



Joanne Allyson Ellis

September 15, 1963 - March 6, 2014

Joanne Allyson Rolland Ellis was born in 1963 in Pennsylvania. She moved to Georgia as a young child and attended Marist High School. She graduated from the University of Georgia with a BS in Education in 1986, and from Kennesaw State University with a Master's in Education in 1995. Joanne received additional training and became certified to teach science in the Talented and Gifted (T.A.G.) program.

Joanne was a funny, articulate, wonderful person who loved her husband, Jimmy, and her son J.J. more than words can express. She loved Jeeps, boats, and outdoor adventures. She loved champagne and parties and fun times. Joanne was the center of a room, the quiet glue that held a group of friends together, and the "go-to" person for all situations. She was incredibly intelligent, with a wide variety of interests. Her love of science was not just a vocation, but an avocation she pursued daily, especially after J.J. was born. She taught him about bugs and planets and gardens.

The students she taught for 28 years, first at Haynes Bridge Middle School, and then at Northwestern Middle School in Fulton County loved her, too. She impacted lives as she stimulated thought and encouraged their personal growth, just as a teacher should. But Joanne was more than a teacher, she was a mentor to others, arriving early to school and staying late. Joanne served as the Science Chair and dedicated herself to helping all students reach their highest potential and helping to mold the best future teachers of science.

The greatest achievement of Joanne's life, though, cannot be listed in bullet form under "accomplishments" so much as it could be seen in the way she looked at her husband, Jimmy, or cradled her son J.J. The love she felt for her family was evidenced in everything she did, and she always placed her child above herself. Her son is incredibly bright because of the influence and teachings of Joanne.

We all live on as better people for having known Joanne, for having been touched by her love of life, of family, of learning, and of friends. Joanne identified and assisted those who needed encouragement, those that needed the support of a friend, or just a little leg up. Joanne leaves a legacy that will live on in the hearts and minds of those who knew her.

Joanne is survived by her husband, Jimmy, son J.J., mother Joan, brother Bill and his wife Lisa, niece and nephew Carley and Will James and more friends than you can count.

Previous Events

Visitation

MAR 15. 10:00 AM - 11:00 AM (ET)

Northside Chapel Funeral Directors and Crematory
12050 Crabapple Road
Roswell, GA

Service

MAR 15. 11:00 AM (ET)

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Tribute Wall



“ *Joanne Allyson Ellis*

October 08, 2022 at 11:37 AM



“ *I was heartbroken to hear of Joannes passing. From being my best friend in high school and all our crazy adventures to being my maid of honor at my wedding. Though we lost touch with one another, I thought of you often through the years. My thoughts and prayers are with you and your family. May you rest in peace.*

Love,

Marsha##imported-begin##Marsha Bacon##imported-end##

March 16, 2014 at 10:01 PM



“ *My sincerest sympathy and condolences on the loss of your wife. You and JJ will continue to be in my prayers. May God bless you both.##imported-begin##Gary Wilson##imported-end##*

March 14, 2014 at 09:09 PM



“ *I am in the St.Paul's choir with Joan. I want to express my sincere condolences to your family. Lots of love and prayers are sent to you. May God take care of all. Loretta McGarity##imported-begin##Loretta McGarity##imported-end##*

March 14, 2014 at 04:35 PM



“ *The faith community of Saint Paul the Apostle Catholic Church in Seneca, SC, (the parish of Joanne's mother and stepfather, Joan & Robert Krol), are holding your entire family in our hearts and prayers.*

*Eternal rest grant unto her, O Lord,
and let perpetual light shine upon her.
May Joanne rest in peace.##imported-begin##Lisa
Reece##imported-end##*

March 14, 2014 at 12:18 AM



“ *I love you bestest friend and I always will. I miss you and all we were going to do and see and experience. A part of me will never believe you aren't here. It's surreal. I will be there for JJ and Jimmy and I will make sure your son knows all that you were, all that you would have been, and how much a part of his life you will always be. You continue to be a wonderful mother and you will live on in your son. I will give him your letter. I love you BFF.##imported-begin##Julie Lewandowski##imported-end##*

March 13, 2014 at 09:06 PM



“ *My heart goes out to the family. I am very sorry for your loss. Coping with the passing of a loved one is never easy, but especially so when they go too soon.*

