



Jeanne Marie Kunko

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A rosary service and funeral Mass are scheduled for Jeanne Kunko on Saturday, March 14, 2026, at St. Peters Catholic Church, beginning at 9:30am. Jeanne, 90, of Roswell, passed away peacefully at home February 22 in Roswell. The funeral Mass is to be officiated by Fr. Patrick Schafer, O.F.M.

Jeanne was born July 10, 1935, in Roswell, New Mexico at St. Mary's Hospital to Christopher and Angela Schnedar. She was preceded in death by her parents and two brothers, John A. Schnedar and Judge William J. Schnedar, and their wives Rita and Zudie.

Jeanne attended St. Peters Catholic School from grade school through high school and graduated in 1952. She attended Loretto Heights College for Women in Denver, CO, and graduated with a degree in Education. Jeanne married 1st Lt. Leonard L. Kunko on October 19, 1957 in Roswell, NM.

Together, they had five sons: Daniel, David, William, Paul and James, and lived in various locations through Len's military career. Jeanne and Len retired in Roswell where Jeanne was very involved raising her sons while also selling real estate. She enjoyed her line dance group, making stained glass pieces, quilting, and playing Scrabble. She was an avid walker and took pride in the long streaks of consecutive days she walked.

Jeanne is survived by her husband, Leonard, and her five sons: Daniel and Patricia Kunko of Arlington, Texas; David and Kim Kunko, of Roswell, New Mexico; William and Tina Kunko of Hobbs, New Mexico; Paul and Paula Kunko of Chalfont, Pennsylvania; and James Kunko of Watauga, Texas. Surviving grandchildren include: Nikki McGarvey and her husband Jeremy, Elizabeth Terrell and her husband Matt, Theresa Shaver and her husband Ben, Griffen Kunko and his wife Devon, Karly Kunko and her husband Ryan, Michael Kunko and his wife Laura, John Kunko, Amelia Kunko, Owen Kunko, Courtney Danner and her husband Stephen, Matt Kunko and his wife Jayeanah, Mackenzie Hanshew and her husband Curt, Jacob Kunko, and nineteen great grandchildren.

Jeanne is also survived by sister-in-law, Alice Kunko of Portage, PA, and brother-in-law Robert Kunko and his wife Gayle of Delmont, PA, and numerous nieces and nephews.

In lieu of flowers, we request that contributions be made in Jeanne's name to the Poor Clare Monastery, 809 E. 19th St. Roswell, New Mexico 88201 in thanksgiving for all the prayers offered on our behalf throughout the years.

Previous Events

Rosary and Service

MAR 14. 9:30 AM (MT)

St. Peter Catholic Church
111 E Deming St
Roswell, NM 88203
(575) 622-5092

Tribute Wall

CD

“ *Jeanne bottom row 2nd from right. My mom, Cheryl Smith Hughes, just above Jeanne. They remained good friends all their lives. I always loved talking with your mom and will forever remember her beautiful kind smile.*



Carol Dutchover - March 20 at 11:31 AM

NW

“ *I remember the great thanksgiving dinners she gave at her home for all the family. Everything would always be good and wonderful. You all are in my prayers 🙏❤️*
Nancy



Nancy Wenner - March 13 at 02:07 PM



“ *Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum was purchased for the family of Jeanne Marie Kunko.*



March 11 at 04:16 PM



“ A [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) was planted in honor of Jeanne Marie Kunko.

March 11 at 04:16 PM



“ I remember the first time I attended St. Peter's, you were the first one to make me feel welcomed. GOD bless you and your family 🙏 ✨ 🌊 the other "gene"



gene - March 10 at 11:29 PM



“ My condolences to the Kunko family on the loss of such an important family matriarch. Please know I have you all in my thoughts and prayers.



Georgianna Hunt - February 27 at 04:38 PM



“ Janie Mendoza lit a candle in memory of Jeanne Kunko



Janie Mendoza - February 27 at 05:11 AM

SU

“ I had the privilege of working alongside Jeanne in prolife services. She was a wonderful person and such a joy to be around. Susan

Susan - February 25 at 09:27 PM

LT

“ I remember aunt Jean telling us a story about the Kunko's beloved family, pet, Rascal. She explained, that the family went on a trip and had a neighbor coming over and feeding the family dog. When the family arrived home, Rascal was limping and limped for quite some time later, but seemed to be OK. Then, later, on another trip, after they arrived home, Rascal was seen limping very severely. So, aunt Jean, hid where rascal could not see her. It was then, that she observed that he was just fine walking and running around the backyard. However, when she went back into the yard again, he proceeded to limp.

As funny as this story is, I found it so hilarious watching her, explain this story. To this day I find that story heart warming, and I remember aunt Jean laughing so hard the whole time she was telling us about it.

Heartfelt healing wishes are being sent to all of the Kunko families, and especially uncle Len. May the wonderful and cherished memories bring you peace in your hearts.

Loraine Trust - February 25 at 01:30 PM

AM

“ Amanda lit a candle in memory of Jeanne Kunko



Amanda - February 25 at 12:27 PM

JB

I cherish the women that have inspired me in my Catholic faith and prayer life. Jeanne is one of them. Decades ago, we were talking about Len's military service and how she managed the household and their sons activities during his absence. With a since of confident gratitude, she told me about her daily recitation of the Memorare to the Blessed Virgin Mary. Admiring her humility and devotion, I am grateful to have followed her lead. May God bring peace and joy to the Kunko family's hearts today and during the years ahead. Please accept our condolences.

Jeannie & Marvin Burrows

Jeannie Burrows - March 07 at 12:14 PM