

Normandie Jean Pohley Niesman

August 4, 1943 (Elmhurst, IL)

January 4, 2026 (Madison, WI)

Normandie Jean Pohley Niesman, 82, of Rockford, IL, passed away on January 4, 2026, in Madison, WI, after a complication from surgery. She was born on August 4, 1943, in Elmhurst, IL, to Norman and Betty (Grant) Pohley. The name Normandie Jean Pohley appears on the Commencement Program of Rockford's West High School Class of 1961.



Jean spent her working career as an assistant mortgage officer and later enjoyed volunteering with the Rockford Park District. In her personal life, Jean adored cats and finches, collecting glass slippers, and Bob's Burgers. She will be missed for her warm sense of humor and remembered as someone who brought joy to all who had the privilege of knowing her.

She will be missed by those who loved her most, her children, Roger, Mark, Kurt, and Jenny; her grandchildren, Tabitha (Gage) Firman, Morgan Turner, Andrew Turner, and their mother, Sandy Morgan; sisters, Nora (Howard) Young, Noreen (John) Cacciapaglio, Noralee Nelsen, Norita Pohley, Karen Pohley, as well as numerous nieces and nephews.

She is predeceased by her parents; brother, Norman Pohley Jr.; and sisters, Norma Sue (Marvin) Leatherman and Laura (Dean) Bradford.

A time to gather and honor Jean's life will take place on Monday, January 19, 2026, from 10:30 a.m. until 12:00 p.m. at Fitzgerald Funeral Home & Crematory, 3910 N. Rockton Ave., Rockford, 61103. In lieu of flowers, memorials may be made to Noah's Ark Animal Sanctuary, <https://www.noahsarkanimals.org>. To send condolences online or share memories, please visit www.fitzgeraldfh.com

Reference:

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