



## Josephine A. Bolanz

May 3, 1943 - February 22, 2018

Josephine A. Bolanz, 74, of Carrollton passed away early Thursday morning February 22, 2018 in the Community Hospice Truman House in New Philadelphia, Ohio.

Born May 3, 1943 in Canton, Ohio, she was a daughter of the late Silvie and Cecil Johnson Groom.

Josephine was the owner and operator of Jo's Tan-O-Rama in Carrollton for 13 years. She was a member of Our Lady of Mercy Catholic Church.

She is survived by a son, Robert (Anna) Bolanz; two daughters, Becky (Joe) Petrim and Stephanie Schmidt; eight grandchildren; five great grandchildren; and a brother, Alfred (Patty) Groom.

Along with her parents she was preceded in death by her husband, Walter Bolanz, in 2007; a sister, Marjorie Keane; and a brother, Mifred Groom.

Mass of Christian Burial will be Monday, February 26, 2018 at 11 a.m. in Our Lady of Mercy Catholic Church in Carrollton with Fr. Anthony Batt officiating. Burial will follow in Baxter's Ridge Cemetery near New Harrisburg. Visitation will be Sunday from 1-3 p.m. in Dodds Funeral Home of Carrollton.



# Cemetery Details

## Baxter's Ridge Cemetery

4006 Jade Road NW  
Carrollton, OH 44615

# Previous Events

## Visitation

FEB 25. 1:00 PM - 3:00 PM (ET)

Dodds Funeral Home-Carrollton  
129 N Lisbon St  
Carrollton, OH 44615  
(330) 627-5505  
<https://www.doddsfuneralhomes.com/>

## Service

FEB 26. 11:00 AM (ET)

Our Lady of Mercy Catholic Church  
616 Roswell Road SW  
Carrollton, OH 44615  
(330) 627-4664

# Tribute Wall

DR

“ I remember Jo want always helping others. It didn't matter if it was working on cars or planting a garden. She was hard working. No matter what work she was going her nails were always strong and long. I wished I had her finger nails. Family was everything to her. She loved living in the country. Carrollton was easy living compared to Cleveland. Her brother, Alfred and I, had moved her three times in four months.

She was easy going. It was very rarely that she would say anything negative about anyone. I was so happy when she married Walt. Her life improved so much.

In April 1969, I moved to Ohio from Calif. I was so scared. Jo opened her arms to welcomed me, I never forgot that.

The last time we saw each other and had a heart to heart talk. She told me that she missed me being part of the family. We both agreed. We would always be family and friends regardless.

It sadden me that she would not stop smoking. I will miss her.

It was wonderful seeing her (my) family. It had been at least 30 to 35 years.

Until we met again may the Lord give you peace of mind in remembering the good things in life.

Diana (Groom) Ramsey

PS- The flowers I ordered was not delivered because the florist was closed on Sunday they could not get the flowers made and delivered on time.

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Diana Ramsey - February 26, 2018 at 05:48 PM

NM

“ *Niece Maria lit a candle in memory of Jospehine A. Bolanz*



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**Niece Maria** - February 25, 2018 at 07:41 PM

EL

“ *In August 1975, my mother went to California to visit her family. My brother, Gary, and I stayed with Aunt Jo at her house in Cleveland. I was 6 and still sucked my thumb. Aunt Jo did not like this at all. She kept telling me to stop. At one point, she told me, "If I catch you with your thumb in your mouth again, I am going to put socks around them." Several hours later, I had forgotten and had my thumb in mouth again. And true to her word, she took me into the big living room and put a white men's tube sock around each thumb. I remember laying on the big green couch crying as my thumbs were gone. It worked to cure me of sucking my thumb.*

*This was my first my memory of Aunt Jo and will always be my favorite.*

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**elaine** - February 25, 2018 at 06:08 AM

EL

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**elaine** - February 25, 2018 at 04:52 AM

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**Gary Groom** - February 25, 2018 at 02:09 AM

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**Gary Groom** - February 25, 2018 at 01:38 AM

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**Patty Groom** - February 24, 2018 at 04:33 PM

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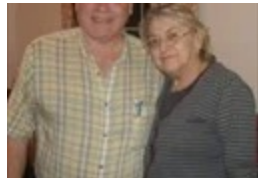
*Maria, your youngest Niece, will remember you lovingly and fondly Aunt Jo.*

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**Patty Groom** - February 24, 2018 at 04:40 PM

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**Patty Groom sister in law** - February 24, 2018 at 03:49 PM

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**Patty Groom** - February 24, 2018 at 03:32 PM

LR

“ *Lori RINEHART lit a candle in memory of  
Josphine A. Bolanz*



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**Lori RINEHART** - February 23, 2018 at 06:31 PM

LR

*Joe was a good soul always talking and asking about your family it was  
so fun going there to tan and just talk to her and wait such good people  
! Rest in peace joe !*

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**Lori RINEHART** - February 23, 2018 at 06:33 PM