



## Amanda "Joan" Stewart

March 12, 1927 - March 21, 2018

Amanda "Joan" Stewart, age 91 years, a resident of rural Vienna, passed away Wednesday morning, March 21, 2018, at 8:30 AM at her home.

Joan, as she was affectionately known, was born March 12, 1927 in Vienna. She was the daughter of Harry and Margaret Elizabeth (Sanders) Alsip.

On February 9, 1946, Joan was united in marriage to Bain O. Stewart in Aurora, Illinois. He preceded her in death on April 15, 2014.

Survivors include: her daughter – Belinda "Susie" Cline of Vienna along with Joan's "babies" Blueberry, Tinker, and many outside farm cats, whom she loved dearly and considered to be part of her family. Joan also leaves a host of nieces, nephews, cousins and many dear friends.

In addition to her parents and husband, Joan was preceded in death by an infant son – Richard Alan Stewart.

Joan was a 1945 graduate of Vienna High School. Joan began her working career as a telephone operator at the Vienna switchboard office. Later, following her marriage to Bain, she was a devoted military wife and homemaker. In 1956, the family was moved to California. Later, they lived in Japan, Hawaii, Colorado and South Carolina. During all of these assignments,

Joan became actively involved in a number of clubs and organizations. Following Bain's retirement from the U.S. Air Force, he and Joan retired to a farm in Johnson County. Joan accepted the position as the librarian at the Vienna Carnegie Library and served until her retirement in the 1990's.

Bain and Joan were charter members of the Countryside Christian Church. She was a longtime member of the Pond Community Lady's Club, of which her mother-in-law was a charter member in the early 1900's. Joan was also a member of the Bloomfield Gals (Red Hat Society). She enjoyed making handcrafted ceramic items and had a passion for reading and particularly enjoyed biographies and mystery novels.

Joan is remembered as "a social butterfly" for her love of visiting and spending time with family and friends. She also loved to spend time with her "babies," her feline companions.

A service honoring the life of Joan Stewart will be held Monday afternoon, March 26, 2018, at 1 PM at Countryside Christian Church, 135 Dameron Lane, Vienna, Illinois. Brother Bill Littrell and Brother Randall Henard will officiate. Burial will be in the Vienna Fraternal Cemetery.

Visitation will be conducted Sunday evening, March 25, 2018, from 5 PM – 8 PM at Bailey Funeral Home and from 12 Noon – 1 PM Monday, March 26, 2018, at Countryside Christian Church.

Memorials may be made to St. Jude Children's Research Hospital, 501 St. Jude Place, Memphis, Tennessee 38105-1905 or to Hospice of Southern Illinois, 204 Halfway Road, Marion, IL 62959.

# Cemetery Details

## Vienna Fraternal Cemetery

N. 6th Street  
Vienna, IL

# Previous Events

## Visitation

MAR **25**. 5:00 PM - 8:00 PM (CT)

Bailey Funeral Home  
705 North First Street  
PO Box 695  
Vienna, IL 62995  
(618) 658-2311  
baileyfhinc@hotmail.com  
<https://baileyfh.com>

## Visitation

MAR **26**. 12:00 PM - 1:00 PM (CT)

Countryside Christian Church  
135 Dameron Lane  
Vienna, IL

## Service

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MAR **26**. 1:00 PM (CT)

Countryside Christian Church  
135 Dameron Lane  
Vienna, IL

# Tribute Wall



“ *Bailey Funeral Home created a Tribute Video in memory of Amanda "Joan" Stewart*



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**Bailey Funeral Home** - March 25, 2018 at 02:19 PM



“ *Amanda "Joan" Stewart*

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January 30, 2023 at 12:19 AM



“ *Susie, I am sorry to hear about the death of your mother. She was a very nice and caring person. You are in our prayers.*

*Herman and Valerie Lyle*

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**Herman O. Lyle, Jr., M.D.** - March 26, 2018 at 11:11 AM



