



Joan "Jo" Rollins

August 28, 1932 - February 26, 2016

Joan "Jo" Rollins

Born 8-28-1932

Died February 26, 2016

Preceded in death by her beloved mother Margurite Henson, and stepfather Stony Henson. Survived by Aunt Dorothy Bird of Chattanooga, cousin Pat (Bob) Baiocchi of Crossville, cousin Eveann Johnsen, dear lifelong friends Maxine McKeown and Willene (Chip) Griffith, and her "adopted" Calvin Avenue and other East Nashville family.

Jo passed away peacefully at home on February 26, 2016. Jo spent her early childhood years in Chattanooga. When she was 11, Jo moved to Calvin Avenue in East Nashville, and eventually graduated from East High. Her mother held down the Calvin Avenue fort when Jo moved to Florida and then Kentucky, as an accountant with General Electric. In her mid-adult years, Jo returned to the 1400 block of Calvin Avenue to live near her mother.

Sometimes big things come in small packages. She may have entered the world at just over 2.5 lbs and been short of stature, but Jo was a spitfire, stubborn, free spirited and independent woman, adored by all who knew her. She loved music, ice skating, cars, the Kentucky Derby, hanging out with her neighbors, and watching the children on the block grow up. A fixture on the 1400 block, Jo was the mayor and the soul of the street. Her ever-present humor and willingness to bend an ear over a cocktail endeared her to all. Her two requests will be honored by her neighbors: to have a New Orleans style

block party to celebrate her life and for her ashes to remain with Donna and John Mattick on Calvin Avenue. And of course here she will remain, because none of us are home without her here with us.

A Celebration of Life will be conducted Saturday, March 5, 2016 at 2pm at Phillips-Robinson Funeral Home.

In lieu of flowers, please send donations in Jo's honor to Miriam's Promise Adoption Agency, 522 Russell Street, Nashville, TN 37206. www.miriamspromise.org.

Phillips-Robinson Funeral Home, 2707 Gallatin Rd. (615)262-3312.

Tribute Wall



“ *Joan "Jo" Rollins*

October 14, 2022 at 08:02 PM



“ *My deepest sympathies to your family. Grief can be so hard at this difficult time. Revelations 21 : 3,4 speaks of a time when there will be no more mourning nor death in the near future. Draw comfort from God's promises.*

Reesie - May 08, 2016 at 09:53 AM



“ *RIP cousin Jo....your humor, concern, and love of people and life will be missed, but you will always be with us in spirit and in our hearts always...Love Cousin Eveann...*

Eveann Klaja-Johnsen - March 07, 2016 at 02:18 AM



“ *I am so sorry to learn about the loss of your love one, there is a wonderful hope in the Bible for the ones we have loss. Rev.21:3,4 tells us one day soon all sickness, suffering and death will be gone forever and we will see our love ones again. This is a wonderful promise in the Bible, to learn more about this hope please view jw.org on line everything is free.*

Lydia Helms - March 04, 2016 at 01:43 AM