



## Jeanette Marie Franzen

October 8, 1950 - May 4, 2021

A Mass of Christian Burial for Jeanette will be held on Monday, May 10, 2021 at 10:30 a.m. at St. Stephen Catholic Church in Exeter, Nebraska with Father Brendan Kelly presiding.

Praying of the Rosary will be held prior to the Mass on Monday, May 10, 2021 at 10:00 a.m. at St. Stephen Catholic Church in Exeter, Nebraska.

Visitation will be held on Sunday, May 9, 2021 at Farmer Funeral Home in Exeter, Nebraska from 1:00 p.m. until 8:00 p.m. with family present from 5:00 p.m. until 7:00 p.m.

Graveside Services will be conducted following the funeral mass at the Exeter Cemetery in Exeter, Nebraska.

Memorials are to be directed to St. Stephen Catholic Church or Exeter American Legion.

A Livestream Video of the rosary and funeral mass will begin at 10:00 a.m. on Monday, May 10, 2021.

To view the Livestream Video you can go to Farmer & Son Funeral Home's Facebook Page or in your search engine type @friendlyfuneraldirectors and

click the link to Farmer & Son or click this link <https://www.facebook.com/friendlyfuneraldirectors/Funeral> and it should direct you to our Facebook Page.

St. Stephen Zoom Link for Jeanette's funeral mass is: Meeting ID: 699 903 609 / Passcode: 758292

Jeanette Marie (Coffey) Franzen was born in Friend, NE to Leonard and Reta Mae Coffey on October 8, 1950. She passed away at Bryan West Hospital in Lincoln on May 4, 2021. Jeanette was the 4th of 5 children and loved all her siblings more than life itself. She graduated in 1969 from Exeter High School. Raymond and Jeanette were married on June 22, 1973 and would have celebrated 48 years together this June.

Together, Jeanette and Raymond raised 3 daughters, Brenda Ann, Denise Marie, and Corinne Elizabeth. Jeanette spent the majority of her life being a homemaker and also did babysitting in her home for many years. Those children are now grown adults, and continue to have fond memories from Jeanette's house to this day. Jeanette also spent more than 20 years working at Gator's Pub in Exeter. She made many lifelong friends while working there. Jeanette and Raymond enjoyed many fun and memorable trips while married, some top picks were an Alaskan cruise, Hawaii, New York, and Branson. The length of the trip was never an issue as Jeanette also enjoyed frequent road trips which often were with extended family or close friends. Another memorable trip for her was her 60th birthday trip to Las Vegas with her 3 daughters and her sister. If any of these places included a slot machine that made the trip even better for her. She was a lifelong member of the St. Stephens Catholic Church and an active member of the American Legion Auxiliary in Exeter. Jeanette was very fond of angels, and her collection multiplied over the years. She also thoroughly enjoyed playing cards, both 5 and 10-point pitch were her favorites to play. Many fond memories of card games will be cherished by both family and friends.

Outside of her daughters, her pride and joy were her 6 grandchildren, 5

grandsons and 1 grand-daughter. She enjoyed the time she spent with her grandchildren and enjoyed watching them grow, attending their activities and keeping in contact with them with the wonderful technology of texting and Facetiming. Our dear mother surprised all of us when she embraced the use of Facebook, and really came to enjoy using it. Jeanette was also promoted to Great-grandmother in December of 2019, when her first great grand-daughter Emmarie arrived. She also was looking forward to the arrival of her 2nd great granddaughter due in August of 2021. In her years of retirement, she was a devoted and dedicated caregiver of her own mother and visited her faithfully. Jeanette will be fondly remembered for her smile and her ability to have a fun time with family and friends. She also took great pride in helping and taking care of others whenever she had an opportunity.

All the angels in Heaven have welcomed her with open arms.

Jeanette was preceded in death by her parents Leonard and Reta Mae Coffey, her in-laws Arnold and Rose Franzen, brother Richard Coffey, brother John Coffey, brother-in-law Ernest Christensen, sister and brother in laws Ruth and Jim Kellum, and brother-in-law Dencil Janes.

