



Joanne Oakley Krasnansky

September 4, 1937 - November 28, 2025

With deep love, reverence and gratitude for a life beautifully lived, we share that Joanne Oakley Krasnansky, 88, of Manville, NJ, passed away peacefully at home on November 28, 2025, in the house her late husband, John, built 60 years ago, surrounded by her loving family.

Born to the late Josephine (Michalski) Liptak, Joanne grew up in Manville and made it her lifelong home.

In her early years, Joanne worked as a secretary in the Manville School District from 1957–1960. She was community-minded and fun-loving, founding The Pandoras pack in the 1950s, playing on Petey's Pussycats Softball League, and bowling in the Manville Lanes Bowling League. There was also a time when she was an avid Bingo player, enjoying the camaraderie as much as the game.

Above all, Joanne was a devoted mother. She poured her heart into her children's lives, serving as a Girl Scout Leader for 23 years and a Den Mother for Boy Scouts for over five years. An involved and caring parent, she was active in both the local and State Parent Teachers Associations and supported her children's activities through the Manville Youth Athletic League during their Pop Warner years. She also loved swimming and faithfully attended summer classes for over 20 years.

Alongside our beloved father, John, Joanne was an active member of the Somerset County Historical Society, sharing a love of local history and community.

Joanne spent much of her life caring for children, both within and beyond her family. Whether after-school babysitting or providing full-time daycare, she was known as the “baby whisperer” for her gentle, calming way with little ones. It was a joy and a given that she would provide daycare for all eight of her grandchildren.

Family was the heart of Joanne’s life. She treasured time with her children, grandchildren, and great-grandchildren. During the holidays, she delighted in dressing up as “Mrs. Claus” to read stories to them, and she extended that joy into the community by visiting local schools to read to children there as well.

Joanne was predeceased by her beloved husband, John Krasnansky, whom she cherished and deeply missed; her sister and brother-in-law, Betty and Ted Denson of Bridgewater, NJ; and her brother, Ronald Oakley of Anchorage, Alaska. She is survived by her half-brother, Greg Liptak, and his wife, Andrea, of Manville, NJ.

She is lovingly survived by her children:

Jane Biago and her husband, Ron, of Manville, NJ;

Joanne Bobal and her husband, Dave, of Montgomery, NJ;

Genevieve (Jennifer) Frances and her husband, Steven Lichtscheidl, of Lebanon Township, NJ;

John Krasnansky and his wife, Faith Krasnansky, of Hillsborough, NJ.

She was the proud grandmother of eight grandchildren: Erik Biago; Kelley

Kappus and her husband, Steve Kappus; Tyler Bobal and his wife, Samantha Bobal; Jake Bobal; Tori Bobal; Zack Krasnansky and his wife, Nicole Krasnansky; Derek Krasnansky; and Camryn Krasnansky—each of whom she adored.

Her five great-grandbabies were her pride and joy: Josephine, Claire, Alina, and Jayce Kappus, and Bennett Bobal.

Visitation will be held on Friday, December 5, 2025, from 4:00 PM to 7:00 PM at Ketusky Funeral Home, 1310 Brooks Blvd., Manville, NJ 08835.

The funeral will be held on Saturday, December 6, 2025, beginning at 8:00 AM at Ketusky Funeral Home, followed by a 9:00 AM Mass at Christ the Redeemer Parish – Sacred Heart Church, 98 South 2nd Ave and Main Street, Manville, NJ.

In lieu of flowers, contributions may be made to the American Lung Association or by dedicating a tree in honor of Joanne Oakley Krasnansky.

To send a memorial tree to help restore forests in Joanne's honor, please visit the Sympathy Store.

She will be remembered for her generous heart, her unwavering devotion to family, and the countless children whose lives she lovingly touched.

May you always feel held in love.

Previous Events

Visitation

DEC 5. 4:00 PM - 7:00 PM (ET)

Ketusky Funeral Home
1310 Brooks Blvd - PO Box 747
Manville, NJ 08835
(908) 575-8512
info@ketusky.com
<https://www.ketusky.com>

Mass

DEC 6. 9:00 AM (ET)

