



Jean Krohn

June 4, 1943 - March 20, 2026

Jean Ruppel Krohn of Bad Axe passed away suddenly on Friday, March 20, 2026, while spending time at her winter home in Ave Maria, Florida. Jean was born June 4, 1943, in Harbor Beach, Michigan to George and Irene (Winkel) Layer. She was a cherished wife, mother, grandmother, great grandmother, sister, and friend.

She graduated from Harbor Beach High School before spending most of her career working at the Huron Memorial Hospital.

On July 7, 2023, she married the love of her life, James Krohn, and they were together for more than 25 years. Together they blended their families, Maureen (Gerry Cook) Mausolf, Angie Souva, James (Erika) Krohn, and Kevin Krohn.

She gladly stepped into the role of the family matriarch when she first became a grandmother more than 40 years ago and enjoyed hosting family for holidays, spontaneous picnics and dinners, and numerous sleepovers for her grandchildren and great grandchildren.

She loved spending time with her family and friends, tending to her garden, spending time near her pond at her Bad Axe home or by her pool in her Naples, Florida home. She enjoyed games – especially puzzles, rummikub,

and bocce ball, playing cards, and golfing. She loved antiquing and finding a good bargain at a garage sale, characteristics she passed on to children and grandchildren.

She enjoyed entertaining at her pond at her home in Bad Axe and hosting events like James's class reunions, neighbor parties, and even some of her grandchildren's wedding rehearsal dinners.

She had a heart of gold and was known for taking care of people and looking out for others. She was quick to share some of her homemade jam made with raspberries from her garden or bake someone a pie when they needed a pick-me-up. She also had a soft spot for animals. The neighborhood cats always knew where to find her and that she would keep them fed. When a group of newborn kittens were left without parents, she bottle fed them until a shelter was able to take them in.

Jean is survived by her daughters Maureen (Gerry Cook) Mausolf and Angie Souva and James's sons James (Erika) Krohn, and Kevin Krohn. She is also survived by James Krohn's siblings: Terry (Cathy) Krohn, Kay (Floyd) Thompson, and Doug (Chris) Krohn. She is also survived by 10 grandchildren, Trista Mausolf, Garret (Erica) Mausolf, Ashlyn (Richard) Capote, Tancy Bowers, Trinity Souva, Zachary Souva, Kendall Krohn, Wyatt Krohn, Katie Krohn, and Cash Krohn and by her 8 great grandchildren, Benjamin and Brooklyn Bowers, Emsley, Griffin, Ellison, and Grayley Mausolf, and Cecilia and Oliver Capote.

She was preceded in death by her husband James Krohn, daughter Wendy Tetreau, grandson Josh Ruppel, and brothers Leroy Layer and George Layer Jr.

The family would like to thank her friends and neighbors in Ave Maria, Florida,

for supporting her while she spent this past winter at the Florida home that her husband James loved so much.

Funeral services for Jean will be Friday, March 27, 2026 at 11 am, at Our Savior Lutheran Church in Bad Axe. Cremation will follow. Visitation for Jean will take place Thursday, from 3-8 pm at the Ramsey Funeral Home of Harbor Beach. Visitation on Friday, will be at the church from 10 am until time of services at 11 am.

Memorials may be offered to Thumb Animal Shelter in Elkton, Michigan or Our Savior Lutheran Church in Bad Axe, Michigan.

Memories can be shared at www.RamseyFH.com

Previous Events

Visitation

MAR 26. 3:00 PM (ET)

Ramsey Funeral Home, Inc
425 State St
Harbor Beach, MI 48441
(989) 479-3407
<https://www.ramseyfh.com>

Visitation

MAR 27. 10:00 AM (ET)

Our Savior Lutheran Church
Bad Axe, MI

Funeral Service

MAR 27. 11:00 AM (ET)

Our Savior Lutheran Church
Bad Axe, MI

Tribute Wall

SU

“ *My dearest BFF of over 50 years. Where did all the time go? I'm so glad you're with the love of your life, your prince charming, Jim. No more pain, stress or broken heart. Your family will miss you more than we can imagine. They'll take one step at a time, one day at a time and get through this dark period of their lives, then realize this is a trip we all must take, some sooner than others and eventually they'll share your happiness again. My only regret is I never got to say goodbye but know I too will miss you daily. 'Till we meet again my friend- I Love You Shirley*