She is survived by husband Raymond Franzen, Exeter; daughters Brenda (Mike) Motis of Geneva, Denise (Pericles) Gabriele of Pennsylvania; Corinne (Paul) Downey of Omaha. Grandchildren Thane (Megan) Motis, Caroline, Gatlin and Travien Motis, Dante and John Downey, and great granddaughter Emmarie Motis. Sister Sylvia Christensen, Columbus; brother Bob (Peg) Coffey, Grand Island; sisters in law Barbara Coffey, Beaver Crossing, Shirley Janes, Exeter, Anna Griese, Washington State; Frances Nelson, Valparaiso; Sandi (Ron) Jones, Lincoln; brother-in-law Leonard (Don) Franzen, California. She is also survived by a host of nieces and nephews and many cousins and other extended family.

# Cemetery Details

## Exeter Cemetery

Exeter, NE 68351

# Previous Events

## Visitation

MAY 9. 1:00 PM - 8:00 PM (CT)

Farmer Funeral Home  
305 South Burlington Avenue  
Exeter, NE 68351  
(402) 266-3621  
<https://farmerandsonfuneralhome.com>

## Family Present for Visitation

MAY 9. 5:00 PM - 7:00 PM (CT)

Farmer Funeral Home  
305 South Burlington Avenue  
Exeter, NE 68351  
(402) 266-3621  
<https://farmerandsonfuneralhome.com>

## **Farmer & Son Funeral Home Facebook Livestream**

**MAY 10.** 10:00 AM (CT)

Saint Stephen Catholic Church  
207 N Union Ave  
Exeter, NE 68351  
(402) 266-5581

## **Rosary**

**MAY 10.** 10:00 AM (CT)

Saint Stephen Catholic Church  
207 N Union Ave  
Exeter, NE 68351  
(402) 266-5581

## **Mass Of Christian Burial**

**MAY 10.** 10:30 AM (CT)

Saint Stephen Catholic Church  
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Exeter, NE 68351  
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# Tribute Wall



“ *Farmer & Son Funeral Home created a Tribute Video in memory of Jeanette Marie Franzen*



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**Farmer & Son Funeral Home** - May 06, 2021 at 03:22 PM

JK

“ *My thoughts and prayers are with all of her family I enjoyed working with her at Exeter Care Center she always would stop and help me make a bed and we would always have good chats she always praised me for the care I gave her mama and it was a pleasure to have known them and have them both to cherish memories of just know you have some beautiful guardian angels watching over you*



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**Joanna Kuhns** - May 12, 2021 at 09:51 PM



“ 53 files added to the album Flower Arrangements



Farmer & Son Funeral Home - May 10, 2021 at 05:15 PM



“ Corrine & family so sorry that your going through this sad time, know that God has a new Angel that will be watching over you, When your feeling down look up to the sky and remember the "memories"! Love & Prayers are with you today & always Aunt Darlene ,Aunt Patsy and their Families



Aunt Darlene - May 10, 2021 at 11:52 AM



“ Virginia Johnson lit a candle in memory of Jeanette Marie Franzen



Virginia Johnson - May 07, 2021 at 08:34 PM

BM

“ *Brenda Motis sent a virtual gift in memory of Jeanette Marie Franzen*



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**Brenda Motis** - May 07, 2021 at 07:40 PM

YM

“ *Your friends and co-workers at MultiPlan purchased the Medium Dish Garden for the family of Jeanette Marie Franzen.*



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**Your friends and co-workers at MultiPlan** - May 07, 2021 at 02:22 PM



“ *Beautiful Heart Bouquet was purchased for the family of Jeanette Marie Franzen.*



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May 07, 2021 at 11:14 AM

HS

“ *Hope Strate lit a candle in memory of Jeanette Marie Franzen*



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**Hope Strate** - May 07, 2021 at 10:12 AM



“ *Lisa Dondlinger lit a candle in memory of Jeanette Marie Franzen*



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**Lisa Dondlinger** - May 07, 2021 at 12:37 AM



“ *Crystal Cross Bouquet was purchased for the family of Jeanette Marie Franzen.*



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May 06, 2021 at 04:05 PM