



## Janet S Gries

January 13, 1965 - September 20, 2016

Janet Sue Gries, age 51, of Evansville, passed away on Tuesday, September 20, 2016.

Janet was the human resources manager at the Shoe Carnival distribution center. She was an avid and accomplished runner. She had run many races including the Boston Marathon. Janet also loved being outdoors, spending time hiking and kayaking. She loved animals, especially her cats. She was a fan of the Evansville Otters, attended many games and had served as a host for Otters' players.

Surviving Janet are a daughter, Jill Beamer; a son, Jared Beamer; parents, Jerry and Pamela Gries, all of Evansville and brothers, Eric Gries of Evansville and Kevin (Rachel) Gries of Greenwood, IN.

There will be a Mass of Christian Burial held at 10:00 A.M. on Friday at Holy Redeemer Catholic Church, Rev. Jason Gries officiating. Burial will follow in St. Joseph Catholic Cemetery.

Friends may visit with the family from 2:00 until 8:00 P.M. on Thursday at Pierre Funeral Home, 2601 W. Franklin Street and from 9:30 A.M. until service time on Friday at Holy Redeemer Catholic Church.

Memorial contributions may be made to the Vanderburgh County Humane Society, 400 Millner Industrial Drive, Evansville, IN 47710.

Condolences may be made online at [www.pierrefuneralhome.com](http://www.pierrefuneralhome.com).

# Cemetery Details

## St. Joseph Catholic Cemetery

2500 Mesker Park Drive  
Evansville, IN

# Previous Events

## Visitation

SEP **22**. 2:00 PM - 8:00 PM (CT)

Pierre Funeral Home  
2601 West Franklin Street  
Evansville, IN 47712  
(812) 423-6471  
info@pierrefuneralhome.com  
<https://www.pierrefuneralhome.com>

## Visitation

SEP **23**. 9:30 AM - 10:00 AM (CT)

Holy Redeemer Catholic Church  
918 West Mill Road  
Evansville, IN

## funeral

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# Tribute Wall



“ Pierre Funeral Home created a Tribute Video in memory of Janet S Gries



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**Pierre Funeral Home** - September 21, 2016 at 04:35 PM



“ Janet S Gries

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January 16, 2023 at 06:53 PM



“ Jerry & Pam, our sincere condolences to all the family for your tragic loss! Our thoughts & prayers are with all of you. May God's blessings give you strength & comfort.

*Dave & Rosie (Gries) Duncan*

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**Rose Duncan** - September 23, 2016 at 04:31 PM

MW

“Gone, but never forgotten. I am picturing sweet Janet running swiftly up in the clouds, watching over all of those she loved, like an Angel. Sure will miss her. <3 Was lucky enough to share some great chats after many races over the years, and ran some awesome miles with this fine woman.



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**Maria Wahl** - September 23, 2016 at 01:50 PM

BV

“Dear Jill & Jarod, So sorry to hear about your mom. You are in my prayers. Trust in God.  
Barb Verley, your third grade teacher

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**Barb Verley** - September 22, 2016 at 08:00 PM

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“So sorry to hear of your loss. Wishing the family peace and for God to give you comfort and courage to face the days ahead. may you draw close to God knowing that soon hw will eliminate such pain and suffering by means of his kingdom. (Rev.21:4)



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**Norma** - September 22, 2016 at 01:41 PM

CK

“ *Such a shame that such a young vibrant person had to be taken from this world so soon. I don't know her personally, but I always saw her jogging along Boonville-New Harmony Rd. Prayers sent out to her family in their time of sorrow.*

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**Cindy Krack** - September 22, 2016 at 12:27 PM



“ *Summer's Light Bouquet was purchased for the family of Janet S Gries.*



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September 22, 2016 at 10:28 AM

MK

“ *Janet Gries Family,  
No words could possibly comfort you with Janet's passing. Only know that many Evansville residents are thinking and praying for you and yours. Our prayer is that she will look lovingly, from heaven, upon all of you left behind.*

*Danny & Michele (Guetling) Knight*

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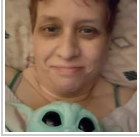
**Michelel Knight** - September 22, 2016 at 10:05 AM

BN

“ *Hard times require a solid faith that can be challenging in itself. I pray for the faith of all Janet's family. She died doing what she loved, but she cannot be replaced. All of us will miss her dearly. Our community lost a terrific person, and many prayers go to Janet's family. God Bless, Bryan Norman*

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**Bryan Norman** - September 22, 2016 at 09:16 AM



“ I want to send my sincerest condolences to the family of my friend, the anonymous cat lady, Janet Gries. She was a wonderful soul and so caring. She will be missed.

