



Janis Elaine Saltsman

November 29, 1936 - January 2, 2026

Janis Elaine Bitner Saltsman, 89, of Lanexa, VA, passed away January 2, 2026. She was a reserved person with a dry sense of humor. Janis was doggedly determined to excel at everything she took on. She achieved academic success with her RN from The University of Pennsylvania, her Bachelor of Science in Nursing from The University of Maryland and her Master's in Public Health from John Hopkins. Janis went on to complete a long and diverse career. She retired as Director of Nursing for the State of Maryland health department. This was the highest position she could hold without a doctorate.

When she wasn't working or raising a family, she was crafting. She felt she had to have something to do all the time. Hand knitting sweaters and machine knitting blankets were her hobbies for a while. Janis crocheted chemo caps for Kennestone Hospital to give away to Chemo patients. She volunteered there for 20 years.

Janis tatted crosses to give away to members of the church who were struggling. Her last, all in craft was quilting and machine embroidery. She gave away quilts and blankets to graduating seniors in her neighborhood and cancer patients through Stitching Sally's.

Janis is survived by her three children, Glenn Saltsman (Dawn), Jean Forbes (Rick) and Jeffrey Saltsman (Wendy); a brother, George Bitner; a brother-in-law, Malvin Saltsman (Ellie); grandchildren, great-grandchildren, nieces and nephews.

She will be dearly missed by all who knew her and were recipients of her generosity.

A funeral service will be held 6 p.m. Tuesday, January 6th at Vincent Funeral Home, 417 11th Street, West Point, VA 23181. The family will receive friends two hours prior to the service at the funeral home Interment will be 1 p.m. Thursday in North Bend Cemetery, 112 Strawberry Alley, North Bend, PA 17760.

In lieu of flowers memorial donations may be made to West Point United Methodist Church, PO Box 610, West Point, VA 23181.

Previous Events

Visitation

JAN 6. 4:00 PM - 6:00 PM (ET)

Vincent Funeral Home, West Point Chapel
417 11th St
West Point, VA 23181
(804) 843-2550

Funeral Service

JAN 6. 6:00 PM (ET)

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Tribute Wall

RA

“ Dear Jean and Family, You all have my deepest sympathy. Love,
Ruth

Ruth Adams - January 05 at 07:34 PM

AW

“ Avril And Gerald Williams lit a candle in
memory of Janis Elaine Saltsman



Avril and Gerald Williams - January 05 at 12:16 PM

TW

“ Sorry For Your Loss



Thomas Widgeon - January 05 at 08:37 AM

JD

“ Jean, Rick and Family: We are so sorry for your loss. Your Mom
was such an accomplished person. May your memories bring you
comfort and peace. Sincerely, Lee and Johnny Davis

John W. Davis - January 03 at 07:43 PM