



Joann Eleanor Senner

October 16, 1935 - April 6, 2026

Joann Eleanor Senner, age 90, of Richey, Montana, passed away on Monday, April 6, 2026, at McCone County Health Center in Circle, Montana. Funeral services will be held at 2:00 PM at the Richey Alliance Church on Tuesday, April 14, 2026 with Pastor Fred Kanagy officiating. Interment will follow in the Richey Cemetery. Silha Funeral Home of Glendive, Montana has been entrusted with arrangements.

Joann Eleanor Senner was born October 16, 1935, in Glendive, MT, to Elmer & Viola (Babb) Schmasow. She graduated with the Richey High School Class of 1953.

After High School, Mom moved to Glendive to work for Shell Oil Co. She loved her job.

On August 28, 1955, Joann married Walter Senner. They made their home on the family farm in Bloomfield, MT. Mom loved the farm and especially summer fallowing with her 935 Versatile tractor. Mom also loved to bake. We could always count on something freshly baked when we came home from school. Mom also baked cinnamon rolls and brownies for the truck drivers at CHS, where her son-in-law Lee worked. Mom also taught after-school Bible Club. She loved those kids and teaching them about Jesus.

Walter and Joann had two daughters, Patty (Tyke) Colbert and Pamela (Lee) Schipman, 5 granddaughters and 13 great-grandchildren. Mom loved going to her grandchildren and great-grandchildren's activities. She was their biggest cheerleader. Mom was known as "Little Joe, Grandma Jo & Grandma Big Bird" (due to her yellow curlers).

In January 2018, Dad and Mom moved to The Lodge in Sidney. Then six months later, Dad moved to the Eastern Montana Veterans Home in Glendive and Mom moved to The Grandview. Mom would go see Dad most every day for five-and-a-half years. In 2023, Dad went to be with Jesus. Mom Lost her forever partner.

In 2024, Mom moved back to The Lodge. The day after Christmas in 2025, Mom moved to the McCone County Health Center in Circle. Oh, how she longed to be with Jesus and her husband!

On Monday, April 6, 2026, Mom went to be with her Lord and Savior. Thank you to the people of The Grandview, The Lodge, and Circle Healthcare for taking such good care of Mom. She loved each place and made many good friends.

Joann was preceded in death by her husband, Walter; her parents, Elmer and Viola; her sister, Betty; and brother-in-law, Stafford Reeves.

Remembrances and condolences can be shared with the family at www.silhafuneralhomes.com.

Cemetery Details

Richey Cemetery

Richey, MT 59259

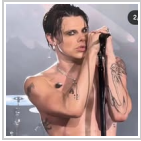
Previous Events

Funeral Service

APR **14**. 2:00 PM - 3:00 PM (MT)

Richey Alliance Church
311 S Main St
Richey, MT 59259
(406) 773-5548

Tribute Wall



“ *Kymerberley Allen lit a candle in memory of Joann Eleanor Senner*



Kymerberley Allen - April 27 at 12:56 PM

LS

“ *Lindsay Sadorf lit a candle in memory of Joann Eleanor Senner*



Lindsay Sadorf - April 20 at 05:46 AM

DK

“ *Some of my best childhood memories were visiting Aunt Joann and Uncle Walt at the farm! I can still remember Aunt Joann making cheesy popcorn in her kitchen and Uncle Walt cracking jokes!*

Dawn Keith - April 17 at 01:54 PM

AR

“ *Andeen A Raymond lit a candle in memory of Joann Eleanor Senner*



Andeen A Raymond - April 14 at 01:32 PM

MG

“ your mom was at grandview with my mom, while both of their husbands were out at the Vets home, and the men were roommates for a while at the Vets home as well. She was a sweet lady and i am so glad she is now with her husband in heaven. You will be in my thoughts and prayers.

Melissa Powell Gullikson - April 14 at 10:51 AM

MB

“ Marie Barthel lit a candle in memory of Joann Senner



Marie Barthel - April 12 at 04:43 PM



“ Kymberley Allen lit a candle in memory of Joann Eleanor Senner



Kymberley Allen - April 09 at 08:14 PM

MG

“ Joanne had just the best sense of humor. I enjoyed so much getting to know her when she attended the Sunday evening church services during her time at Grandview in Glendive. I will always remember her great love for Walt.

Marilyn Nadine Green - April 09 at 12:23 AM

BM

“ *Brenda Mischel lit a candle in memory of Joann Eleanor Senner*



Brenda Mischel - April 08 at 09:41 PM

CB

“ *She was such a sweet and special lady. Condolences to all her famil*

Cindi Byron - April 08 at 07:43 PM

SD

“ *Donnie and I loved it when Walt and Joann came to the DQ. Loved hearing JoAnn's laughter. She made the room light up with her presence. May you and Walt be together again.*

Sherilyn D Danielson - April 08 at 04:36 PM

AS

“ *Anita Spencer lit a candle in memory of Joann Eleanor Senner*



Anita Spencer - April 08 at 03:41 PM