

## In Loving Memory and Celebrating the Life of My Mom

Jeane Wayne Crouse

1940-2022

Surrounded by her family, my mom passed on February 9<sup>th</sup> after several weeks battling a blood infection that settled in her heart. Her will to keep going was strong, but her heart was just too weak.

Her last day was filled with visitors, physical therapy, and hours of instructions on important matters she wanted done, as she didn't want to fall behind while fighting to regain her strength.

Jeane never remarried after the death of her husband Thomas Crouse, who preceded her by 43 years. She is survived by her two children Chara (David) & Joseph, her Grandchildren Chara Tuere (Gino), Dane (Kelsie), Heather and Jennifer and her great grandchildren Ducati and Chara.

Jeane began her career in nursing, and then transitioned into a successful business owner in Chicago for many years. Eventually she moved to Arizona, and quickly adapted to her life in Mesa, loving every minute of her time here, all the while remaining a Chicago native at heart.

It's when she moved to Arizona that she decided to pursue her love for travel; it was her true passion. She embraced every adventure with her whole heart and soul. She quickly grew to think of the Caribbean as her back yard. Her love of a "Jump Up" Bon Voyage party was known by all who traveled with her. Mom loved a particular ship called 'The Amazing Grace,' so much so, she was nicknamed "Her Grace" by the crew...and it stuck!

Jeane was proud to be a Rotarian. She worked tirelessly on a multitude of fund-raising projects: Lucky Paws, Doctors without Borders, Mesa's Sister City program with Guaymas, Mexico and the AT Still Dental School (Mesa) just to name a few.

Mom was beloved by so many. Her devotion to family, generosity, kindness, compassion, and true desire to help others is how she will be remembered and celebrated by all who knew her...and celebrate we will!!!

We will be holding a celebration of her life on March 5<sup>th</sup>, 2022. Please comment below if you wish to join our celebration and the details will be sent to you.

We encourage everyone to help us celebrate my mom as we wish her one last Bon Voyage!! It would be wonderful for her children, grandchildren, and great grandchildren to know how much she meant to so many. To us she was “Grandma,” but everyone has “a story” with Mom, so please post your stories/pictures here and come share them at her celebration for all of us to enjoy!

“Her Grace” may be gone but she’ll never be forgotten!

In lieu of flowers please make memorial contributions to:

Mesa West Rotary Foundation <https://www.mesawestrotary.org/>

Lucky Paws AZ – Cage Free Animal Rescue and Sanctuary <https://luckypawsaz.org/>