Certainly we all await that joyous time under God's Kingdom when disease of any kind will be eliminated, and “No resident will say: ‘I am sick.’” (Isaiah 33:24)##imported-begin##Nikki##imported-end##

March 13, 2014 at 08:25 PM



“ My sweet Joanne, I could not sleep last night. My mind was racing and my heart was heavy from missing you so much. I think of those we love and cared for, who went before you, preparing the way for you; your grandma and grandpa Corcoran and Uncle John, your dad, Jimmy's dad, Uncle Bobby, Mom Mom and Pop Pop, Robert's dad, your cousins Tommy, Theresa and Regina, Bill's wife's mother, Caroline, and especially your brother, Christian William. I offer you, and them as well, this prayer, my precious daughter:
"May choirs of angels lead you into paradise, and may the martyrs come to welcome you; to bring you home, into the holy city, so you may dwell in new Jerusalem.
May holy angels be there at your welcoming, with all the saints who go before you, there, That you will know the peace and joy of paradise, that you may enter into everlasting life".
You will always be remembered for your love of life and family, and we will see you through J.J's loving smile.
Love you sweetheart, Mom (XO)##imported-begin##Joanne's mother (Joan Krol)##imported-end##

March 13, 2014 at 09:20 AM



“ Please know my thoughts are with you all during this time. I was very fortunate to have met Mrs. Ellis a few months ago. What an incredible person!##imported-begin##Lacy Savage##imported-end##

March 12, 2014 at 06:31 PM



“ Dear Joanne, loving your mother for over 25 years allowed me to be a big part of your life, too. I love you as though you were my own daughter. I showed my love by building things for you and J.J. I remember vividly being in the hospital awaiting J.J.'s birth. What an experience it was, being able to hold that little baby and getting to know my 2nd grandson! It had been several years since I'd held Will and Carley that early in their lives. I remember the times we have had him with us and how much fun it was to share our love with him, hear his laughter and see him smiling at us. He is a wonderful boy. I know you are very proud of him. You and Jimmy have done a wonderful job raising him and helping him to define his personality. Your mother and I are here to help Jimmy any way we can. We will not let you down.

Joanne, I love you. You are missed very much, but every time we see J.J., I will see you. Love, Robert, your "stepfather" God bless you!###imported-begin###Robert Krol (Joanne's mother's husband)###imported-end###

March 12, 2014 at 02:27 PM



“ To Joanne Allyson, my beautiful, talented daughter. I have so many wonderful memories of my little girl, who was taken from me way too soon. Your radiant smile, big, blue eyes and that gorgeous red hair. No one could say you didn't have a lot of Irish in you! When you were in grade school, it was obvious you would become a teacher. You loved school. You "played" school with your best friend, Marybeth. You excelled in everything you did, and had so many accomplishments in your short life. Your students respected you and, over the 28 years, many came back to thank you for the education you helped them achieve, and how well they were doing in their "grown-up" years. I know how much that meant to you.

Sweetheart, you fought against tremendous odds with this horrible disease. It has taken its toll on too many members of our family. You had so much determination to continue to live. You had married the man you loved, and after so many years of waiting and praying, you achieved what was most important to you both, the birth of your son, J.J. Yours and Jimmy's love shines through J.J. I love him dearly, and every time I look into his sparkling eyes, I will see you. You worked very hard to give J.J. a strong foundation on which to build his life. He loves you so much, and will miss his Mommy. We will be here to help Jimmy in anything he needs.

Sweetheart, with all of my yesterdays, today and tomorrows, you remain in my heart. You have not left me; all I need to do is look up to Heaven, close my eyes, and I will see and hear you. You are with all the angels in heaven, looking down, offering your love and protection to your family. I miss you terribly, honey. God bless you and may He hold you "in the palm of His hand."

With all my heart, Mom###imported-begin###Joanne's Mother, (Joan Krol)###imported-end###

March 12, 2014 at 02:03 PM



“ May God bless and comfort you during this difficult time.