Sacred Heart Roman Catholic Church
98 South Second Ave.
Manville, NJ 08835

Tribute Wall



“ I'm very saddened to hear of Joanne's passing. My name is Mark Stein. I live in Port Orange, Florida now. I was seeking a copy of my mother's high school yearbook from Bound Brook High School. She graduated in 1955. When I found a copy of the yearbook, she was not photographed that year, so her picture was missing. I thought I'd try the 1954 yearbook when she was a Junior. I ordered one that was an original 1954 yearbook from Bound Brook High School. At that time, Juniors didn't have close up, full photos. However, I've been wondering who's yearbook this was. There are several handwritten senior comments on their photos to a guy named John. I was looking through the book today and noticed that the owner of the 1954 Bound Brook High School yearbook wrote their name inside at the top. The name is John Krasnansky. With a little research, I determined he passed in 2019 and was from Manville. I have no idea how I ended up purchasing it on Ebay, but I would like to return it to a loving family member who would like John's high school yearbook. Any family member may reach me at 561-396-0118 (Call or Text). My email address is southfloridamark@gmail.com. Please reach out to me and I can make arrangement to package and mail this back to the family. I can't imagine that someone in his family wouldn't want this. He even noted in the yearbook where he parked and where his homeroom was! I am sorry for your loss, however, I wanted to make an effort to get this back to his family.
Mark Stein

Mark Stein - May 08 at 11:54 AM

MR

“ I am so sad to hear of the passing of your vivacious mother. Mrs. K was an amazing woman. I know she will be greatly missed. I can imagine the fun parties she will be hosting in heaven.

Maritza Rodriguez - March 24 at 09:01 AM


CC

“ Deepest sympathy and condolences to your family, Such a pleasure to have met John, Joanne and family over the years in LA while they were visiting, daughter, Gen, and son - in - law, Steven. Joanne’s fun loving , humorous and adventurous spirit, a joy to behold. Joanne’s devotion and love for her family admirably defined her life. May you remember Joanne in health and happiness always. May God heal your heart and bring you peace. Sending love from the Midwest.

Kurt, Carrie and Bloyer Family

Carrie Ceryes - December 13, 2025 at 07:25 PM

GF

Bless you and thank you Carrie and Family for this beautiful sentiment. We are deeply touched by your love. 

Genevieve Frances - December 16, 2025 at 02:51 PM

RR

“ Rhonda R. planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Joanne Oakley Krasnansky.

Rhonda R. - December 10, 2025 at 08:38 AM

AB

“ Angelo B. planted a grove of 3 [Memorial Trees](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Joanne Oakley Krasnansky.

Angelo B. - December 06, 2025 at 02:37 PM

JR

“ Julius R. planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Joanne Oakley Krasnansky.

Julius R. - December 06, 2025 at 09:14 AM

MM

“ Maureen M. planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Joanne Oakley Krasnansky.

Maureen M. - December 06, 2025 at 08:21 AM

LF

“ Lori F. planted a grove of 3 [Memorial Trees](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Joanne Oakley Krasnansky.

Lori F. - December 05, 2025 at 11:50 AM

MM

“ Michelle Leonard, Martha, and M.Mary purchased the Beautiful in Blue for the family of Joanne Oakley Krasnansky.



Michelle Leonard, Martha, and M.Mary - December 05, 2025 at 09:15 AM

MM

“ Michelle Leonard, Martha, and M.Mary planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Joanne Oakley Krasnansky.

Michelle Leonard, Martha, and M.Mary - December 05, 2025 at 09:15 AM

JK

“ Please accept my deepest condolences on the loss of your mother. My thoughts and prayers are with all of you at this difficult time.



JoAnn (Fatula) Kostecky - December 05, 2025 at 08:05 AM

GF

Bless you and thank you for your beautiful sentiment.

Genevieve Frances - December 16, 2025 at 02:51 PM

BS

“ Brian and Leah Smith planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Joanne Oakley Krasnansky.

Brian and Leah Smith - December 05, 2025 at 06:56 AM



“ Lavender Reflections Spray was purchased for the family of Joanne Oakley Krasnansky.



December 05, 2025 at 06:56 AM

JP

“ Joanne was a great person and friend. We had many phone calls to each other and relived our past experiences in Manville. We went thru the schools in Manville and high school in Bound Brook together. We had shared a lot of past experiences which was a lot of fun to talk about. She will be missed by me. God bless her.
John Palochko

John Palochko - December 04, 2025 at 08:31 PM

GF

Bless you and thank you John for reaching out. I know she enjoyed your conversations.

Genevieve Frances - December 16, 2025 at 02:52 PM

GC

“ GERALYNN C. planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Joanne Oakley Krasnansky.

Geralynn C. - December 04, 2025 at 05:29 PM

CS

“ CAROLE S. planted a grove of 3 [Memorial Trees](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Joanne Oakley Krasnansky.

Carole S. - December 04, 2025 at 01:32 PM

ME

“ MICHELLE E. planted a grove of 5 [Memorial Trees](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Joanne Oakley Krasnansky.

Michelle E. - December 04, 2025 at 12:31 PM

BJ

“ Bethany and Jessica purchased the Days of Sunshine Bouquet for the family of Joanne Oakley Krasnansky.



