



Jan Shapard

August 24, 2019

Jan Shapard, 72, passed away suddenly on Saturday, August 24, at her home. A native of Shelbyville, she called Nashville, Memphis, Des Moines, IA, and Pasadena, CA home before settling in Murfreesboro in 2003.

She is preceded in death by her parents, Sam McClanahan and Carleen Neese McClanahan, and brother, Ray McClanahan. She is survived by sons, Matt Shapard of Des Moines, IA, and Seth (Anna) Shapard of New Orleans, LA; grandchildren, Danielle (Jacob) Yaw, Dominic Lincoln and Jacob Lincoln; great-grandchildren, Jayden and Leilani; brother, Carl (Pam) McClanahan of Shelbyville; sisters, Karen (Dwight) Bledsoe and Sharon McClanahan of Pulaski, Cathy (Pete) Kinser of Hoover, AL, and Debbie McClanahan of Murfreesboro. She is also survived by many nieces and nephews, great nieces and nephews, and great, great nieces and nephews.

Jan worked in the health insurance industry for over 40 years, specializing in healthcare fraud investigation. She was passionate about her family, politics, her annual Aces and Spaces Bridge Club Retreats (number 36 this year), and her extensive network of friends from Southern California to upper-state New York.

Visitation with the family will be Tuesday, August 27, 2019 from 4:00 PM to 7:00 PM at Jennings & Ayers Funeral Home and Cremation Services, 820 Church Street, Murfreesboro, TN. A celebration of life service will be held on Wednesday, August 28, 2019, at 10:00 AM in Jennings & Ayers Chapel with Rev. Dwight Bledsoe officiating. A graveside service will follow at 12:00 PM in Marshall County at Hopper Cemetery. Please leave condolences at www.jenningsandayers.com. Jennings and Ayers Funeral Home and Cremation, 820 South Church Street, Murfreesboro, TN 37130. 615-893-2422

Cemetery

Events

Hopper Cemetery

Laws Hill

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Visitation

04:00PM - 07:00PM

Jennings and Ayers Funeral Home and Cremation

820 South Church Street, Murfreesboro, TN, US, 37130

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Celebration of Life

10:00AM

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Graveside Service 12:00PM

Hopper Cemetery

Laws Hill, US

Comments



“ I worked closely with Jan. She was my mentor, she was honest, with true integrity you don't see much anymore unfortunately. She was on a mission and I was on it with her. It is with great sadness when I learned of her passing. The world lost a great crusader and investigator. I am privileged and proud to have known her.
April Reynolds

April Reynolds - March 26 at 11:37 PM



“ Seth, we are truly sorry to hear of your Mom's passing. Our thoughts and prayers are with you and your family.
Your Mom was a sweet heart.
I still remember the Thanksgiving she spent with us. I still have the pictures of her, Nessa, Janna and Sheena sitting in the garage playing cards.
The day after Thanksgiving we went to eat at Cannon's at Oakwood Mall.
Wonderful memories.
Sending our love to you and your family.
Maning and Donna

Donna & Maning Lasala - August 27, 2019 at 08:11 PM



“ Beautiful Heart Bouquet was purchased for the family of Jan Shapard.



August 27, 2019 at 04:26 PM



“ Enchanted Cottage was purchased for the family of Jan Shapard.



August 27, 2019 at 01:03 PM



“ I met my dear friend Jan when we worked at Southern California Edison in Pasadena, California 1994. We became friends and kept in touch all these years. She introduced me to “fraudulent billing”. She was an exemplar role model and worked with passion to prevent insurance loss. Her entire career was devoted in identifying fraudulent providers of healthcare services. Above all her many talents —Jan was a wonderful caring friend. Her passion for all life has to offer will stay with me and all those who knew her. I will Think of her often and be reminded of her great hearty laugh. She has left a legacy for those of us who knew her on this earth: passion for justice, kindness and love of family and friends.



Charleen Zakarian - August 26, 2019 at 10:53 PM



“ Arrive in Style was purchased for the family of Jan Shapard.



