



Jeanne "Jan" M. Harrison

November 22, 1946 - November 8, 2024

Jeanne "Jan" M Harrison passed away the evening of Friday, November 8, 2024, surrounded by family.

Jan was born in Michigan on November 22, 1946, and moved to Austin with her parents and older brother when she was 13. She may not have been born in Texas, but she spent the majority of her life in Austin. A graduate of Austin High School, Jan was known for her excellent spelling, beautiful handwriting, and organization skills. Shortly after graduation, Jan took a job with the City of Austin. With the exception of short periods of her life, Jan worked for the City of Austin or the State of Texas in various capacities. When her children were in high school, Jan, a lifelong mystery and crime reader, went back to school and got her certificate as a Paralegal in Criminal Justice.

Apart from her work accomplishments, Jan was an avid bowler in her youth and loved to dance, mostly country and western. She was a cat person when she was younger but quickly became an enthusiastic dog-lover. Her dog, Mia, was quite a character and the light of Jan's life in her last years. Jan was fiercely loyal to her family and friends and could be counted on to babysit her grandchildren, who she spoiled and adored, at the drop of a hat. She loved Halloween and decorated her home, and that of her childrens' for every holiday. She had an eye for Interior Design and was the first person we all called when we needed the "right" paint color for our home or opinions on how

to arrange our furniture. A grandmaster of shopping, Jan could find a gift for a family member or loved one anywhere she went and would happily spend hours browsing.

Although shy and quiet in her youth, Jan broke out of her shell and could always be counted on to be sassy and give her opinion freely. This was never more evident than when she lived at Brookdale North Austin, her final home. She was always forthcoming with how she thought things should be running and she didn't hesitate to let you know. The staff at Brookdale North Austin took Jan's honesty in stride and we can't thank them enough for the love and care they showed Jan and her family over the years. A special thank you also goes to St. David's Hospice team who went above and beyond in providing wonderful care to Jan and who became trusted partners in her care.

Jan is preceded in death by her parents, Ivan and Sophie Bostick. She is survived by her children Wade (Eileen) Heidmann and Tracy (Aaron) Balboa, her grandchildren Tara O'Neill, Daniel O'Neill, Michael Heidmann and Sophia Balboa, her brother George (Bobby) Bostick and her nieces and nephews Belinda (Willy) Kirk, Jessica (Ming) Bostick, and Alex Kirk. Along with many other family and friends who were like family.

In lieu of flowers, please consider making a donation to The Michael J Fox Foundation to help them find a cure for Parkinson's disease.