



## Joann Fields

February 1, 1934 - May 2, 2012

Joann Vaccaro Fields, 78, of Belle Vernon, passed away Wednesday, May 2, 2012, with her loving family at her side. A daughter of the late Gasper and Catherine Ambrose Vaccaro, she was born on Feb. 1, 1934. Besides her parents, she was preceded in death by her son, Dickie Fields, grandson, Jasen Winget, sister, Adele ""Punky"" Nelson, and brother, Charles ""Buzzy"" Vaccaro. She is survived by her devoted husband of 59 years, Dick Fields; daughter and son-in-law, Jodie and Jim Winget of Greer, SC; sons and daughters-in-law, Mike and Libby Fields, of Belle Vernon, and David and Vonda Fields, of Orlando, FL; six grandchildren, Jarret Winget, Autumn, Austin, Garret, Connor, and Morgan Fields; her sister, Cathi (Marshall) Carpenter of Monessen; and brother-in-law, Arnold Nelson, of The Villages, FL; sister-in-law, My-Hoa Vaccaro of Australia; nieces, Barb (Tim) Mayer, Patti (Mike) Seacrist, Linh Vaccaro, and Kerri Carpenter; nephews, David(Lorrie) Nelson, Kenny (Pam) VonBergen, Brian (Katy) VonBergen, Peter Vaccaro, and Kevin Carpenter, as well as numerous great nieces, nephews, and cousins. She was a graduate of Montifore School of Nursing carrying her RN licenses in SC, FL, and PA. She worked for many years at Mon Valley and Jefferson Hospitals and with the practices of Dr. James Elmore and Dr. Ronald Salvitti. She was a committed runner, and a well-known participant in many local races receiving all first place medals. She was an avid traveler in and out of the US including a medical missionary trip to Kenya. Her boundless energy and passion for learning continued into her retirement, evidenced by

her most recent job at Universal Studios in Orlando, Fl, where she made her winter home in nearby Leesburg. She loved to play the piano and spend time with her grandchildren. She was an active member of the Belle Vernon First Presbyterian Church. Friends will be received 7 to 9 P.M. Sunday and 2 to 4 and 7 to 9 P.M. Monday in the Ferguson Funeral Home and Crematory, Inc., 700 Broad Avenue, Belle Vernon. [www.FergusonFuneralHomeAndCrematory.com](http://www.FergusonFuneralHomeAndCrematory.com) 724-929-5300. Funeral services will be in the First Presbyterian Church, 501 Fayette Avenue, Belle Vernon, at 11 A.M. Tuesday with Rev. Suzanne Currie officiating. Interment will follow in Belle Vernon Cemetery. The officers and members of the First Presbyterian Church will meet in the funeral home Sunday at 7 P.M. to hold services. If friends wish, memorial donations, in Joann's memory, may be made to the First Presbyterian Church.

# Tribute Wall

JP

“ *I am very sorry for your loss.*

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**Jim Pollacci** - January 01, 1900 at 12:00 AM

SU

“ *So sorry*

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**Sue** - January 01, 1900 at 12:00 AM

PV

“ *So sorry to hear the loss of a most kind, giving and affectionate aunt. On behalf of the family in Sydney Australia, we send our love and condolences. We regret that many of us are unable to attend the funeral and to share great and loving memories of Aunt Joann.*

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**Peter Le Vaccaro** - January 01, 1900 at 12:00 AM

CC

“ *Dear Fields Family, I am so sorry to hear from my family of your loss. I have many fond memories of times spent at your home and the love and warmth of Mrs. Fields. She nursed my father in his end days and was one of the influences in my choosing nursing as a career. You are blessed to have had her in your lives. I am keeping you all in my thoughts and prayers for God's peace, comfort and loving embrace.*

*In Christ's Love,  
Chris*

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**Chris (Grados) Cheves** - January 01, 1900 at 12:00 AM

LM

“ So very sad to hear of her passing. I just recently was blessed to have met Joann, unfortunately it was because of her grandson's funeral. It took only a few minutes of talking with her, to see where her daughter got her fun spirit & great love for others. I know how much she will be missed. And I will never attend another family gathering, without remembering Joann, and thinking that each family member needs their own special colored beverage cup :)  
With love & prayers to her whole family- Laura

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**Laura McCloskey** - January 01, 1900 at 12:00 AM

BL

“ To Mike and Dave...I was so sorry to read of your huge loss. She was lovely. I know what it is like to lose a parent...you are just never prepared ...no matter how old we are. Please accept my condolences. Love, BSue

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**Bobbi Sue Lewis** - January 01, 1900 at 12:00 AM

MV

“ My sweet Joann, I love you dearly. You may join your brother Buzz by now but I miss both of you terribly. Rest in peace, sister. To the Fields family, Joann will live forever in our heart. My-Hoa Vaccaro

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**My-Hoa Vaccaro** - January 01, 1900 at 12:00 AM

MV

“ My sweet Joann, I love you dearly. You may join your brother Buzz by now but I miss both of you terribly. Rest in peace, sister. My-Hoa Vaccaro

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**My-Hoa Vaccaro** - January 01, 1900 at 12:00 AM

AC

“ Bobby and I are so very sorry. I always watched Joann run by my home, and Dick also..I will really miss her. God bless her and her family.

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**Anna Mary Cochran** - January 01, 1900 at 12:00 AM

AN

“ I've known Joann for over 50 years. She worked most of her life, mostly in nursing and she raised 3 children. She was a fantastic aunt to my children. She always kept in touch with them remembering the birthdays and also the spouses birthdays. he was my wife's (Adele)best friend. I often what our lives would be like if they both lived longer.

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**Arnie Nelson** - January 01, 1900 at 12:00 AM

MP

“ I went thru nursing school with Joann at Montefiore and about ten Yrs. Jo and I met up again working at Dr. Sals, I thoroughly enjoyed our renewed friendship. I know u all will miss her very much..she was a delight to know and work with. My Deepest and most sincere sympathies, Marie Krall Perkins  
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**Marie S. Perkins** - January 01, 1900 at 12:00 AM