“ *Aunt Susie I am so sorry to hear this. Please know Ryan and I love you and are thinking and praying for you during this incredibly difficult time.*



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**Jen** - March 25, 2018 at 05:49 PM

VB

“ Vonda Burnam sent a virtual gift in memory of Amanda "Joan" Stewart



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**Vonda Burnam** - March 25, 2018 at 10:40 AM

VB

*Joan let Tina & I help in the Library when we were in grade school. Beautiful inside and out.*

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**Vonda Burnam** - March 25, 2018 at 10:41 AM

JH

“ Jill Hall lit a candle in memory of Amanda "Joan" Stewart



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**Jill Hall** - March 23, 2018 at 10:55 PM

JH

“ I knew Joan best when I was in grade school and she was a noon time monitor. She was always such a fantastic person and just a generally sweet spirit.

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**Jill Hall** - March 23, 2018 at 10:55 PM

DH

“ Dennis And Pat Harner lit a candle in memory of Amanda "Joan" Stewart



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**Dennis and Pat Harner** - March 22, 2018 at 09:07 PM

PS

“ Susie, I am so very sorry for your loss, God bless you! 🙏🙏

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**Patti Jobe Stahl** - March 22, 2018 at 08:22 PM

EC

“ Susie, so sorry to hear of your mom's passing. She was a very special lady and will be greatly missed by those that new her. We will keep you in our thoughts and prayers.  
Craig and Ellen Carlton

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**Ellen Carlton** - March 22, 2018 at 08:09 PM

CH

“ Cheryl Harris lit a candle in memory of Amanda "Joan" Stewart



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**Cheryl Harris** - March 22, 2018 at 05:58 PM



“ *Susie, so very sorry for your loss, your Mom was a very special Lady, your Mom and Dad were good people, wonderful neighbors, we loved them both, Maria & Ivan.*



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**Maria Vaughn** - March 22, 2018 at 03:45 PM



“ *Linda And Jeff Mathis lit a candle in memory of Amanda "Joan" Stewart*



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**Linda and Jeff Mathis** - March 22, 2018 at 10:33 AM

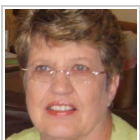


“ *Bill&Nancy Belford lit a candle in memory of Amanda "Joan" Stewart*



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**Bill&Nancy Belford** - March 22, 2018 at 08:59 AM

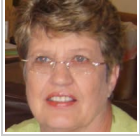


“ *In memory of a very classy lady, Joan Stewart.*



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**Elaine Rotan** - March 22, 2018 at 08:43 AM



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**Elaine Rotan** - March 22, 2018 at 08:40 AM

MR

“ *Mike And Teresa Richerson lit a candle in memory of Amanda "Joan" Stewart*



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**Mike and Teresa Richerson** - March 22, 2018 at 08:03 AM

MS

“ *Mike And Nancy Solomon lit a candle in memory of Amanda "Joan" Stewart*



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**Mike and Nancy Solomon** - March 21, 2018 at 09:02 PM

LK

“ *Linda Koehler lit a candle in memory of Amanda "Joan" Stewart*



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**Linda Koehler** - March 21, 2018 at 08:46 PM

BT

“ *Becky Turley lit a candle in memory of Amanda "Joan" Stewart*



Becky Turley - March 21, 2018 at 07:26 PM

JT

“ *Jane Treece lit a candle in memory of Amanda "Joan" Stewart*



Jane Treece - March 21, 2018 at 06:10 PM

JT

*Joan was the sweetest lady. I always enjoyed talking to her when she worked at the library.*

Jane Treece - March 21, 2018 at 06:12 PM

JS

“ *Susie, so very sorry to hear about your mom's passing ❤️ She was such a sweet & caring lady!!*

Judy Sullivan-Murray - March 21, 2018 at 04:45 PM

PS

“ *Susie, you have my sincere sympathy. She was a beautiful lady inside and out. Cherish all the memories  
Peggy Jean Smoot*



Peggy Jean Smoot - March 21, 2018 at 04:23 PM