*Jennifer Hill*

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**Jennifer Hill** - September 22, 2016 at 09:01 AM

JE

“ Pam and Jerry:  
I am so very sorry for your loss; can't begin to imagine what you are going through. Thankfully you have your two wonderful grandchildren, two sons and their families to help and be there for you. I know you will never forget Janet but may be of some comfort to remember her because of all the wonderful memories you have of her, as well as all all the photographs you have of her. GOD BLESS ALL OF YOU!  
(I'm sorry that I won't be able to attend the visitation or funeral service because of prior commitments but my thoughts are certainly with you).

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**JUDY ESKEW** - September 22, 2016 at 07:18 AM

RS

“ My deepest sympathy to the Gries family and to Jill and Jared. With heavy hearts, we say goodbye to someone so young and full of energy. I had the pleasure to work with Janet for a short time while working at Shoe Carnival Distribution Center. She will be deeply missed by all who had any interaction with her. God be with you Janet and to her family and extended family.

*Rob Schmitt*

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**Rob Schmitt** - September 22, 2016 at 06:45 AM



“ *Pretty Please was purchased for the family of Janet S Gries.*



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September 22, 2016 at 05:50 AM



“ *Ran and competed many foot races with Janet. Janet loved running. Will miss you Janet. Deborah Zehr*

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**Deborah Zehr** - September 21, 2016 at 10:58 PM



“ *Brock, Brandon, Toby & Family purchased the Beautiful in Blue for the family of Janet S Gries.*



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**Brock, Brandon, Toby & Family** - September 21, 2016 at 06:32 PM



“ *Guiding Light Bouquet was purchased for the family of Janet S Gries.*



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September 21, 2016 at 05:20 PM



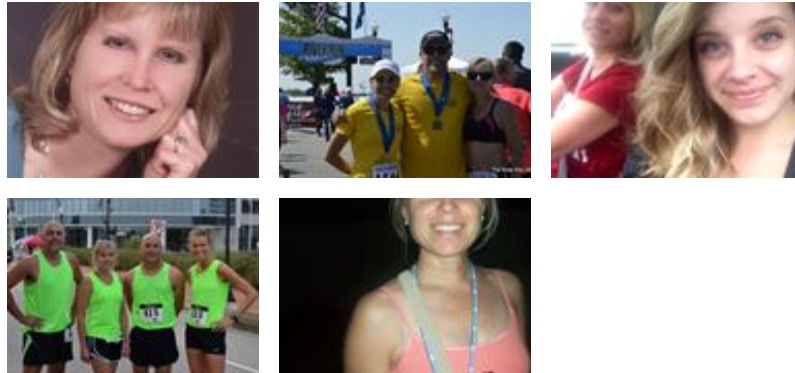
“ *Deepest sympathy to Jerry and Pam Gries, God bless.*

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**Ray and Wanda Klueh** - September 21, 2016 at 04:30 PM



“ 149 files added to the album *LifeTributes*



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**Pierre Funeral Home** - September 21, 2016 at 04:05 PM

GM

“ *Sorry for your loss, I know it will be a long hard road that will never end. Our thoughts and prayers are with you. God bless your family and may he heal your wounds.*

*Garland & Lynette Moore*

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**Garland Moore** - September 21, 2016 at 03:43 PM

SL

“ *Jerry, I am so sorry for the loss of your beautiful daughter Janet. May God's peace be with you and your family.*  
*Sandy Beierlein Luttrull*

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**Sandy Luttrull** - September 21, 2016 at 02:46 PM



“ *Beautiful in Blue* was purchased for the family of Janet S Gries.



