



Joan Paulette (Kroboth) Rolin

January 10, 2025

Joan Paulette (Kroboth) Rolin, age 83, passed away peacefully on January 10, 2025. Born on June 11, 1941, in Pittsburgh, she was the beloved daughter of the late Frank John and Josephine Stango Kroboth Jr.

Joan was a proud graduate of Indiana University of Pennsylvania and began her career as a 6th grade teacher in the Moon School District, where she was cherished by her students. She transitioned to the role of homemaker upon the birth of her son, who was her pride and joy. Joan's nurturing spirit and unwavering love made her the surrogate mother to all who entered her home, ensuring they were always well-fed and content. She had a heart of gold.

Renowned for her culinary skills, Joan's Italian dishes brought joy to anyone fortunate enough to taste them. Her passion for gardening was evident in the vibrant blooms that adorned her home, especially her beloved lilacs and the vegetables she grew on her deck, showcasing her nurturing nature.

Joan was a woman of many talents, but most importantly, she embodied love and selflessness. Her gentle and kind nature brought comfort and strength to her family, whom she adored above all else. Joan had a unique gift for sending heartfelt cards and notes, always managing to brighten the days of those fortunate enough to receive them. We all eagerly awaited the arrival of her cheerful messages in the mail.

Joan is survived by her loving husband of over 60 years, John Louis Rolin III; her son, John Shane Rolin and his wife Marianne Rose (Echard) Rolin of Latrobe; her two grandchildren, Mira Rose Rolin and Xavier John Rolin of

Latrobe; and her brother, Frank John Kroboth III of Robinson Township. Her dedication to her son was unwavering, and her legacy lives on through him and his family. She was a cherished grandmother to Mira and Xavier, caring for them as they grew up.

Those who knew Joan will remember her as the epitome of loving kindness. Her gentle ways and selfless nature left an indelible mark on the hearts of those she touched. She was a beacon of warmth and generosity, always putting others before herself and exemplifying a life filled with grace.

As we bid farewell to Joan, we celebrate a life lived with purpose and unconditional love. Her memory will be cherished and honored by all who were privileged to know her. Joan's legacy of love, her passion for life, and her nurturing spirit will continue to flourish in the lives of her family and friends. As the seasons change and flowers bloom, we will remember Joan, whose life was as beautiful and resplendent as the gardens she so lovingly tended.

In accordance with the family's wishes, a private visitation will be held for Joan at GENE H. CORL FUNERAL CHAPEL INC. AND CREMATION SERVICES OF MONROEVILLE.

To view the online obituary, send condolences, or flowers, please visit www.corlfuneralchapel.com

Tribute Wall

DS

“ *DIANA STERNER lit a candle in memory of Joan (Kroboth) Rolin*



DIANA STERNER - December 03, 2025 at 08:27 PM

DS

“ *I am so sorry to hear of the passing of Joan. I haven't heard from her awhile and tried calling her and the phone number was disconnected and didn't know else to find her so I started looking on her city and I'm so sorry I am seeing this. Joan was my Moms Annette Naples cousin. Joan would call my Mom all the time while my Mom was not well. Every phone call ended with Joan telling my Mom the prayer " Now I lay me down to sleep, I pray the Lord my soul to keep; If I should die before I wake, I pray the Lord my Soul to take. " My Mom loved Joan so much and loved that prayer everytime they spoke. Joan would always send my Mom cards and letters to cheer her up. She was sweetest. Although we never met but spoke often via texting and phone I felt like she was my friend too. You are going to miss my sweet Joan. Now that you are reunited with my Mom I hope you are laughing and having fun talking about the fun times you shared. I'll miss our texts and talks but I'm glad that Joan and Mom are finally together again. Sending my deepest sympathy to Joan's family. 🙏📧
Diana Sterner (Joan's 1st Cousin Annette Naples daughter.)*

DIANA STERNER - December 03, 2025 at 08:25 PM

MD

“ Miss Kroboth was my sixth grade teacher at Bon Meade Elementary in Moon Township during 1963/1964. I had transferred in from a parochial school in Michigan and was a fish out of water. She helped with my transition to public school. She was a passionate teacher who cared deeply about her students. I have remembered her kindness for more than 60 years. My condolences to her family.
Mary Kay Duffy

Mary Kay Duffy - July 16, 2025 at 12:06 AM



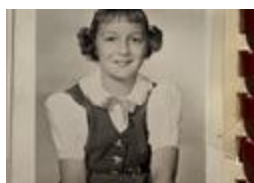
“ A sympathy card was purchased for the family of Joan Paulette (Kroboth) Rolin.



January 20, 2025 at 12:43 PM

SR

“ 12 files added to the album Joan's Life #3



Shane Rolin - January 18, 2025 at 10:28 AM

SR

“ I just want to say a few words about my dear sister Joan. As I look back on all of my memories, I will miss Joan so much and will miss all of our conversations about recipes and food preparation. And all the great food and recipes our mom made from scratch. I certainly will not forget the days we talked and reminisced about things we did as children and our family memories. Both my sister and I shared a passion for food preparation. Joan also was a wonderful baker and in the days when she was still able to visit she would come with a shopping bag full of goodies! I always loved her pizzelles! Joan also loved her profession as a teacher and she loved being able to interact with the children! I remember the small school where she started her teaching career. Joan was a soft spoken, quiet and thoughtful person who was willing to do anything for anyone. She always remembered special occasions and birthdays with a thoughtful card and note. She would willingly prepare food for me or Shane’s friends or anyone who stopped over her house without a thought no matter if it was day or night! I can never remember a time that we argued or disagreed. I pray that God watches over her in heaven and that she is reunited with our mom and dad. I will miss her dearly. Love, Your brother Frank.

