

# *Jean Ann Husby*

February 9, 2012

**Jean (Urbaniak) Husby**, age 52, made her transition on Thursday, February 9, 2012. Free from pain, she now lives on in our hearts and minds as one of our angels who will continue to touch our lives, just as she did when you first met her.



Jean was born in Superior, WI on January 16, 1960. She graduated from Superior Senior High in 1978 and was a life-long advocate of education. Jean earned an Associate of Applied Science Degree in Marketing from Western Technical College in La Crosse, Bachelor's and Master's of Science Degrees in Education from the University of Wisconsin-Stout and a Master of Education – Professional Development from the University of Wisconsin-La Crosse.

Jean began working part time at the age of 8, cleaning classrooms at St. Stanislaus Catholic School in Superior, WI in lieu of paying tuition. It was through this experience that she gained an appreciation for education. At age 15, she began working full time managing a small cheese house on Lake Superior and continued to work full time in a variety of marketing and management related jobs while pursuing her studies as a full time student.

Jean married Brad Husby in 1985 and in 1988 they purchased Scenic Acres Farm, a grade "A" dairy, crop and livestock operation located in Weston Township, Menomonie, WI where together they worked as owner/operators until their 20 year marriage ended amicably in 2005. Brad was referred to by Jean as her "was-band" rather than her "x-husband."

Jean loved to travel and had the opportunity to see all 48 states in the intercontinental United States. Internationally; she travelled to China, Venezuela, the Netherlands Antilles, Jamaica, the Dominican Republic and London. She loved

music and she loved to dance. She attended hundreds of concerts throughout her life and was particularly fond of Rock 'n Roll and Blues. Friends say she lived her life having "No Regrets"

Most recently, Jean worked for 20 years at Chippewa Technical College (CVTC) as a full time Marketing Instructor and served as Wisconsin Marketing & Management Association student advisor. She taught at the University of Wisconsin-Stout for four years in the Department of Business and served as American Advertising Federation student advisor prior to her tenure at CVTC. Her teaching philosophy was: "Tell me, I forgot. Show me, I remember. Involve me, I understand." (Chinese Proverb)

She is survived by her soul mate and partner, Bill Hady and their beloved Springer Spaniel; "Silvermine's Ms. Madeline (Maddie) Hady", one brother, John Urbaniak, Superior; one sister, Diane (Dave) Noble, Menomonie, WI, two brothers-in-law, two nephews and two nieces, and dear friends, Cathy & Glen Heytens and Cheryl and Carol (Stone) Kandler. She was preceded in death by her mother, Irene Kay (Kubalak) Urbaniak (1925-1968); her father, Walter Joseph Urbaniak (1925-2000), and a sister Susan (Mark) Flynn (1954-2009). Jean was also preceded in death by her maternal and paternal grandparents who migrated to the United States from Czechoslovakia and Poland respectively, via Ellis Island.

Jean would like to thank her oncologist; Daniel Burns; her primary care physician; Dr. Susan Rowe; and her dedicated gifted nurses: Laura, Kathi, Wendy (Wednesday), Kathryn, Kim, Carol, and Cori at the Mayo Clinic Health System Cancer Care Center in Eau Claire-Luther Campus for the excellent care they provided.

In lieu of flowers please send donation to Unity Christ Center, 1808 Folsom St, Eau Claire, WI 54703 where Rev. Sandra McKinney will officiate a "Celebration of Jean" on Saturday, February 18, 2012 at 4:00 PM. Friends may call ½ hour prior to service.

Online condolences may be left at [www.cremationsociety-wi.com](http://www.cremationsociety-wi.com)

Cremation Society of Wisconsin is assisting the family.

Service

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