Shirley Upthegrove - March 26 at 08:26 PM

NW

“ *She always had a smile and kind word. What a joy to work with at HMC. I will always cherish our chats. Sending peace, prayers and sympathy to the family.*

Nancy Wolfe - March 26 at 02:22 PM



“ *Beautiful in Blue was purchased for the family of Jean Krohn.*



March 26 at 11:15 AM

LW

“ Love, Jim, Erika, Krndall and Wyatt purchased the Peaceful White Lilies Basket for the family of Jean Krohn.



Love, Jim, Erika, Krndall and Wyatt - March 26 at 10:56 AM

LK

“ I was fortunate enough to have worked with Jean back in the day. She was always with a smile and a kind word. Later I was lucky enough to have her as my neighbor and friend. we had some great chats, we shared several cups of coffee and glasses of wine and she would talk about her family and of how proud she was of them. Jean always made you feel very welcome. She took excellent care of “her Jim”. I’ll miss our chats but feeling so blessed to have had her in my life. Thankful that she is reunited with the love of her life. Condolences to the entire family, she adored all of you.

Lorie Krohn - March 25 at 04:11 PM

JM

“ As young children, the whole Winkel family would have chicken dinner at Grandma Winkel's farm. Afterward it was time for the family photo. Karen Winkel Johnson, Jean and I were in the front. Jean was the smallest and youngest. The 3 cousins all together. Now, everyone is gone except Karen and me. Sweet memories, Janet Boliere Moynihan

Janet K Moynihan - March 25 at 04:07 PM

AS

“ *Condolences to the entire family! Thoughts and Prayers during this difficult time!* ”



Amy & Isiah Sageman - March 25 at 02:53 PM

MR

“ *Jean had the greatest smile and wore it a lot! It, and her very pleasant personality made it so nice to be around her. She brightened the hospital.* ”

Margo Roth - March 25 at 02:04 PM

NB

“ *Nancy Bouck lit a candle in memory of Jean Krohn* ”



Nancy Bouck - March 25 at 01:03 PM

AM

“ *Amy Molinaro lit a candle in memory of Jean Krohn* ”



amy molinaro - March 25 at 12:35 PM

GS

“ Gigi Siemen-Richard Siemen planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Jean Krohn.

Gigi Siemen-Richard Siemen - March 25 at 10:24 AM

GS

“ Gigi Siemen-Richard Siemen purchased the Encanted Cottage for the family of Jean Krohn.



Gigi Siemen-Richard Siemen - March 25 at 10:24 AM

VM

“ Vangie McGilloway lit a candle in memory of Jean Krohn



Vangie McGilloway - March 25 at 08:48 AM

VM

Since 2020, when we met Jean and Jim, we became Monday Golf Buddies until this season. Jean was a God given friend, so thoughtful, caring and giving. Her smile would light up a room. We will remember the great memories forged during our years of friendship. We will miss her tremendously. We love you Jean. ❤️

Vangie McGilloway - March 25 at 08:51 AM

MS

“ Mick And Marge Schott lit a candle in memory of Jean Krohn



Mick and Marge Schott - March 25 at 08:33 AM

RC

“ We only just met last month but we had an instant connection. You embraced us in Ave Maria and we were able to meet Maureen and her family. Jean was a bright shining light! She loved people and the Lord and her beautiful presence was infectious! Lifting you in prayer as you celebrate your beautiful Mother. She touched our hearts as we spent time with here.

Ron and Candy Carmin - March 25 at 07:59 AM

MN

“ Mary Beth Nimitz lit a candle in memory of Jean Krohn



Mary Beth Nimitz - March 25 at 07:59 AM

CA

“ Chuck & Sharon Abbott lit a candle in memory of Jean Krohn



Chuck & Sharon Abbott - March 25 at 06:51 AM

RM

“ *Rhonda Forster Matelski lit a candle in memory of Jean Krohn*



Rhonda Forster Matelski - March 25 at 06:16 AM