



Jan D. Asch

May 19, 2013

Jan Asch transitioned peacefully from this life on Sunday, May 19, 2013. She was the only child of Dr. James. T. and Marianne Davis Asch who predeceased her. A loyal child of Marietta, Ohio she attended undergraduate school at Antioch College and graduate school at Columbia University. She lived in Manhattan for 30 years and was a counselor at City University of New York where she touched many lives. As a resident of New Orleans since 1994, she was devoted to New Orleans music, culture and the Saints. An avid reader and lover of books, Jan was loved in return by the staff and patrons at Maple Street Book Shop, her dream retirement job. Jan is survived by her spouse, Ann Patteson, her beloved four-legged, Reggie, as well as many dear friends and chosen family both in New York and New Orleans. Her kind and loveable nature, her sharp mind and clever wit endeared her to many who miss her already. Everyone loved Jan. Jan was active in the Episcopal Church, serving as Senior Warden at Grace Church where she was a founding member of the local Integrity chapter. A fair-minded champion against all prejudice, she was passionate about human rights and worked for equality for all. A Celebration of her life will be held at St. Anna's Episcopal Church, 1313 Esplanade Avenue on Saturday, May 25, 2013, Visitation at 1:00 pm; Memorial Service at 2:00 pm with repast to follow at the church. In lieu of flowers, please make donations to St. Anna's Episcopal Church, Second Harvest Food Bank, Human Rights Campaign, or Doctors Without Borders.

Arrangements by D.W. Rhodes Funeral Home, 3933 Washington Avenue.
Please visit www.rhodesfunderal.com to sign the guestbook.

Cemetery Details

Private

Previous Events

Visitation

MAY **25**. 1:00 PM - 2:00 PM (CT)

St. Anna Episcopal Church
1313 Esplanade Avenue
New Orleans, LA 70115

Service

MAY **25**. 2:00 PM (CT)

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Tribute Wall

JC

“ *Ann and friends of Jan,*

Many of Jan's highschool class members have recently found that the our world lost Jans wonderful presence. I offer my sympathy and want you to know that even though I have not seen Jan for many years, I feel a loss. Some of that loss simply comes from the fact that I know I will not have the opportunity to share conversation with her. She always managed to stretch my mind! Thank you for sharing your life with this fine woman!

Jean Creswick - July 21, 2013 at 05:47 PM

ER

“ *Ed Richard lit a candle in memory of Jan D. Asch*



ed richard - June 04, 2013 at 10:14 AM

JG

“ *Joan Gondola lit a candle in memory of Jan D. Asch*



Joan Gondola - May 25, 2013 at 08:16 AM

MS

“ *Monya Scherzer lit a candle in memory of Jan D. Asch*



Monya Scherzer - May 24, 2013 at 11:04 AM

MS

Dear Jan, precious sweet spirit, R.I.P.

Monya Scherzer - May 24, 2013 at 11:06 AM

SJ

“ *17 files added to the tribute wall*



Sue & Josie - May 23, 2013 at 04:10 PM

SJ

“ *Sue & Josie lit a candle in memory of Jan D. Asch*



Sue & Josie - May 23, 2013 at 03:07 PM

HL

“ Hoppi And Laurie lit a candle in memory of Jan D. Asch



Hoppi and Laurie - May 23, 2013 at 06:52 AM

BP

“ Jan was a lovely person, inside and out! She had such a tender heart and was loyal through and through. I will miss our talks and am blessed to have known her.

Beth Patteson - May 22, 2013 at 09:25 PM

BP

“ 3 files added to the tribute wall



Beth Patteson - May 22, 2013 at 09:21 PM

BP

“ 0 file added to the tribute wall

Beth Patteson - May 22, 2013 at 09:19 PM

BP

“ 0 file added to the tribute wall

Beth Patteson - May 22, 2013 at 09:17 PM

KG

“ *Kathleen Gordon lit a candle in memory of Jan D. Asch*



Kathleen Gordon - May 22, 2013 at 05:28 PM

HW

“ *Jan was a wonderful person who really cared about her students. Her sense of humor, warm and ability to listen to others was wonderful. She loved her pets and told wonderful stories about them. She loved New Orleans and the life she shared with Anne .*
Henrietta Whitcomb

Henietta Whitcomb - May 22, 2013 at 03:30 PM

BB

“ *Yesterday or was it 40 years ago Jan & I went body surfing. My sister, Helen & I will truly miss you, my kind, funny, sweet friend.*
BILL BASIST

Bill Basist - May 22, 2013 at 02:12 PM



“ *My memories of Jan are her great friendship on those hot summer evenings we spent on long island and of her dear dog. What a lovely person.*

Jackie Morrison - May 22, 2013 at 01:32 PM



“ Jackie Morrison lit a candle in memory of Jan D. Asch



Jackie Morrison - May 22, 2013 at 01:23 PM

BA

“ Babs lit a candle in memory of Jan D. Asch



babs - May 22, 2013 at 12:09 PM

BA

I remember our youthful days in EH on the beach -romping in the ocean - playing ball and doing the "orange" dance. Her smile her spirit her sweetness. Jan will be missed.

babs - May 22, 2013 at 12:12 PM

ML

“ *i had the great pleasure to work with jan for many years at the college. we were friends as well sharing many friends I . she was everything you have known or heard about her, a wise thoughtful, non judgemental , caring person. what a great loss. but i know jan is still with us and her spirit is indominable. love you jan marilyn*

marilyn lamkay - May 22, 2013 at 11:54 AM



I met Jan on several summers when I was over. She was always a lovely companion and, as you so well describe, caring, non judgemental, thoughtful and I shall always treasure having known her.

Jackie Morrison - May 22, 2013 at 01:29 PM

MK

“ *Myron Kalin lit a candle in memory of Jan D. Asch*



Myron Kalin - May 22, 2013 at 10:57 AM

MK

She will be very much missed by so many.

Myron Kalin - May 22, 2013 at 11:00 AM

MA

“ *My favorite story about Jan: a few days before the parade to celebrate the Saints and their Superbowl win, Jan was in a Rouses supermarket. Chatting with the teenaged cashier, she asked if the girl was going to the parade. Jan was incensed to hear that the girl couldn't go because she had to work. Jan got home and fired off an email to Rouses, effectively challenging their claim to being a community store when they were not allowing their employees to take part in one of the most significant positive community events at that time. Later that evening Jan was astonished, but very pleased to receive a phone call from Rouses' owner or operating manager, who confessed to have been debating whether or not to close. It seems that Jan's email and subsequent phone conversation helped to clinch the deal: Rouses closed in support of the Saints and the city and its employees were able to cheer on both at the parade. Go Saints! Go Jan!*

M. A. - May 22, 2013 at 03:49 AM

AC

“ *Anne Conway lit a candle in memory of Jan D. Asch*



Anne Conway - May 21, 2013 at 03:47 PM

FT

“ *One of the finest people I have had the honor and privileged to know. A dear friend and someone who taught me a lot about myself and those around me. May light perpetual shine upon her.*

Fr. Bill Terry - May 21, 2013 at 02:26 PM