



## Janice L. Pratt

August 20, 1938 - January 4, 2025

Janice L. “Jan” Pratt, 86, of rural Rochester, Indiana passed at 9:22 pm, Saturday, Jan. 4, 2025 at Hickory Creek of Rochester, Indiana

Jan was born on Aug. 20, 1938 in Fulton County, Indiana, the second child of the late Lavoy B. and Martha E. (Mathews) Hoffman. She was a 1956 graduate of Talma High School. Jan was a good student and was near the top of her class. She then attended Ft. Wayne Business College.

Jan met her life’s mate at a rural youth square dance in 1956. Jan and Phil dated on week-ends while both of them attended college. They married on June 21, 1958. They were married in the Bethlehem Baptist Church with Rev. Harry Smith providing God’s word. Their union provided a wonderful family, Cindy, Phil Jr., Barb, and Sandy. During the younger years, she was the family leader, teacher, and go to person for most everything. She provided them with food, clothes and transportation. She had them involved with Sunday School, school work, and 4-H. She ran from sporting practices and games, all while being a great wife and mother.

She is survived by her husband Pastor Phillip Pratt; daughters Cindy and husband Fred Sokol of Elkhart, Barbara Newcomer of Elkhart, Sandra and husband Mike Inglehearn of Rochester; son Phil “Pete” and wife Melinda Pratt of Akron; grandchildren Chase (Dani), Riann (Mike), Melea (Brandon), Tara,

Tabitha (Andy), Bryce, Derek (Sierra), Michael (Cassandra), Angelea (Eric), and William (Devin); and 17 Great Grandchildren. They are all followers and she was truly blessed.

Also surviving is her sister Sharon Beaman of Kokomo; sister-in-laws Rosemary Hoffman of Bloomington and Marlene Pratt of Middlebury, and several nieces and nephews. Jan was preceded in death by her parents and brother Richard Hoffman.

The funeral service will be held at 10:30 am, Friday, Jan. 10, 2025 at Bethlehem Baptist Church 3516 N. 650 E, Rochester, Indiana with the Pratt Family officiating. Visitation will be held one hour prior to the service at the church. The video of the funeral service is available at: <https://youtu.be/eVaQiLR02EE>

Her interment will take place following the funeral dinner in the Rochester IOOF Cemetery 620 West 3rd Street Rochester, Indiana at 1:30 pm.

Visitation hours will be held from 3 pm to 7 pm, Thursday, Jan. 9, 2025 in the Bethlehem Baptist Church of rural Rochester, Indiana.

The arrangements have been entrusted to Hartzler Funeral Home 305 West Rochester Street Akron, Indiana.

Memorial contributions can be made in her memory to the Bethlehem Baptist Church or to Heart to Heart Hospice.

# Cemetery Details

## IOOF Cemetery

620 West 3rd Street  
Rochester, IN 46975

# Previous Events

## Visitation

JAN **9**. 3:00 PM - 7:00 PM (ET)

Bethlehem Baptist Church  
3516 N 650 E  
Rochester, IN 46975

## Funeral Service

JAN **10**. 10:30 AM (ET)

Bethlehem Baptist Church  
3516 N 650 E  
Rochester, IN 46975

## Interment

JAN **10**. 1:30 PM (ET)

IOOF Cemetery  
620 West 3rd Street  
Rochester, IN 46975



# Tribute Wall



“ Hartzler Funeral Services created a Webcast in memory of Janice L. Pratt



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Hartzler Funeral Services - January 11, 2025 at 09:26 AM



“ Hartzler Funeral Services created a Tribute Video in memory of Janice L. Pratt



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Hartzler Funeral Services - January 05, 2025 at 06:17 PM



“ Our sincere and heartfelt sympathies to Pastor Phill and all their families .



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Richard & Patricia Goshert - January 10, 2025 at 08:51 PM

CL

“ Our condolences to the family. She was such a sweet lady. I enjoyed talking with her at church. She will be missed. Bless you all.  
*Linc & Cathie Lukens*

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**Cathie Lukens** - January 09, 2025 at 01:09 PM

PM

“ To Phil and all your family, we send our sympathy. Both you and Jan have touched many lives in a positive way.....beginning with your playing basketball at Akron, and what a fine family! Cindy, you sang for us "What a Wonderful World" and your mom surely helped to make it a Wonderful World by living a Christian life. We pray that God will bless you with comfort and strength. With love, Phil and Katie McCarter

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**Phil and Katie McCarter** - January 09, 2025 at 08:34 AM



“ Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum was purchased for the family of Janice L. Pratt.



