



## JoAnn Erhart

January 26, 1929 - January 4, 2015

JoAnn (Christman) Erhart, 85 of Bronson, Michigan and a former Bluffton resident passed away at 5:55 a.m. Sunday, January 4, 2015 at Community Health Center in Coldwater, Michigan.

JoAnn was born on January 26, 1929 in Bluffton to William Theron and Genevieve Irene (Baker) Christman. On August 29, 1948 in Bluffton, she married Kenneth D. Erhart. He preceded her in death on October 14, 1973.

JoAnn and Kenny moved to Decatur in 1958 where she was a Cub Scout leader and a Parapro in the elementary classes at North Adams Community Schools. In 1971 they moved to New Paris where she worked at Johnson Controls in Goshen. In 1997 JoAnn moved to Bronson Michigan. She will be remembered as an animal lover extraordinaire. She helped any of God's creatures in need.

JoAnn is survived by her three children; Kim (Sharon) Erhart of Lake Mary, FL, Karen (Kevin) Williams of Bronson, MI, Doug (Wendy) Erhart of Maryville, IL, five grandchildren; Ashley (Adam) Clegg of Sorrento, FL, Erin (Brian) McGowen and Colby Erhart of O'Fallon, MO, Dr. Kyle (Jennifer Freeborg) Williams of Midland, MI, Kellie (David Broome) Williams of Detroit, MI. and step-granddaughter, Katie Campbell and three great-grandchildren, Cameron Erhart, Blake Erhart and Rory McGowen and sister-in-law Donna Christman.

JoAnn is preceded in death by her brother William "Bill" Christman.

A Private Family Graveside Service will be held at Six Mile Cemetery.

In lieu of flowers memorials may be made to Animal Aid of Branch County Michigan. Funeral arrangements have been entrusted to the care of the Thoma/Rich, Lemler Funeral Home in Bluffton. Friends can send online condolences to the Erhart family at [www.thomarich.com](http://www.thomarich.com).

# Cemetery Details

## Six Mile Cemetery

4795 SE State Road 116  
Bluffton, IN

# Tribute Wall



“ *JoAnn Erhart*

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September 08, 2022 at 08:26 PM



“ *Remembering JoAnn fondly . I worked with her at Johnson Controls in the 1970's.*

*From Karla Newcomer*

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**Karla Newcomer** - January 12, 2015 at 03:07 PM



“ *Dear Family Members of Joan, I was Joan's Maid of Honor in her wedding and she was one of my bridesmaids. We graduated from Bluffton High School together in 1946. We keep in contact with each other over the years until the last two years or so I could not get an answer from her to the numerous letters, birthday cards or phone calls. I did not know what happened to her. Until we saw the obituary in the Ft. Wayne Journal Gazette. We certainly are in shock and would like to hear from the family as to what she died from. I have many wonderful memories of going to the Lake with her over the week-end and many other good times too numerous to mention while growing up*

*Woul one of you please write me ? Ines Gillespie, 333 Hale Drive, Wabash, In. 46992*

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**Ines Gillespie** - January 10, 2015 at 09:24 AM



“ *Fields of Europe was purchased for the family of JoAnn Erhart.*



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January 08, 2015 at 05:52 PM



“ *I did not have the pleasure of meeting JoAnn, but we know her son Kim very well and consider him a great dear friend. Knowing how kind, caring, and thoughtful he is and what a terrific Dad he is to Ashley, we can only imagine what a wonderful Mom JoAnn must have been. Our thoughts and prayers are with the Erhart family. We hope that during this sad time they will cherish the fond memories and know she is at peace.*

*Terry and Marieanne Syverson*

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**Terry and Marieanne Syverson** - January 08, 2015 at 04:05 PM



“ *Cherished Memories - All White was purchased for the family of JoAnn Erhart.*



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January 08, 2015 at 03:52 PM



“ *JoAnn (and Kenny) will always be close to our hearts. Sending our thoughts and prayers to you all. Rose Ellen Rolfe and Ed and Malinda Frybarger*

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**Malinda Frybargerq** - January 06, 2015 at 08:45 PM

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“ We are so sorry to hear of JoAnn's passing. She was a caring person who loved the animals. We built our house shortly before JoAnn moved to Bronson. A year or so later we bought a golden retriever puppy (Jake). JoAnn loved to walk Jackie (Karen's dog) & she would always make sure she stopped by and let the dogs play for a while. She enjoyed it as much as the dogs did. She would always stop & visit and say HI when we were outside. She will be missed by all.

*The Sikorski's  
Dennis, Lisa, Lindsey, Allie and Brett*

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**Dennis Sikorski** - January 06, 2015 at 02:50 PM

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“ Words can not express my sorrow at this sad time. She will be missed here at the apartment. We all shared some good times together. Norma Szafranski



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**Norma Szafranski** - January 06, 2015 at 11:56 AM