



# JOAN YVONNE GELINEAU

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**J**oan Yvonne Gelineau 80, passed away after a long illness with Alzheimer's on June 6, 2017 at Kindred Hospital in Miami, FL.

Joan was born in Burlington, Vermont on March 29, 1937 the daughter of Bernard and Helen (Carpenter) Gelineau. She was educated in Burlington, Vermont schools.

Joan was raised by her grandparents, Aristide and Mabel Gelineau in Burlington until her Uncle Antonio and Aunt Dorthea Gelineau took Joan to live with them in Miami Springs, Fl and she remained in Florida for the rest of her life.

Joan worked for the Florida International University as an administrative assistant for most of her career at FIU until her retirement.

Joan was known by her family and friends as a person who was deeply in love with animals and she rescued many cats and birds of various species throughout her life. She would call family members to share conversations and various tricks she would teach her birds which were a sense of pride for her. When she retired, she gave her life to caring for the cat and birds she had with her until her hospitalization.

Joan was preceded in death by her parents, Bernard and Helen Gelineau, uncle and aunt, Antonio and Dorthea Gelineau, grandparents Aristide and Mabel Gelineau.

Joan leaves Leonard Benjamin, who was a dear and close friend, who remained by her side throughout many years of her life and cared for her when she became hospitalized in for her Alzheimer's and dementia onset. She leaves her aunt, Theresa Richard of Nashua, NH, her cousin Darcy Troville of Seymour, Indiana who was her guardian and cared for her affairs through the years as her health deteriorated. A sister, Marlene Blais & husband Ron of Rehoboth, Massachusetts, A cousin, Thomas Troville of Nashua, NH, cousin, Bishop Emeritus Louis E Gelineau of N Smithfield, Rhode Island, several other cousins and friends.



## Obituary

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The visitation & services for Joan will be held at Van Orsdel Funeral Home, 11220 N. Kendall Drive Miami, Fl from 1:00 PM to 2:00 PM Monday June 12, with a Catholic prayer service at the funeral home followed by a graveside committal at the Graceland Memorial Park North 4420 SW 8th Street, Miami, Florida.

Donations can be made in Joan's memory to The Alzheimer's Association, Southeast Florida Miami-Dade Chapter, 2828 Coral Way, Suite 505 Miami, FL 33145 or Miami-Dade Pet Adoption & Protection Center, 3599 NW 79th Ave, Doral, FL 33166 or Pelican Harbour Seabird Station & Shelter 1279 79th St. Causeway, Miami, FL 33138




# Events

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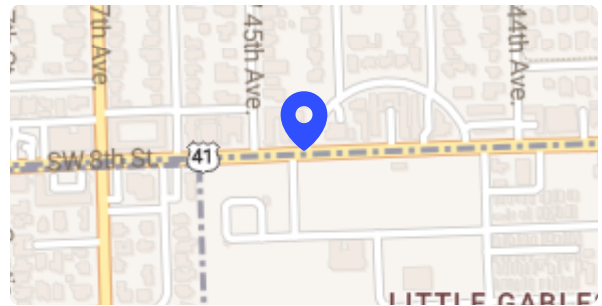
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## Graveside Service

 **Monday**, June 12, 2017

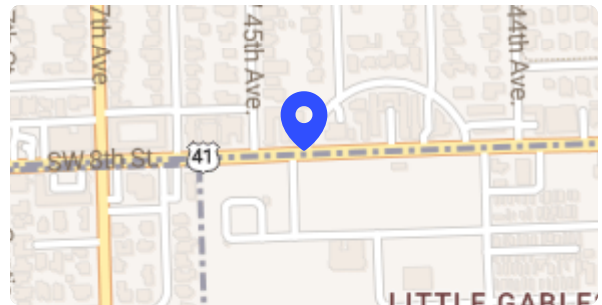
 2:30 PM ET

 **Graceland Memorial Park-North**  
4420 SW 8th St, Miami FL



## Cemetery Details

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# Tribute Wall

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**Darcy Troville** posted:

Joan will be missed. She was an active person all her life and the Alzheimer's took its toll on her in later years and she wasn't herself and was often misunderstood. She loved several members of the family dearly and cared deeply and shared her love and life with her pets who were her babies and her main focus in life never having children of her own. Those who were close to her like Leonard Benjamin saw a side of her the rest of us did not see because of our distance from her. She is now at peace and we pray and hope she is enjoying eternity and the presence of love in her new life.

June 9 at 7:33 PM



**Darcy Troville** shared an album called **New Album Name.**



June 8 at 3:12 PM



**Darcy Troville** shared an album called **New Album Name.**



June 8 at 3:11 PM



**Darcy Troville** posted:

Joan was a kind soul and her love of animals, especially those with disabilities was amazing. From cats to exotic birds, Joan had the gentle touch and nursed them back to health and trained them to live with her. Joan will not be forgotten and we pray that she enjoys eternity with love and peace.

June 8 at 3:11 PM



**Darcy Troville** shared an album called **Joan and family.**



June 8 at 3:08 PM



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June 8 at 3:05 PM

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**Leonard** posted:

Joan was a beautiful friendly person, who always had a friendly smile for everyone. She will be be dearly missed by all who knew her.

June 8 at 2:36 PM

DT

**Darcy Troville** posted:

Joan, you were a kind soul and were a great lover of animals. May you find peace now in eternal rest and we ask God's mercy and love be with you.

June 8 at 11:53 AM



## Media

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Darcy Troville shared a photo to the **New Album Name** album.

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2 of Joan's birds



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25 year old Joan on a beach



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Joan on far right with girlfriends



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Joan and Marlene



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Joan's grandparents, Aristide & Mable Gelineau



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Joan's dad Bernard playing a Ukulele



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