Shane Rolin - January 18, 2025 at 10:24 AM

SR

“ 6 files added to the album *Marianne and Shane wedding 1994*



Shane Rolin - January 16, 2025 at 12:28 PM

SR

“ 14 files added to the album *Joan's Life #2*



Shane Rolin - January 16, 2025 at 10:48 AM

DK

“ *John, my sincere condolences for your profound loss. May you find comfort in the support of friends and family.*
Don Krewin

Donald Krewin - January 15, 2025 at 11:17 AM

SR

“ 8 files added to the album Joan's life



Shane Rolin - January 15, 2025 at 10:16 AM

SR

“ On Friday night, January 10 at 9pm, God gained an Angel and we lost our mom, sister, grandma and wife.

Mom had gone downhill health wise over the past 6 weeks and was taken to the hospital 1/6.

Her main issue was that her heart had given all that it could over her 83 years and was tired.

She took her last breath here on earth with her husband of 60 years, John.

Joan Paulette Rolin (Kroboth), June 11, 1941, went to be with God as her servant to spread happiness to those around her. Joan was a wonderful wife, great mom and most of all a loving Grandma.

The pinnacle of her life was to watch Marianne give birth to her Granddaughter Mira in Laguna Hills, CA with the our other Grandma Norma Echard (2023). From that point on she was a devoted grandma to Mira and Xavier. She so much enjoyed playing and giving life lessons to our two children and showing them through her actions and spirit how much she loved them. She absolutely loved making them small dishes of food all nicely arranged and just spending time with them.

Joan was known as an outstanding housewife after she gave up her elementary school teaching career to raise her son (me). As has been said many times, as soon as you came in the door mom would always ask "Can I make you some food?" She made great dishes but we all enjoyed her handmade cakes and pizzelles.

She was highly regarded in the 90's while teaching at Early Childhood Learning Center and that enabled her to continue spreading her love to a new generation of children. Not once, ever, did my mom ever use a profanity in front of me. She was loving and kind to everyone.

She deeply loved her only sibling Frank and even though health ailments would keep them separated by 30 miles, they routinely texted and talked on the phone.

Joan was well known for her creativity especially with cards, and we will always be fond of her beautiful handwriting and personality that came out in her letters.

She also enjoyed the new form of communication by texting emojis to the entire family as it was her new way of expressing herself! Mom was an avid talk radio listener and loved to watch Pittsburgh sports teams as much as possible, win or lose.

She was a dear friend to Norma Echard (2023) and wrote her routinely to encourage her and try to lift her spirits.

Mom, we love you so much and hope that you're at peace now pain free and happy being a ray of light to your friends and family who proceeded you. You were a fantastic, kind soul. Love, your Son, Shane.

Shane Rolin - January 15, 2025 at 10:10 AM

AL

So beautifully written Shane. My deepest condolences to you, your dad, Mira, X, Marianne and all your mom's friends and family. She was a beautiful person and always such a pleasure to be around. My mother enjoyed spending time with Joan. My sincerest sympathy. Joan will be so missed by all.

alyce - January 15, 2025 at 09:43 PM

HA

“ *John, Shane and Family,*

I am so very sorry to hear about my dear friend Joan's passing. Joan was such a warm and caring person. I met her around 1988 when she applied for a part time teaching position at ECLC Learning Center. She was hired that day as a substitute teacher. She was always so pleasant when I would call her early in the morning (probably waking her up) and she always came prepared with her bag of crafts and books. The children always were happy to see her.

As with time and retirement from ECLC, Joan, Marlene, Mary and I kept in touch through the years. We would meet for lunch at Denunzio's or the Olive Garden and share stories about our kids and then our grandkids. We also enjoyed the Rivers and the Meadows. We sure weren't big winners but we had fun together. We also went on some day trips like Smicksburg and enjoying Bobby Vinton's show in Ohio.

Joan was so creative with her one-of-a-kind holiday cards and special notes. We would share recipes and even started our own "Tomato Club." Every summer, we all would order through Roberta's or the Boy Scouts and compare our tomato plants and brag about how delicious they were especially with Isaly's Chipped Ham and Italian Bread.

I am so glad that I have these special memories and feel very blessed to have had Joan as one of my dearest friends. May she rest in peace!

*With Love,
Harriet Q.*

Harriet - January 15, 2025 at 10:08 AM

MA

“ I first met Joan around 1989 while working together at Early Childhood Learning Center. I was in awe of how the little children hovered around her - she was their security blanket until their parents arrived. Over the years, we became close friends, sharing stories as we watched our children grow and later became proud grandparents. I will deeply miss her giggles, her warmth that drew everyone close to her, the personalized greeting cards she always sent and her advice on growing the best tomatoes. But most of all, I will miss my dear friend Joan.

My deepest sympathy to John, Shane and family,

Marlene B.

Marlene - January 15, 2025 at 10:07 AM

AM

“ Our deepest condolences to the entire Rolin family. We grew up on Southridge Dr and have so many memories of Mrs Rolin and how sweet and kind she was to everyone. She will be greatly missed by everyone who was blessed to know her. Alex and Angie Marton

Alex Marton - January 14, 2025 at 09:14 PM

LB

“ Joan was the dearest person. everything written in the obituary was 100% her. i will miss talking to her at family gatherings. she will be remembered fondly !!!! Linda Berish

Linda Berish - January 14, 2025 at 03:18 PM