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January 09, 2025 at 07:45 AM



“ A [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) was planted in honor of Janice L. Pratt.

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January 09, 2025 at 07:45 AM

BD

“ *Big Hugs. Doretta purchased the Beautiful Heart Bouquet for the family of Janice L. Pratt.*



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**Big Hugs. Doretta** - January 08, 2025 at 06:03 PM

RD

“ *To all of Jan's family, our thoughts and prayers are with all of you! She was such a sweet lady and will be greatly missed! RIP Jan!!!!!!*



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**Richard and Janet DeLawter** - January 08, 2025 at 05:28 PM

DB

“ *David Balentine purchased the Divine Peace Bouquet for the family of Janice L. Pratt.*



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**David Balentine** - January 08, 2025 at 02:37 PM

DB

“ *David Balentine planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Janice L. Pratt.*

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**David Balentine** - January 08, 2025 at 02:37 PM

LK

“ Aunt Jan was a smiling, hugging aunt who was also a good cook-- her recipes in the Bethlehem Church recipe book she gave me for a wedding shower gift are staples in our family food repertoire. Thanking God for her Christian witness and life.

Lynn Keiser - January 08, 2025 at 11:18 AM

RH

“ Rick H. planted a grove of 5 [Memorial Trees](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Janice L. Pratt.

Rick H. - January 08, 2025 at 08:53 AM

LK

“ Love, Trenton, Jessica, Trey, Rae, kids purchased the Sweet Tenderness for the family of Janice L. Pratt.

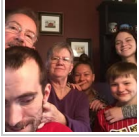


Love, Trenton, Jessica, Trey, Rae, kids - January 07, 2025 at 06:18 PM

MS

“ She always had the biggest smile. Might be even bigger now that she's seen Jesus. Blessings and peace to her loved ones who are left behind for now.  
Mark Spencer

MARK SPENCER - January 07, 2025 at 02:23 PM



“ I'm so sorry for your loss. Janice was always such a nice lady. I have a lot of fond memories of spending time at the Pratt's as a kid when we visited.

Randall Kindig - January 07, 2025 at 02:15 PM

RB

“ Sorry to hear of your loss. May the family know God's comfort and peace during this time.



Rose M. Berger - January 07, 2025 at 12:42 PM

LF

“ Lisa Day family and Maria Nicolas family purchased the Peaceful White Lilies Basket for the family of Janice L. Pratt.



Lisa Day family and Maria Nicolas family - January 07, 2025 at 11:40 AM



“ Beautiful in Blue was purchased for the family of Janice L. Pratt.



January 07, 2025 at 09:07 AM

MC

“ *Marianne and Christopher Crane purchased the Divine Peace Bouquet for the family of Janice L. Pratt.*



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**Marianne and Christopher Crane** - January 06, 2025 at 05:43 PM

DP

“ *David P. purchased the Peaceful White Lilies Basket for the family of Janice L. Pratt.*



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**David P.** - January 06, 2025 at 04:21 PM

DP

“ *David P. planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Janice L. Pratt.*

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**David P.** - January 06, 2025 at 04:21 PM



“ *Forever Our Angel Bouquet was purchased for the family of Janice L. Pratt.*



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January 06, 2025 at 12:32 PM



“ Arrive in Style was purchased for the family of Janice L. Pratt.



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January 06, 2025 at 10:06 AM



“ Enchanted Cottage was purchased for the family of Janice L. Pratt.



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January 06, 2025 at 08:56 AM



“ A [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) was planted in honor of Janice L. Pratt.

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January 06, 2025 at 08:56 AM



“ To the family of Jan, I wish to express my deepest sympathy for the loss of someone so dear. I remember her as a kind, loving and happy lady, and she shall be greatly missed. May you all take the time you need to grieve and reflect on such a beautiful life with her.



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**Diane Warren** - January 06, 2025 at 06:27 AM