



## Janie Solomon

May 7, 1938 - February 2, 2018

Janie Solomon, considered a Cairo icon and friend to so many of its citizens, died on February 2, 2018 at the Chateau Girardeau. She was 79.

Affectionately known as Jane Jane, Janie loved and passionately defended Cairo while living there her whole life. She worked at the Cairo Public Utility for 57 years. Throughout her life, Janie maintained her Jewish identity and decorated her cherished home with Jewish symbols.

Janie was a board member of the Cairo Public Library, Southern Pride Seniors, Community Health, Cairo Riverboat Days, and the Alexander County Cancer Dinner. She was Chamber of Commerce director, past president of the Gingko Garden Club, Theta Phi Sorority member, and Cairo Elks Club #651 member. When asked why she joined so many organizations, Janie replied, as only she could, "Because it will look good in my obituary."

Stubborn and unselfish, Janie gave generously to many and loved knowing the latest news. She was constantly on the go, whether to weekly bridge games, Upward children basketball games, or the Cairo Elks Club, where she became a member when women were allowed to join.

Janie was the beloved daughter of the late Jeanette and Julius Solomon, whom she lovingly cared for in their later years. She was predeceased by her

sister, Carole Phyllis Sarasohn.

Janie is survived by her beloved brother Morris Solomon (Carol); niece Jessica Goldsmith (Jeffrey); nephew Jonathan Solomon (Amanda); nephew Louis Sarasohn; niece Mira Griffith (Eddie); and her great-niece and nephews Daniel Solomon, Joshua Solomon, Miles Goldsmith, Violet Goldsmith, and Benjamin Sarasohn. She is also survived by many dear friends, who were her Cairo family.

Graveside services will be held at 12:30 pm, Sunday, February 4, 2018 at B'nai Amoona Cemetery in St. Louis with Rabbi Neal Rose officiating, where Janie will be buried next to her parents. A memorial service will be held for Janie in Cairo at a future date.

In lieu of flowers, donations in Janie's memory may be made to the Cairo Public Library (1609 Washington Avenue, Cairo, IL 62914).

Crain Funeral Home in Cairo is in charge of the arrangements.

# Tribute Wall



“ *Janie Solomon*

October 23, 2023 at 06:26 AM



“ *Janie was my neighbor on 25th street when I was growing up in Cairo. I am sure her mother was horrified as Janie allowed me to use their piano to practice my lessons. She was always chasing the stubborn me out of their Magnolia tree. Every Sunday morning when we arrived home from church she stopped by we never knocked on doors but just walked in talking away to announce our arrival. Janie was a dear person even after we moved to Mounds then Paducah and had supper at Harpers with her the night before I was moving to Texas. What a dear heart she was to the little girl next door. Susan Scheffer Duncan*

susan scheffer duncan - July 15, 2023 at 12:05 AM



“ *Janie has been a friend for as long as I can remember. I will certainly miss her. There was only one like her! My prayers go out to Morris & all the family.  
Chari Bourland Willis*

Chari Willis - February 02, 2018 at 10:17 PM



“ *Jane Jane you were a true Cairoite! You could ride a bike, tell the news of Cairo, and share a recipe all while we were riding up and down Washington Avenue! You were so loyal to the Jewish faith! You made your mom and dad proud!*

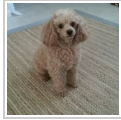
Jan Clinton Martell - February 02, 2018 at 09:24 PM

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*Janie was a good lady kinda of hard but liked by so many folks I miss seeing her frown at the desk at coy. every now and then you could get her to smile. She will be missed*

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**Michael gene** - February 03, 2018 at 01:34 PM



*She and I graduated from CHS and I remember her as a sweet kid. I admire her devotion and dedication to Cairo while the rest of us fled. Rest in peace dear classmate.*

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**Kay Routh** - February 04, 2018 at 09:16 AM