



## Joan S Darnell

January 8, 1933 - December 13, 2019

DARNELL, JOAN S.

Joan Sandford Darnell, a resident of Elkton, FL., age 86 peacefully departed this life with dignity on Friday, December 13, 2019 with her loved ones by her side in St. Augustine, FL.

Joan was born on January 8, 1933, in Delaware County, (Drexel Hill) PA., to the late Mark Gurley Sandford and Mildred Moore Penuel of Lansdowne, PA. A Trailblazer honoree, Joan followed her dream by joining the USAF and serving her country during the Korean War Era as Airman 2nd Class with service in Ft Knox, KY. & Scott AFB, IL. After being honorably discharged, she worked as a sales store clerk, hospital ward clerk, grocery checker, cashier, newspaper carrier, and dog breeder, groomer and dog show competitor.

Joan moved to St Augustine, FL in June 2005 in her later years. Joan Loved Birds! Joan Loved to Shop! Joan Loved Works by Norman Rockwell.

She is preceded in death by her Great Grandson Nathan Winegar. She leaves to cherish her memories: loving & humble husband of 55 years, Garnett Ray Darnell; 5 natural born children, sons: Dale (Marijane) Darnell, Waterloo, IL., Darrell Glen (Alice) Darnell, Hampstead, NC., Dean S. (Norma Brown) Darnell, Ballwin, MO., daughters: Holly Diane Darnell (Jeff) Shumate, Jacksonville, FL., Mary Zoller (John) Lightner, Young Harris, GA.; Granddaughter, Tina Darnell (Matt) Winegar and 2 Great-Grandsons, Noah and Sam Winegar all of Johnson City, TN. and a whole host of other relatives and many special friends.

A special Thank you to the staff at Clyde Lassen State Veterans Nursing Home, for being there for her when we could not; the staff of the ICU of Flagler Hospital and staff of Bailey's Hospice Care Center, St. Augustine. Joan will be missed for her Wit. She is missed by all who knew her and will live in the hearts of her family, friends and many loved ones.

Her wishes were to be cremated and at her request, family and friends will gather to celebrate the fullness of her life in Kingsport, TN. with a memorial funeral service. Her final resting place with her spouse will be held at the East Lawn Funeral Home and Memorial Park, Kingsport, TN on April 25, 2020 at 1:00 p.m. In lieu of flowers, please make donations in Joan's name to Alzheimer's Assn at [ALZ.org](http://ALZ.org). St. Johns Family Funeral Home & Crematory is assisting the Darnell family.

# Tribute Wall



“ *St. Johns Family Funeral Home created a Tribute Video in memory of Joan S Darnell*



**St. Johns Family Funeral Home** - December 23, 2019 at 12:17 PM

MN

*Dear Darnell Family,  
In the days and weeks to come it will be very difficult for you. Please fill your hearts and minds with the many cherished memories of Joan. I was honored to meet Joan a little over a year ago. She displayed consistent courage in her daily life to overcome any obstacles along the way. Remembering Joan with dignity and respect. My deepest sympathies to her loving family.  
Michele Natale*

**Michele Natale** - December 25, 2019 at 03:19 AM

ML

*A lovely tribute to her, Holly. I so enjoy seeing the photos of her when she was young.  
My deepest sympathy to you all.*

**Mary Zoller Lightner** - December 25, 2019 at 09:01 PM



*Thank you Michele and Mary for these kind words. My mother had a full life. I'm grateful she doesn't have to suffer no more. My heart misses her and I miss more time with her.*

**Holly Darnell Shumate** - January 17, 2020 at 09:47 PM

RH

“ I will always be Grateful to Joan for selling me two of my beloved Skye Terriers back in the early 1980's!  
one of them became a big winner at dogs shows and she was so proud! I lost track of her over the years but thought about her often!  
My condolences to her family!  
Robyn Hand

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**Robyn Hand** - February 21, 2020 at 11:34 PM

HS

Thank you kindly Robyn for the kind memories of Joan. She was a proud purebred Dog Breeder & Dog Owner of many AKC Skye Terriers that produced Champions of the Breed in the 1990s.  
In later years, Joan became the owner of her beloved Boston Terrier "Middie" late 90's & then owner of a Japanese Chin "Suzi" in 2004.

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**HOLLY SHUMATE** - April 17, 2020 at 11:40 AM

 Holly  
Darnell  
Shumate

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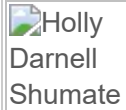
**Holly Darnell Shumate** - January 18, 2020 at 04:10 PM

 Holly  
Darnell  
Shumate

I will always cherish the memories I have of time spent with my mother  
Joan

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**Holly Darnell Shumate** - January 18, 2020 at 04:29 PM



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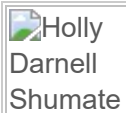


Holly Darnell Shumate - January 18, 2020 at 04:09 PM



*This is a cherished memory of mom & I, sitting on beach during the sunrise.*

Holly Darnell Shumate - January 18, 2020 at 04:30 PM



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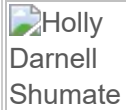


Holly Darnell Shumate - January 17, 2020 at 10:11 PM



*Joan age 78 is pictured with her middle born son, Darrell Glen Darnell during a outing on Mayport beach.*

Holly Darnell Shumate - January 17, 2020 at 10:16 PM



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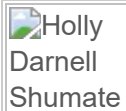


Holly Darnell Shumate - January 17, 2020 at 10:10 PM



*A young Joan sits on her fathers lap. On the left is her grandmother. On her left is her aunt Olive holding Joan's baby cousin.*

Holly Darnell Shumate - January 17, 2020 at 10:14 PM



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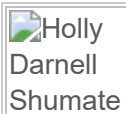


Holly Darnell Shumate - January 17, 2020 at 10:08 PM



*Joan is pictured here at age 78 with her granddaughter Tina Darnell Winegar*

Holly Darnell Shumate - January 17, 2020 at 10:12 PM



“ Holly Darnell Shumate lit a candle in memory of Joan S Darnell



Holly Darnell Shumate - January 17, 2020 at 10:07 PM

PS

“ *Hol, I'm so very sorry for your loss.*”



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**PATRICIA SARKO** - December 22, 2019 at 01:50 PM



*Thank you my friend Patricia*

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**Holly Darnell Shumate** - December 23, 2019 at 11:36 PM