent St John** - January 27, 2022 at 04:32 PM

MD

“ We enjoyed meeting and getting to know Chuck and Jo. They were good friends with our relatives, John and Cheris StJohn. We had good times paying Farkle with them. Jo was always lots of fun. Her chicken and noodles were the best. She will be missed by family and friends but we can have comfort knowing she is now resting in peace.  
Mike and Jan Dillie  
Northglenn, Colorado

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Mike and Jan Dillie - January 27, 2022 at 01:24 PM

DB

“ When Marivene and I arrived in Fort Collins in 1978, Jo and Chuck were among the first people we met. We were ;looking for info on epilepsy. That meeting developed into a special friendship that lasted over 40 years, It included hundreds of Saturday night dinners and farkle games. Jo was a perfect hostess and a great competitor in both the games and discussions around the table. She had great love and concern for those around her. We knew when she moved to Good Samaritan she would soon know everyone and be a force for good. She will be greatly missed. Prayers and love at this time, Sue and family'

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Don Burbank - January 27, 2022 at 12:58 PM

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“ Peggy Herrick lit a candle in memory of Jo Ann Strader



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Peggy Herrick - January 26, 2022 at 03:45 PM

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*I was so sorry to hear my sweet friend Jo Ann has passed, she was always so kind to me and saved toilet paper roll for my Sunday school class. Her and midnight would come down and visit me at night when I worked the front desk. I am praying for her and her family. Peggy Herrick Security guard.*

**Peggy Herrick** - January 26, 2022 at 03:56 PM

SS

“ *So sorry to hear of Jo passing. Will always have fond memories of visiting with her and Charles Edward when I was younger and again in the 90's when my wife and family were with me traveling. We spent the night with them and tried to catch-up on as much as we could about family and our lives. Always loved seeing them. Just know that we love you Susan and family. Your cousin, Stan Strader (Bobby and Charlotte's Son)*

**Stan Strader** - January 25, 2022 at 09:59 PM



“ *Country Basket Blooms was purchased for the family of Jo Ann Strader.*



January 25, 2022 at 08:50 PM



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**Bohlender Funeral Chapel** - January 25, 2022 at 01:34 PM



*I love this picture of my grandmother and grandfather.*

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**Kim Knapp** - January 26, 2022 at 12:21 AM