Tayran Cooper and Family##imported-begin##*Tayran Cooper*##imported-end##

March 12, 2014 at 10:36 AM



“ Words cannot express the sorrow and sadness felt when I heard of my cousin, JoAnne's passing. She fought a long hard battle with a terrible disease. She is finally resting peacefully with no pain. I have some very good memories of our family holiday get togethers with all of my cousins. I vividly remember JoAnne's big smile and she will continue to smile down upon all of us. To Jimmy and my Georgia family, Aunt Joan, Bill, Lisa, Will, and Carley, may your happy memories be your comfort that will be in your hearts forever and help bring you strength and peace. To JJ, your mother's love will always be in your heart and help guide you along your life's journey. Rest in peace cousin, JoAnne.##imported-begin##Marian O'Rourke##imported-end##

March 11, 2014 at 08:05 PM



“ Joanne and I worked together at Richway and also attended Kennesaw State together. We were good friends and although I haven't seen her in many years, I am saddened by her passing. Bye Buddy.##imported-begin##Steve Robichaud ##imported-end##

March 11, 2014 at 04:27 PM



“ I am so saddened by Joanne's death. She and I worked together for years at NMS and we always had a lot to talk and laugh about (especially each of us having only one son). She was truly a kind soul. My thoughts and prayers are with your family.##imported-begin##Carol Fanning##imported-end##

March 11, 2014 at 12:06 PM



“ Jimmy and family,
I am so saddened and sorry for your loss of JoAnne. She fought hard and is finally at rest. JoAnne and I were closest in age and your cousins are your first friends. I have warm and fun memories of our families being together as young children in a special time in our lives. I will keep all of you in my prayers , especially JJ. Your mother's love will always stay with you.##imported-begin##Colleen Agnew Montgomery ##imported-end##

March 10, 2014 at 10:59 PM



“ Know that we are mourning with you the loss of JoAnne. Our hearts and thoughts are with you during this time of grieving.##imported-begin##Vickie and Evan McElroy##imported-end##

March 10, 2014 at 09:28 PM



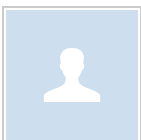
“ How very sad I was to learn of Joanne's death. Her long difficult battle with cancer is over and she is at peace in the loving embrace of her God, free at last from her suffering. She was a very sweet little cousin to me. My sister Janet and I loved to babysit for both Joanne and Billy when they were little children here in Philadelphia. They were so much fun and good kids. Joanne will always hold a special place in my heart. Even though I never met Jimmy or JJ I know you must be special. I hold you both in prayer, along with Joanne's mom Joan and brother Bill. My love to all of you,
Cousin Anne###imported-begin###Anne Myers SSJ###imported-end##

March 10, 2014 at 08:18 PM



“ Our thoughts and prayers are with the family during this difficult time. I know JoAnne was a wonderful mother and adored that sweet boy of hers! Keeping everyone in our prayers.###imported-begin###Amy###imported-end##

March 10, 2014 at 03:32 PM



“ Jimmy, please accept our humble prayers for you and JJ in these most trying moments. JoAnne was a wonderful gift to you all and that will always be true. You and your family after the grieving has subsided will prosper as a result of who she was, what she did in life and how she led by example.

With Love,
Tara, Tom, James and Audrey Cush###imported-begin###Tara James Cush###imported-end##

March 09, 2014 at 09:41 PM



“ WORDS CANNOT EXPRESS HOW SADDENED I AM AT THE LOSS OF MY BABY SISTER, JOANNE. SINCE HEARING THE NEWS OF HER DIAGNOSIS 2 YEARS AGO, I KNEW SHE WAS IN FOR A BATTLE, AND SHE CERTAINLY PUT UP A VALIANT FIGHT AGAINST THIS TERRIBLE DISEASE THAT HAS TOUCHED SO MANY IN OUR OWN FAMILIES. THE TWO BOYS IN HER LIFE MEANT THE WORLD TO HER, ESPECIALLY HER SON, JJ. YEARS WENT INTO BRINGING HIM INTO THIS WORLD, ONLY TO HAVE THAT SPECIAL BOND BETWEEN MOTHER AND SON CUT SHORT SO SOON. I KNOW JOANNE WILL BE LOOKING DOWN FROM THE HEAVENS ABOVE, WATCHING AND GUIDING BOTH JIMMY AND JJ AS THEY ENTER THIS CHAPTER OF THEIR LIVES. LOVE YOU SIS, HOPE YOU AND DAD ARE RECONNECTING IN HEAVEN! XO##imported-begin##BILL JAMES##imported-end##

March 09, 2014 at 11:57 AM