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September 21, 2016 at 02:38 PM



“ *Jerry, Pam, Jill, Jared, Eric, and Kevin: My heart so deeply aches for you. I'm so sorry for your loss. I'm sure our whole neighborhood feels the darkness and emptiness that is filling your hearts. It's hard when death comes unexpectedly and we don't get to express our love and goodbyes. But I am convinced of God's love for Janet, and for you. And I am sure that she took all the love that you have always given her with her when she went to rest in the arms of Jesus. May the memories she left be a legacy of God's love for us. Oh the beautiful glow there must of been when her face met God's face! May our Lord comfort your hurting heart with tender care and the gentle hope of an eternal reunion.*

*Jim and Susan Helmer*

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**Susan M Helmer** - September 21, 2016 at 09:42 AM



“ *I am so sorry for your loss. I was part of the recolonization of Alpha Delta Pi at Indiana University and had the pleasure of calling Janet my sister. I remember our times there as if it were yesterday. Your family is in my thoughts and prayers.*

*Patty Thomas King  
St Pete Beach, FL*

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**Patty King** - September 21, 2016 at 09:23 AM

JH

“ So, sorry to hear about the passing of beautiful Janet. May sweet memories comfort all of you.

*Jeani Harl*

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**Jeani Harl** - September 21, 2016 at 09:23 AM

KK

“ Sincere sympathy to the Gries family...it's so difficult to comprehend this. Jerry and Pam, my parents, George and Bobbie Henry, were long time friends of yours, and I remember being at your wedding. It's been several years since we caught up on your front porch, and that is a fond memory for me. Janet's untimely passing was on what would have been my parents' 60th wedding anniversary. You are in my thoughts and prayers...God be with you.



*Sincerely,*

*Karen Henry Kuhlenhoelter*

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**Karen Henry Kuhlenhoelter** - September 21, 2016 at 08:56 AM

SG

“ Janet was a truly remarkable human being, a loyal friend, a real professional, a dedicated athlete, and an amazing mother. Our hearts are broken. We were deeply blessed to have her on our Shoe Carnival HR team and as a valued member of our family for over 12 years. Through her consistent, positive example and her leadership, she made us all better people and better professionals. Her energy, her intellect, and her laughter will be missed. She was so special, and so authentic. Our deepest condolences to her children, Jill and Jared, who we were fortunate to come to know. With heavy hearts, we say our goodbyes to our friend and colleague. We miss you, Janet. We will not be the same without you. - Sean Georges

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**Sean Georges** - September 21, 2016 at 08:48 AM

SG

“ Living in the same neighborhood we always shared a closeness. A different "family" unit. She was so devoted to her family, and dedicated to her running. When I had back surgery she brought over a delicious strawberry pie. There is an emptiness this morning in our neighborhood. A sadness in my heart. This morning I attended St Ben's mass and communion, and offered my plenary indulgence for Janet Sue Gries. Rest In Peace in Heaven, Janet. Prayers continue for her family.

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**Sue Gries** - September 21, 2016 at 08:30 AM



“ Divine Peace Bouquet was purchased for the family of Janet S Gries.



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September 21, 2016 at 07:48 AM

BJ

“ *BJ JONES lit a candle in memory of Janet S Gries*



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**BJ JONES** - September 21, 2016 at 07:01 AM



“ *So very sorry to hear about Janets passing. Very sweet lady that will be missed by all who met her. Prayers for her family & friends from Carolyn, Bill & Carrie Stader.*



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**Carrie Stader** - September 20, 2016 at 10:49 PM

JK

“ *what a wonderful person, so glad we got to meet her though the otter families, please know she is with our heavenly father now telling them all about her otter boys that she was so proud of, got to see her at many of the games in the last few years, sorry for her family but know god will be with u, Jackie and Tim Knight*



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**Jackie Knight** - September 20, 2016 at 10:36 PM

AD

“ *My sincere condolences to your family. I worked with Janet at Faultless Caster. She was always sweet and so proud of her children. I could always get a little chuckle from her. She was always motivated. She had beautiful blue eyes. Heaven has a new angel. Fly High Janet. Angie Danks*

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**Angie Danks** - September 20, 2016 at 09:51 PM



“ *Florist Choice Bouquet was purchased for the family of Janet S Gries.* ”



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September 20, 2016 at 08:38 PM