August 26, 2019 at 05:32 PM



“ Grateful to have known Jan, such a caring and compassionate person who worked so hard to educate and enlighten all of us about the ins and outs of healthcare. Friendly, warm, kind and always with a ready smile. A true loss for all of us.
Linda Sullivan

Linda Sullivan - August 26, 2019 at 05:08 PM



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August 26, 2019 at 04:02 PM



“ In January of 2004, Jan and I were two of 5 people from Rutherford County who drove to Iowa to campaign for Howard Dean. We returned to Murfreesboro just in time to hear the so-called "Scream Speech" by Dean, whose campaign was destroyed by the networks silencing the background noise from the crowd so that it appeared that he was yelling wildly, when actually he was just yelling to be heard over the din.

Jan and I had not met before this adventure, but we did meet many times afterwards at Democratic Party events. We shared the bond of common values and the desire for honest, effective and humane government. Jan worked very hard to try to get Medicaid expanded in Tennessee, and her efforts will always be remembered and appreciated by those who worked with her. She was a very fine human being.

Kathleen Ferris
Murfreesboro, TN

Kathleen Ferris - August 26, 2019 at 03:17 PM



“ God's richest blessings on the Shapard family and the McClanahan families in all of their extentions. May our Lord grant you peace and comfort during this time of sorrow.

Pete

Pete Kinser - August 26, 2019 at 01:45 PM



“ Lavender Reflections Spray was purchased for the family of Jan Shapard.



August 26, 2019 at 12:44 PM



“ Aces and Spaces Bridge Club purchased the Basket of Memories for the family of Jan Shapard.



Aces and Spaces Bridge Club - August 26, 2019 at 12:33 PM



“ Pretty Please was purchased for the family of Jan Shapard.



August 26, 2019 at 12:27 PM



“ Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum was purchased for the family of Jan Shapard.



August 26, 2019 at 08:39 AM



“ I knew Jan for a brief time but I was impressed by her intelligent, compassionate nature and the way she always cared for others. I am so sorry for the loss of this wonderful lady. Prayers for the family during this time of sadness. She will never be forgotten.

Kimberli Rose - August 25, 2019 at 11:52 PM



“ Jan worked diligently to educate and raise public awareness about the ins and outs of the Affordable Care Act and the importance of making healthcare available and obtainable to all Tennesseans. No one knew the inner workings of the healthcare and insurance industries better than Jan and she spent her lifetime trying to make sure that the public was well-served by both. She also readily and generously shared her knowledge and expertise in any way she felt could be beneficial which included sending letters to the editor, doing radio talk shows, and joining candidates on the campaign to spread the word about the ACA. It was my pleasure and honor to have spent time as her comrade-in-arms in this endeavor. Her dedication and commitment to honesty, fairness and equality for all people was an inspiration to those of us who had the pleasure of knowing her. Jan was a woman of strength, dignity, and character who will be sorely missed.

Chloe Cerutti, friend, compatriot, and fellow Democrat.

Chloe Cerutti - August 25, 2019 at 11:15 PM



“ Jan was a valuable and dedicated researcher re: the health care industry. She understood everything ! We need her. Her disposition and manner will always be remembered by people who knew her. I am very sad. Pat Pelot Sanders, Murfreesboro, TN.

Patricia (Pat) Sanders - August 25, 2019 at 11:11 PM



“ Lavender Reflections Spray was purchased for the family of Jan Shapard.



August 25, 2019 at 10:54 PM



“ Jan was a real warrior for those people who had no voice themselves. I enjoyed her political commentaries and insights. We'll miss her! Kay Carter

Kay Carter - August 25, 2019 at 07:34 PM



“ Jan was a fun, smart, and delightful lady. I met her through political activities and really go to know her playing bridge. I will miss her knowledge, smile, and shap bridge playing.

Charlsie Sue Sheldon - August 25, 2019 at 06:22 PM



“ I knew Jan through politics. She was a wonderful person -- so knowledgeable, warm, and a great activist for the under and uninsured. I will miss her very much. My deepest sympathies to her family for the loss of your dear Jan.

Peggy Swann
Murfreesboro, TN



Peggy Swann - August 25, 2019 at 06:19 PM



“ Charlsie Sue Sheldon lit a candle in memory of Jan Shapard



Charlsie Sue Sheldon - August 25, 2019 at 06:11 PM



“ Matt and Seth so sorry for the loss of your Mother, I have not seen her in a long time. Your Cousin in Fayetteville, TN. I am kin on your Daddy's side. You boys will be in my Prayers.
Joyce Kelso Johnson.

Joyce Kelso Johnson - August 26, 2019 at 08:31 PM