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Editor

Editor's Note...

Past IAI President Janice "Jan" Marie Johnson, passed away peacefully in Pensacola, Florida, after a long and valiant battle with cancer that began in 2021.

Jan Johnson was a long-time member of the IAI, serving on many subcommittees, and was a Crime Scene Certification Board member. She served as a member of the IAI Board of Directors and then served in Vice President positions, eventually becoming our President in 2003. Jan remained active with the organization throughout her life and was a fixture at every subsequent conference as an instructor and lecturer, and as a vendor for her company.

Jan was born in New Martinsville, West Virginia, and graduated from Valley High School in Pine Grove, WV, in 1967. She started her career at the Federal Bureau of Investigation, where she worked as a Fingerprint Analyst in the Fingerprinting Division for ten years.

After a rewarding career with the FBI, Jan transitioned to the Florida Department of Law Enforcement's (FDLE) Crime Scene Unit. She worked at FDLE for over 20 years, eventually retiring as a Senior Crime Scene Analyst. She testified in numerous court cases during her career.

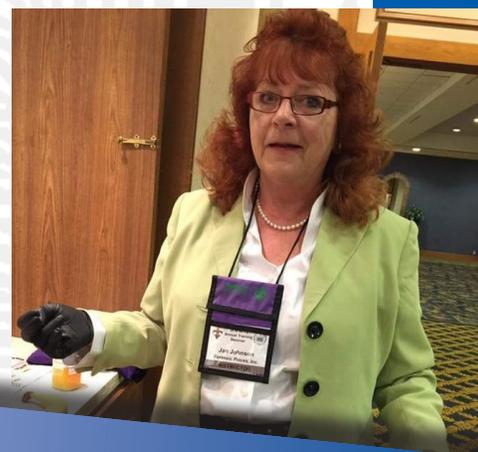
Upon her retirement in 2000, Jan opened her forensic training and consulting company, Forensic Pieces. She traveled worldwide and trained thousands of law enforcement and other personnel in crime scene investigation and its many facets. Jan was a mentor to all and had a strong positive influence on those she met and instructed. She expressed a desire to teach until the end of her life. Her last class was in West Palm Beach, Florida, less than a month before her passing. Teaching was her greatest joy even in the darkest moments of the last several years.

Jan and her late husband, Phil, married on Valentine's Day, February 14, 1983. In 2021, Phil passed away from his own battle with cancer. February 14, 2023, would have marked their 40th Anniversary.

Jan's hobbies included Jazzercise, shopping, listening to "oldies," building relationships wherever her life took her, and lounging with all her sweet puppies; both she and Phil shared a passion for rescuing dachshunds.

On behalf of the IAI, we send her brother Ron Horner, her nephew, James Daniel Horner, and her countless friends our deepest condolence.

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