



Evelyn M. Jordan

January 27, 1925 - June 10, 2014

CLARKSVILLE – Evelyn Marion Jordan, 89, passed away peacefully on Tuesday, June 10, 2014, at the Coös County Nursing Hospital in West Stewartstown.

Born Evelyn Marion Skebo, in Norwalk, Conn., on Jan. 27, 1925, she was the daughter of Joseph and Elizabeth Balog Skebo.

A longtime resident of Clarksville, where she moved with her family in 1971 after buying the former Clarksville Schoolhouse, for the past 13 years she has been a resident at the Coös County Nursing Hospital in West Stewartstown, where she made many good friends among staff members and residents. Her family is eternally grateful for the exceptional care she received there from current and past staff members.

The two most important parts of Evelyn's life have been her family and music. She dearly loved her children, Cynthia, Charlie, and Scotia, and her only grandchild, Tom. They grew up enjoying her singing. In her early days, Evelyn was a professional vocalist, singing with many of the big bands of the day, and music never was far from her interests. Evelyn was also known for her keen wit and sense of humor.

She began school at a Hungarian-language Catholic School in Norwalk, being

in the first generation of her family born in this country. She graduated from Norwalk High School, studied music at NYU, and during World War II was a woman air cadet, where she learned to parachute from airplanes. From August 1943 to February 1944, she worked as a crane operator at a Connecticut plant, receiving an award of recognition from Bridgeport Brass Co. for her "patriotic service on the production front." In the mid-1940s, she lived in California, where she began performing with such musicians as bandleader Carmen Cavellaro and Frankie Carle's Orchestra. Returning to Connecticut, she appeared on radio and early television in the greater New York area under the stage name "Lynne Paige," as well as enjoying popularity as a vocalist at nightclubs in southern Connecticut.

She married her first husband, Raymond Paus, in 1947. After his death, she married Leonard Jordan in 1950 (who passed away in 1979).

Always loving northern New England, Evelyn and her family lived in Burlington, Vt., for a number of years and eventually settled in northern New Hampshire, in Clarksville. During her years of employment in the region, she was the night switchboard operator at Upper Connecticut Valley Hospital and at The Balsams, where she took part in many of the talent shows in the ballroom.

Her family always remained close to her and she is survived by her three children, Cynthia Paus Jordan of Berlin, Charles Joseph Jordan and Donna Jordan of Clarksville, Scotia Lynn Jordan of Burlington, Vt., and her beloved grandson, Thomas Joseph Jordan, of Clarksville.

She is also survived by her two sisters, Geraldine Paddock and husband Dick of Bridgeport, Conn., and Joan Shamaly of Huntington, Conn. She is also survived by her many nieces and nephews. She is predeceased by her parents, as well as her sisters Dorothy Collins and Betty Swiderski.

There are no public calling hours. A graveside service will be held at 1 p.m., on Friday, June 13, at the Perry Cemetery on West Road in Clarksville. The Rev. Craig Cheney will officiate.

Donations in her memory may be made to the Coös County Nursing Hospital Activities Fund, P.O. Box 10, West Stewartstown, NH 03597; or in her name to the Great North Woods Committee for the Arts, P. O. Box 302, Colebrook, NH 03576.

Condolences may be offered to the family on-line by going to www.jenkinsnewman.com.

Funeral arrangements are under the direction of Jenkins & Newman Funeral Home, Colebrook, NH.

Cemetery Details

Perry Cemetery

West Road
Clarksville, NH

Tribute Wall

MM

“ You can be sure to see your mom once again in paradise and in better condition. Isaiah 25:8 & Revelation 21:3,4,5 learn more at www.jw.org

Michael Marbury - July 10, 2014 at 06:25 AM

MD

“ Scotia, My condolences to you & your family. Your Mom was such an interesting woman. I wish I could have met her. You will have wonderful memories & stories to share. Wishing you peace in your time of sorrow. Melinda

Melinda Dowdle - June 23, 2014 at 07:08 AM

SJ

I wish you had met her too.. your Mom reminds me so much of her ...very funny and smart..thank you Melinda.

scotia jordan - June 23, 2014 at 07:00 PM

DO

“ Sorry to hear of her passing. My thoughts are with you all. I enjoyed working with her at The Balsams - she was the right person to handle the night switchboard while representing not only the hotel, but the North Country. She also added some class to the hotel Talent Show! May the memories of her full life - provide comfort.

