



Jan Michelle Porterfield

May 1, 1962 - November 15, 2020

Jan Michelle Porterfield, 58, of Antioch, Tennessee, formerly of Dongola, passed away on Sunday, November 15, 2020.

Jan was born May 1, 1962 in Anna to Franklin Delano (Barney) and Elaine Jodene (Jo) (McCommons) Porterfield. She was a Dongola High School and a Murray State University graduate. Jan was well loved at Glenwood Baptist Church where she made many wonderful contributions, especially in the choir and in the Glenwood Quartet.

Survivors include her uncle, Leon (Barbara) Porterfield of Dongola; aunt, Patricia Beggs of Anna; special sister and brother-in-law, Cynthia and Kyle Kern; nieces, Erica (Jacob) Poat and Gracen Kern; great nephew and great niece, Carson and Aubrey Poat all of Dongola; many cousins and a host of friends.

Jan was preceded in death by her parents, Franklin (Barney) and Jodene (Jo) Porterfield.

Private services will be held at 2:00pm on Sunday, November 29, 2020 at Christian Chapel Cemetery with Rev. Paul Sadler officiating. Interment will follow. Services will be livestreamed through the Crain Funeral Home and Cremation Service Facebook page.

Memorial contributions may be made to the Christian Chapel Cemetery and will be accepted at the funeral home.

Crain Funeral Home in Dongola is in charge of arrangements.

Cemetery Details

Christian Chapel Cemetery

Dongola, IL

Tribute Wall



“ *Jan Michelle Porterfield*

October 23, 2023 at 06:26 AM



“ *We're truly shocked by this sudden loss. Jan was such a warm presence at our clinic. She always remembered what was going on in our lives and made sure to ask. She even brought us books when we were doing a book club. We will miss seeing her at the clinic!*

-The staff at Premier Family Chiropractic

PFC - December 10, 2020 at 01:42 PM



“ *Trisha G Porterfield lit a candle in memory of Jan Michelle Porterfield*



Trisha g Porterfield - December 05, 2020 at 09:43 AM



“ *Jan was a wonderful friend and such a pleasure to be around. We had so many great times. We had an amazing vacation together in Las Vegas many years ago which I will never forget. She was genuinely kind and caring and will be greatly missed. Rest in peace dear Jan.*

Shelly Dillow

Shelly Dillow - December 02, 2020 at 09:16 PM

CM

“ *To Family, Friends & Colleagues:
Jan Porterfield was a lovely lady who helped
organize our training sessions held at the
Nashville Regional Office in Brentwood, TN.
She always provided a hand and was willing
to go the "extra mile" to ensure our training events were a success.
She will be missed dearly. I am so sorry for the loss of this dear,
sweet, kind & caring young lady.*



Carmen J Musitano - December 02, 2020 at 03:33 PM

TR

“ *Tracy lit a candle in memory of Jan Michelle
Porterfield*



Tracy - December 01, 2020 at 10:03 PM

MM

“ *"Rivers do not drink their own water; trees do
not eat their own fruit, the sun does not shine
on itself and flowers do not spread their
fragrance for themselves. Living for others is
a rule of nature. We are all born to help each
other. No matter how difficult it is...Life is good when you are
happy; but much better when others are happy because of you."*



This quote exemplifies how Jan lived her life.

Mary Alice Miner - December 01, 2020 at 01:56 PM

DN

Mary Alice Miner
What a beautiful quote to describe Jan. Such a lovely person, but gone too soon and tragically. May she Rest In Peace ❤️

Deb Nash - December 01, 2020 at 03:53 PM

BJ

“ *Beth Pettit Jirik lit a candle in memory of Jan Michelle Porterfield*



Beth Pettit Jirik - November 29, 2020 at 05:28 PM



“ *Kathy Grant lit a candle in memory of Jan Michelle Porterfield*



Kathy Grant - November 29, 2020 at 01:46 PM

BK

“ I met Jan in 2005 when our company, AMEC, moved me from Toronto, Canada to Nashville. I don't know if it was pity or curiosity, but in short order, Jan took me under her wing, inviting me along for lunch and checking on weekend plans. We formed an easy friendship inspite of/or maybe because of, our many differences. Our regular lunches were a highlight, and we enjoyed many a shopping spree together. When I was moving to Hawaii at the end of 2009, I found myself houseless for almost two weeks and she wouldn't hear of me staying in a hotel. Even though she didn't have pets, she took my two dachshunds and me into her home. Over the years we've stayed in touch. Jan was truly one of the most genuine and unconditionally kind people I've ever been lucky enough to know. I will forever treasure our friendship. She left us too soon.

Birte Kersting-Wilson - November 28, 2020 at 12:32 AM

JT

Jan was my bestie and we did everything together. I will miss her and she is gone way too soon. I count myself blessed that she shared her life with me as long as she did.

JoAnne Tichenor - November 29, 2020 at 09:59 AM

LZ

Such a loss.. she was the sweetest. She will be missed 😞

Lisa Zeschke - November 29, 2020 at 04:26 PM

BJ

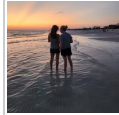
I am so saddened by this news...Jan and I were the best of friends and did everything together until I moved to Alabama in 1997...after that we parted ways some, but on occasion we got together and never missed a beat! We would get on the phone for hours and talk about anything and everything imaginable.... time stopped during our chats and gatherings... Although I have not seen her in a few years, I am truly going to miss her and her funny posts on Facebook... RIP Jan. You are going to be dearly missed. Beth Pettit Jirik

Beth Pettit Jirik - November 29, 2020 at 05:27 PM

KM

“ I had the privilege of doing Jan’s hair for 15 years. She was absolutely one of my favorite people, always wanting that beautiful red hair. I considered her not only a client but a dear friend. She will be truly missed.

Kristina Martin - November 27, 2020 at 11:24 PM



Yes, red was Jan's signature color.

Kathy Grant - November 29, 2020 at 01:59 PM

TR

“ What a sweet lady she was. Always had a kind word when we saw her and she was a great daughter to her parents. She is rejoicing in heaven with them. Prayers to her beautiful families
Willie & Terrie Rhymer
Dongola Illinois

terrie rhymer - November 27, 2020 at 09:12 PM