



Mary Janet "Jan" (Wilscam) Nordhues

July 14, 1931 - January 7, 2026

Mary Janet "Jan" (Wilscam) Nordhues, 94, of Kearney, NE, died Wednesday, January 7th, 2026, at her son's home surrounded by family. The funeral Mass will be at 10:30am on Friday, January 16th, at St. James Catholic Church with Father Art Faesser officiating. In lieu of flowers, memorials are suggested to St. James Catholic Church Funeral Committee or donor's choice.

Jan was born July 14, 1931, in Lincoln, NE to Charles and Mary (Murphy) Wilscam.

Those left to cherish her memory include her children: Charles (Kathy) Nordhues of Omaha, NE; Thomas (Lesli) Nordhues of Clarinda, IA; Robert (Patti) Nordhues of Kearney, NE; Garry Nordhues of Omaha, NE; and Jennifer Duncan of Syracuse, NE; 14 grandchildren, 26 great-grandchildren and 1 great, great-grandchild.

Jan was preceded in death by her husband, Larry, their sons-David and William "Bill," as well as her parents and brother.

Cemetery Details

Kearney Cemetery

4400 Avenue I
Kearney, NE 68847

Previous Events

Funeral Mass

JAN 16. 10:30 AM (CT)

St. James Catholic Church
3801 Avenue A
Kearney, NE 68847

Tribute Wall

PJ

“ *Patty Johnson lit a candle in memory of Mary Janet "Jan" (Wilscam) Nordhues*



Patty Johnson - January 24 at 03:24 PM

CN

“ *Connie and Paul Nordhues-Bieber purchased the Garden Accent Stone - "Wherever a Beautiful Soul..." for the family of Mary Janet "Jan" (Wilscam) Nordhues.*



Connie and Paul Nordhues-Bieber - January 16 at 10:07 AM

CN

“ *Connie and Paul Nordhues-Bieber planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Mary Janet "Jan" (Wilscam) Nordhues.*

Connie and Paul Nordhues-Bieber - January 16 at 10:07 AM

JL

“*“Great grandma Jan” as everyone called her, was an incredibly welcoming woman to me, from day one. She had a warm smile and nothing but the kind words for me and Clayton, and she was stood steadfastly in her support for us, and everyone else she cared about.*

From what I know, she enjoyed family get-togethers, eating good food, listening to warm-hearted stories about better times and remembered friends, and the smell of freshly cut flowers.

She loved laughing at a really good joke, scratching a grateful dog's belly, and exchanging the greatest-biggest hugs when saying "hello" and "goodbye."

She wasn't one to complain much, that I remember. She bought in bulk. She didn't believe in wasting anything, and appreciated the sensibility and versatility of a nice pantsuit.

Looking back, she really appreciated all the important things in life. We could all learn a thing or two from her. She will be sorely missed.

John Lyons - January 15 at 04:19 PM

TP

“*The Buhlkes, Dieckmanns and Poppes purchased the Serene Retreat for the family of Mary Janet "Jan" (Wilscam) Nordhues.*



The Buhlkes, Dieckmanns and Poppes - January 14 at 03:12 PM



“ *Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum was purchased for the family of Mary Janet "Jan" (Wilscam) Nordhues.*



January 14 at 10:42 AM



“ *Although we never met your mother Bob, she had to be an amazing person to have raised such a caring, loving kind son. Please know our thoughts and prayers are with you, Patti and family as you go through this difficult time.*
Bob & Carole Dreher

Bob Dreher - January 13 at 06:45 PM



“ *Sharon Vlcek lit a candle in memory of Mary Janet "Jan" (Wilscam) Nordhues*



Sharon Vlcek - January 13 at 03:23 PM



“ *Mike and Mark purchased the Simply Elegant Sp athiphyllum for the family of Mary Janet "Jan" (Wilscam) Nordhues.*



Mike and Mark - January 13 at 02:25 PM

GS

“ A very fond memory of Jan many years ago when we were their next door neighbors that I continue to use today. There was a time when I mentioned that I had to do something, and Jan was quick to respond, Garry, you don't HAVE to do it, you GET to! Praise Him!

Garry Schultz - January 13 at 10:23 AM

KJ

“ Kathy Odegaard and Mike Johnston purchased the Emerald Garden Basket for the family of Mary Janet "Jan" (Wilscam) Nordhues.



Kathy Odegaard and Mike Johnston - January 13 at 09:42 AM

AS

“ I am so sorry to hear about the passing of Jan. She was a wonderful woman and I loved the conversations we had.

Amy Schade - January 12 at 09:41 AM

KR

“ Kathy & Patti: My sympathy on your loss. She is passing on her values through you, and through many other folks too.



Kathy Campbell RN - January 11 at 10:36 PM

WR

“ *With Love, Jennie Edmundson Respiratory purchased the Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum for the family of Mary Janet "Jan" (Wilscam) Nordhues.*



With Love, Jennie Edmundson Respiratory - January 09 at 03:50 PM

MR

“ *Oh, I am so sad for your loss! I have not seen Jan in many years, but I remember her kindness and enjoyed being around her when I lived in Kearney. Blessings of comfort prayed for all the family.*

Mary Roach - January 08 at 12:05 PM

JG

“ *I am very saddened to learn of Jan's passing. My condolences go out to her entire family. I have known her my entire life & she was a special lady. She was also a dear friend to my own Mother for many decades, even sharing an anniversary date (July 7th) with my parents. She will be missed.*

Jody Girard - January 08 at 08:32 AM

MR

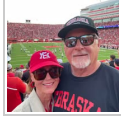
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Mary Roach - January 08 at 12:04 PM

DK

Very sorry to learn of your loss. Our thoughts and prayers are with you and your family. I am certain you will cherish all of your special memories ✨

Dottie Kinkade - January 09 at 04:55 PM



Thank you everyone for your thoughts, prayers and kind words

Charles-Kathy Nordhues - January 16 at 06:28 PM