



## JoAnne Stepp Sirius

October 1, 1951 - January 5, 2024

JoAnne Stepp Sirius, 72, passed away on January 5, 2024 in Sarasota, Florida. She was born October 1, 1951 in Fort Myers, Florida to the late Joseph and Mary (Hoke) Stepp. She relocated to Sarasota from Ocala, Florida in 1970.

JoAnne served 25 years at Fruitville Elementary School as a volunteer and teacher's aide and retired in 2018. She was a member of the Central Church of Christ for 30 years. JoAnne's family was her greatest joy and she adored spending time with her kids and grandkids. She also enjoyed her cats, Chick-fil-A and traveling with her family.

Left to cherish her memory are her husband of 50 years Mike Sirius; son Michael Sirius Jr; daughters Katie Sirius; Kellie McGuckin and her husband Mike; Kristie Menke and her husband Peter; her beloved grandchildren Brooks, Kinsley, Kollins, and Kevin. She also leaves behind her siblings Ron Stepp; Shannon Woods (Lisa and Alex) and Marty Woods (Terry), and sister-in-law, Susie Sirius.

In addition to her parents, JoAnne was predeceased by her sister Carol; and nephew Tyler.

There will be a Celebration of JoAnne's Life on Saturday, January 20, 2024 at

11:00 am at Southshore Community Church, 1899 S. Tuttle Avenue, Sarasota, Florida. JoAnne Stepp Sirius, 72, passed away on January 5, 2024 in Sarasota, Florida.

“The family is encouraging everyone to wear some of JoAnne’s favorite things to her celebration of life which is the color red or animal print (or anything that reminds you of her beautiful personality) to help bring her spirit to life as we celebrate the legacy she left behind.”

Memorial contributions may be made in JoAnne’s honor to the [www.catdepot.org](http://www.catdepot.org). Memories and condolences may be left for the family at [www.MFHcares.com](http://www.MFHcares.com)

# Previous Events

## Celebration of Life

JAN 20. 11:00 AM (ET)

South Shore Community Church  
1899 South Tuttle Avenue  
Sarasota, FL

# Tribute Wall

TG

“ JoAnne and I first became friends while she was running the RIF program at Fruitville. I loved volunteering with her. When she moved on from RIF she passed it on to me. Later on down the road we became co-workers at Fruitville, but first and foremost she was always my loving and caring friend. I will always remember that beautiful smile and heart of gold.

Tammy Gauntt - January 20, 2024 at 09:34 AM



“ Small Garden Dish was purchased for the family of JoAnne Stepp Sirus.



January 19, 2024 at 07:22 PM



“ Beautiful Dreams was purchased for the family of JoAnne Stepp Sirus.



January 19, 2024 at 02:25 PM

JB

“ Joyce & Tom Hollingsworth & Lowder boys purchased the Beautiful Heart Bouquet for the family of JoAnne Stepp Sirius.



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**Joyce & Tom Hollingsworth & Lowder boys** - January 19, 2024 at 10:36 AM

JB

“ Joyce & Tom Hollingsworth & Lowder boys planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of JoAnne Stepp Sirius.

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**Joyce & Tom Hollingsworth & Lowder boys** - January 19, 2024 at 10:36 AM



“ Beautiful Heart Bouquet was purchased for the family of JoAnne Stepp Sirius.



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January 18, 2024 at 10:42 PM

LE

“ Love, Jim and Paula Everett planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of JoAnne Stepp Sirius.

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**Love, Jim and Paula Everett** - January 18, 2024 at 10:42 PM

PP

“ I remember the 4th of July several years ago when I spent time with JoAnne at Jean Pendegrass's island home on Little Gasparilla island. We had a great time and she was a good sport going out late to see the turtles lay eggs.

Peggy Paregien - January 18, 2024 at 09:59 AM



“ Medium Dish Garden was purchased for the family of JoAnne Stepp Sirius.



January 17, 2024 at 05:08 PM

JM

“ Joanne or Jo-Jo as my mom called her, was one of my mom's closest friends. They met (I believe) back in the day while working together at Burdines. I remember many fun times with Jo-Jo and her beautiful family. We loved to eat at El-Adobe and get our families together. She was a big part of my mom's life and I know she will be greeted in heaven with open arms by my mom.

Jennifer McCasland - January 16, 2024 at 10:40 AM

KM

Thanks for sharing, Jen! Man, we LOVED going to El Adobe together! Such great memories and fun times were had. She has missed her dear best friend and will be happy to see her again. 💕 Xoxo

Kristie Menke - January 16, 2024 at 09:44 PM

KM

*Our El Adobe dates were some great memories of ours! Mom loved your mama so much and I know they're laughing and dancing together in heaven now. Watching over all of us.*

Kellie McGuckin - January 19, 2024 at 07:00 AM



“ *Be My Love Bouquet with Red Roses was purchased for the family of JoAnne Stepp Sirus.*



January 16, 2024 at 09:26 AM

WK

“ *Willis & Myrna Kilpatrick planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of JoAnne Stepp Sirus.*

Willis & Myrna Kilpatrick - January 16, 2024 at 09:26 AM

NF

“ *New Day Christian Church Family purchased the Divine Peace Bouquet for the family of JoAnne Stepp Sirus.*



New Day Christian Church Family - January 15, 2024 at 12:16 PM



“ *Fiery Lily and Rose was purchased for the family of JoAnne Stepp Sirius.*



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January 13, 2024 at 12:20 PM



“ *Sue Ault planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of JoAnne Stepp Sirius.*

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**Sue Ault** - January 13, 2024 at 12:20 PM



“ *JoAnne was such a lovely lady. She was always smiling and greeted everyone with such warmth.*

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**Helen Cao** - January 13, 2024 at 07:49 AM



“ *Lavender Reflections Spray was purchased for the family of JoAnne Stepp Sirius.*



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January 12, 2024 at 08:59 PM



“ *I never heard JoAnne say a mean word about anybody!*

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**Willis Kilpatrick** - January 11, 2024 at 09:41 AM

JB

“ JoAnne was such a good mom & a kind woman. I spent a lot of time at their house with Katie when we were younger. They planned a baby shower for me at their house when I had my first child 20 years ago. It meant a lot to me. I will never forget her kindness. I'm sorry for your loss!

Jerolene Beechy - January 10, 2024 at 05:13 PM



“ I Have You In My Heart Plush Blanket was purchased for the family of JoAnne Stepp Sirus.



January 09, 2024 at 08:24 PM



“ Butterfly Whispers - Musical Water Globe was purchased for the family of JoAnne Stepp Sirus.



January 09, 2024 at 08:21 PM



“ 12 files added to the album *Memories Album*



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**Maloney Funeral Home** - January 09, 2024 at 05:27 PM