Dave Olmstead - June 22, 2014 at 10:23 AM

SJ

thank you for your kind words Mr. Olmstead... my Mom loved the Balsams very much as well as the talent show..

scotia jordan - June 22, 2014 at 07:16 PM



“ 1 file added to the album *New Album Name*



Scotia Jordan - June 17, 2014 at 02:07 PM



Evelyn Jordan - singer

Scotia Jordan - June 17, 2014 at 02:08 PM

SS

“ *Sorry for your loss... your Mom was a very fun lady... I loved bringing little Stephen up there to visit with you all when he was. She was very welcoming....love Sheila*

sheila scholz - June 14, 2014 at 01:34 PM

SS

little.. forgot the word little

sheila scholz - June 14, 2014 at 01:36 PM

SJ

Thank you Shelia .. I miss her but no doubt she is with her sisters drinking coffee in Heaven

scotia jordan - June 22, 2014 at 07:17 PM

EC

“ *What a terrific woman, and a huge loss at her demise.*

Ed Chester - June 13, 2014 at 08:34 AM

LK

“ We were sorry to learn of Evelyn's passing. We always enjoyed talking with her when we visited the nursing hospital. She had a great sense of humor and a keen mind.

Pat and Les Klinefelter

Leslie Klinefelter - June 13, 2014 at 06:40 AM

AB

“ Please know my thoughts and prayers are for all of you, Be comforted knowing she is now at rest. My love to all of you. Annette Bartlett



Annette Bartlett - June 12, 2014 at 07:10 PM

TA

“ Thinking of you & your families during this difficult time.

Tammy Amnott - June 12, 2014 at 07:00 PM

VG

“ Aunt Lynn you will be sorely missed by everybody, but most of all by me. I loved the way you always had a smile on your face no matter what! I remember when we had the fire in our house and you carried Elaine down while holding onto Scotia's hand dragging her down the steps. There are so many good memories I would need about 10 pages if not more to talk about you. Rest in peace my beautiful aunt! You will always be in my heart.

Veronica Gibson - June 12, 2014 at 06:27 PM



thank you Ronnie - I had forgotten that moment... she loved all her sisters and their children ...that is for sure...

Scotia Jordan - June 17, 2014 at 01:59 PM

EC

“ *Aunt Lynn was a great person. I remember her and my mom drinking coffee and talking all night long. I am so glad we made the trip up there to visit with her. Many hugs to Cynthia, Charlie, and Scotia*

Elaine Curran - June 12, 2014 at 01:00 PM

RB

“ *We got to know her at the Balsams in the 70s. She was a wonderful person, had a great sense of humor, and was so very talented. We enjoyed listening to her sing. What a voice! Our condolences to the Jordan family for your loss.*

Richard and Judy Budge - June 12, 2014 at 10:15 AM

HH

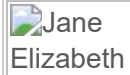
“ *Our condolences go out to the Jordan family on your loss. I googled her stage name and an article came up from December 29, 1945 where she was visiting her parents after spending some time in Hollywood. It says she performed at Ciro's with Carmen Cavallere's orchestra along with the Hollywood Canteen and Trocadero. She had also sang on the radio from NBC studios and was under contract with MGM. It seems she had a full and filling life along with raising a family. I remember when she was around on Christmas Eve at the nursing home I would give her some new slippers. You can be proud of who she was.*

Haven & Peggy Haynes - June 12, 2014 at 12:38 AM



Wow! I have never seen this article. I know my Mom was a professional singer and she did live in California.. but thank you so much for sharing this information with us all.. I miss her.

Scotia Jordan - June 17, 2014 at 02:06 PM



“ *So sorry for your loss Donna, Charlie, Tom and Scotia and family.*

Jane Elizabeth - June 11, 2014 at 09:07 AM



“ *I love you Mom...always in my heart*

Scotia Jordan - June 11, 2014 at 08:56 AM