Bethany and Jessica - December 04, 2025 at 12:07 PM

KK

“ Ken and Linda Kleeman planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Joanne Oakley Krasnansky.

Ken and Linda Kleeman - December 04, 2025 at 08:09 AM

KK

“ Ken and Linda Kleeman purchased the Sweetest Sunrise Bouquet for the family of Joanne Oakley Krasnansky.



Ken and Linda Kleeman - December 04, 2025 at 08:09 AM

MF

“ Marshall F. planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Joanne Oakley Krasnansky.

Marshall F. - December 04, 2025 at 07:27 AM

LA

“ Lori A. planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Joanne Oakley Krasnansky.

Lori A. - December 03, 2025 at 09:52 PM



“ Pretty Please was purchased for the family of Joanne Oakley Krasnansky.



December 03, 2025 at 02:31 PM

DM

“ We are so sorry for your loss. Joanne was a remarkable lady and will be greatly missed. Sending love to all of you. ❤️

Jason & Debie Mackanick and family

Debie Mackanick - December 03, 2025 at 09:10 AM

DM

“ Debie M. planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Joanne Oakley Krasnansky.

Debie M. - December 03, 2025 at 09:06 AM

ER

“ Elizabeth R. planted a grove of 3 [Memorial Trees](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Joanne Oakley Krasnansky.

Elizabeth R. - December 03, 2025 at 05:45 AM

SB

“ *Sylvia B. planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Joanne Oakley Krasnansky.*

Sylvia B. - December 03, 2025 at 12:46 AM

BM

“ *Brad McMahon planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Joanne Oakley Krasnansky.*

Brad McMahon - December 02, 2025 at 06:34 PM



“ *Enchanted Cottage was purchased for the family of Joanne Oakley Krasnansky.*



December 02, 2025 at 06:34 PM

KB

“ *Kurt B. planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Joanne Oakley Krasnansky.*

Kurt B. - December 02, 2025 at 04:35 PM

JF

“ *Jeff F. planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Joanne Oakley Krasnansky.*

Jeff F. - December 02, 2025 at 03:38 PM

LL

“ Love, Fran and Dede Lichtfchdidl purchased the *Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum* for the family of Joanne Oakley Krasnansky.



Love, Fran and Dede Lichtfchdidl - December 02, 2025 at 01:53 PM

MV

“ I knew Joanne because my husband Bob, and John were best friends from an early age. The last time I saw them was when I visited N.J. and helped make pierogis with my friend, Barbara Bartushak. John and Joanne were peeling potatoes the same day. She was a beautiful person. I so enjoyed reading her daily prayers on facebook. Now she and John are reunited. Rest in Peace, Joanne! Marie Vano

Marie Vano - December 02, 2025 at 12:05 PM

DW

“ Sending warm hugs of comfort to all the J-Kay family - Aunt Joanne was a special person and she will forever be missed - My heart is with you all - A candle will be burning in FL 💔 Donna Wanzie



Donna Wanzie - December 02, 2025 at 11:35 AM

DW

“ Donna W. planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Joanne Oakley Krasnansky.

Donna W. - December 02, 2025 at 11:25 AM



“ *Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum was purchased for the family of Joanne Oakley Krasnansky.*



December 02, 2025 at 08:45 AM



“ *Rena B. planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Joanne Oakley Krasnansky.*

Rena B. - December 01, 2025 at 10:56 PM



“ *So sorry to hear about your loss. Heaven gained another beautiful angel. Our hearts are with you all, and we hope the good memories bring you comfort and peace.*



Barbara & Tony Balsamo - December 01, 2025 at 08:31 PM



“ *I am so sorry to hear of Joanne's passing. I have such wonderful memories of her and John from years ago as Boy Scout parents and dancing school mothers (KAD). My prayers are with the family at this sad time. May she rest in peace.
Janet Chubrick and family*

janet Chubrick - December 01, 2025 at 04:52 PM



“ *Lavender Reflections Spray was purchased for the family of Joanne Oakley Krasnansky.*



December 01, 2025 at 03:04 PM



“ *Brenda G. planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Joanne Oakley Krasnansky.*

Brenda G. - December 01, 2025 at 02:16 PM



“ *Francine M. planted a grove of 3 [Memorial Trees](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Joanne Oakley Krasnansky.*

Francine M. - December 01, 2025 at 01:36 PM



“ *Our dear friend Joanne was one of the most fun loving people we have ever known. She was the true inspiration on how to live life. Her devotion to family and friends was filled with Love. We will miss her*❤️

Diane Denesevich - December 01, 2025 at 11:08 AM