



## JoAnne E. Groleau

February 5, 1929 - March 9, 2019

JoAnne Elaine (Bouchard) Groleau

JoAnne Bouchard was born on February 5, 1929, daughter of Wilbrod and Lottie Bouchard. She grew up in beautiful Stockholm, Maine, just eighteen miles south of the Canadian border.

After graduating from high school in Auburn, Maine, this independent and driven young woman set her heart after a nursing degree. In 1949 she earned her degree at St. Mary's Hospital School of Nursing in Lewiston, Maine, and continued to work there as a nurse until 1988. In 1953 she married Joe Groleau and had a son, John in 1957.

JoAnne, Joe, and their son, John, enjoyed many summers at their camp in West Bath, Maine. By 1980, JoAnne had completed her Bachelor's and Master's degrees. She taught in St. Mary's School of Nursing until the school closed in 1988. She also supported her husband's business at Mary's Candy Shop by doing all the bookkeeping and creating hundreds of flowers each holiday season for decorating candies or Easter eggs.

She was also a proud member of St. Peter's Church in Lewiston. After Joe passed away in 1988, JoAnne delved into research for the Groleau family genealogy, and created bound books as a gift to the Groleau relatives.

JoAnne was also known for her gorgeous perennial flower gardens, dried flower arrangements, homemade crepes, but mostly for her sympathetic ear, her generous heart, and her hearty laugh.

She is loved and missed by her son, John Groleau, daughter-in-law, Layla,

grandchildren, Stephanie (and Christopher Peters), Shireen (and Kirby and Kirby Daniels V.), Michael (and Katy, Leo, and Luke Groleau), and Christopher, her brother Jerry, and numerous family members and friends. Funeral mass will be held Monday, March 18, 2019 at 10:00 AM at St. Katharine Drexel Catholic Church, 8S055 Dugan Road, Sugar Grove, IL. Interment will be private.

Visitation will be held Sunday March 17, 2019 from 3:00 PM until 5:00 PM at THE DALEIDEN MORTUARY, 220 North Lake Street, Aurora, Illinois 60506. (630) 631-5500.

Please visit our interactive website at [www.daleidenmortuary.com](http://www.daleidenmortuary.com) where you may sign the guest book or leave condolences for JoAnne's family.

# Previous Events

## Visitation

MAR 17. 3:00 PM - 5:00 PM (CT)

Daleiden Mortuary  
220 N. Lake Street  
Aurora, IL 60506  
(630) 631-5500  
daleidenmortuary@gmail.com  
<https://www.daleidenmortuary.com>

## Funeral Mass

MAR 18. 10:00 AM (CT)

St. Katharine Drexel Catholic Church  
8S055 Dugan Rd.  
Sugar Grove, IL 60554

# Tribute Wall



“ Daleiden Mortuary created a Tribute Video in memory of JoAnne E. Groleau



Daleiden Mortuary - March 15, 2019 at 03:24 PM

PV

*What a beautiful tribute to an amazing woman. She loved and was loved by many. The strong Groleau family will live on for many generations! How wonderful to have JoAnne and Joe as the head of this family. John , Layla, and family we are thinking of you. Love, Pam and Shawn VanKampen*

pam vankampen - March 17, 2019 at 12:10 PM

PR

*I am a former student from St. Mary's. Your mom was a wonderful nurse and fierce leader. I learned a lot from her and respected her guidance and leadership trying to mold us into the best nurse we could be. RIP Mrs. Groleau and my deepest sympathy to her family. Patricia Tousignant Rotthoff class of 1966. North Fort Myrs, FL.*

Patricia Tousignant Rotthoff - March 21, 2019 at 09:56 PM

MP

“ We are fortunate to have been welcomed in to the Groleau family through our son's marriage to Stephanie. An added bonus for us in this was the opportunity to meet Joanne and to see the very wonderful influence this strong, accomplished, loving, and unique woman had on this special family. She will be forever loved and appreciated.

*Our love to John and Layla, Stephanie, Shereen, Christopher, and Michael*

*Jean and Michael Peters*

Mike and Jean Peters - March 16, 2019 at 12:16 PM

SV

“ Rest In Peace, JoAnne”

Sue Veilleux - March 16, 2019 at 08:47 AM



“ 54 files added to the album Life Tributes



Daleiden Mortuary - March 15, 2019 at 02:13 PM

SG

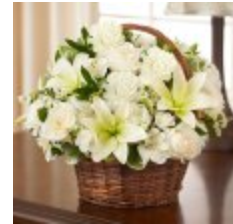
“ I have many fond memories of Aunt JoAnne and Uncle Joe. They and all the Groleau family welcomed me from Pennsylvania with much love, and some kidding, especially telling jokes and playing cards and games. JoAnne and I both grew and shared our love for genealogy, and she produced a terrific book for all of us to use and cherish. She did it with much hard and dedicated sleuthing in paper copy and by travel - Ancestry and other online sites were not available then. Mary's Candies was the best! I still have people come up to me, and ask if I am related to one or another of the Groleau's. I proudly say yes...  
Love, Sandi

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**Sandra Groleau** - March 14, 2019 at 12:48 PM



“ Peace, Prayers, & Blessings- All White was purchased for the family of JoAnne E. Groleau.

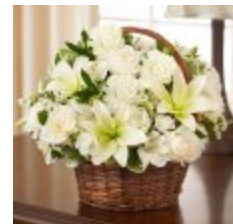


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March 14, 2019 at 12:27 PM

SG

“ Sandi, Ahren and Karen, Kaiden and Kolton, & Alyssa Groleau purchased the Peace, Prayers, & Blessings- All White for the family of JoAnne E. Groleau.



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**Sandi, Ahren and Karen, Kaiden and Kolton, & Alyssa Groleau** - March 14, 2019 at 12:24 PM

MG

“ *Michelle & Normand Groleau purchased the Sympathy Arrangement In Basket (Large) - Multicolor Bright Mixed Flowers for the family of JoAnne E. Groleau.*



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**Michelle & Normand Groleau** - March 14, 2019 at 12:23 PM

SV

“ *My condolences to her family. She was my nursing instructor from 1962 until 1965. A tough and caring instructor. She later became a friend and watched our family growth at Mary's Candy Shop. She will forever be in loving memory at St. Mary's Hospital and all the hearts and healing hands of her nurses. May you rest eternally in the loving hands of Our Healer , Jesus Christ. Susanne Vallee Veilleux, RN*

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**Susanne Veilleux** - March 14, 2019 at 12:09 PM

YB

“ *To the Groleau and Bouchard Family,*

*Our condolences to your family. May your memories of the wonderful times you shared with Mrs. Groleau comfort you and your family, today and always.*

*Roger M. & Yvonne F. Bouffard  
Lewiston, Maine*

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**Yvonne F. Bouffard** - March 14, 2019 at 10:02 AM

GS

“ My deepest sympathies to the family, friends and coworkers 🙏!



*Although I didn't know JoAnne I loved Mary's Candy Shop and bought sugarless Chocolate's there very often!*

*After my kids were born we went to Mary's Candy Shop to buy candy and when they were old enough we went every Easter 🐣 and let them pick out what they wanted for Easter!*

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**Gloria Shoemaket** - March 14, 2019 at 08:12 AM

AL

“ Anita, John & Gaby, Debby, Connie and Bob & Linda purchased the Peace, Prayers, & Blessings - Lavender and White for the family of JoAnne E. Groleau.



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**Anita, John & Gaby, Debby, Connie and Bob & Linda** - March 13, 2019 at 10:17 AM