



## Sally Ann Jordan

February 19, 1939 - April 29, 2021

GORHAM - Sally Jordan, 82, of Gorham passed away unexpectedly but peacefully on Thursday April 29th, at Maine Medical Center, with her children at her side. She was born February 19, 1939 in Augusta, ME. She grew up in Readfield, ME and attended Kents Hill School, graduating valedictorian in '56, and earned her nursing certificate at Deaconess in Boston. She met her husband, Richard Jordan, while he was serving in the military, and they raised a family while travelling throughout Germany, Belgium, and New York City, eventually returning to Maine. She worked in the nursing profession and as a substance abuse counselor for women. After her divorce, she met Joe Alduino, and they were partners until his death. Sally enjoyed walking, cross-country skiing, and spending time in nature. She supported the Animal Refuge League, Maine Audubon, Portland Museum of Art, and various environmental and humanitarian projects worldwide. She had a love for the arts, and enjoyed operas at the Met, art festivals, musical theater, and concerts, ushering for the PSO for many years. What she liked most about these events was sharing them with her friends and family. She was an avid reader, a jewelry artisan, and a lover of animals – especially her beloved dog Clara and cat Cuddles. She was a wonderful mother and friend - a loving, gentle, sensitive, and empathic person who was always available to listen and help others.

Sally is predeceased by her sister, Susan Mae Cartlidge, and her parents, Winfield and Helen Cartlidge. She is survived by her daughter Debbie Hejduk and husband John, son Jeff Jordan and wife Christine, granddaughters Aimee Nelson and husband Josh, and Becky Orsulic, grandsons Nathaniel Jordan and Abraham Jordan, great grandchildren Alissa and Trevor Orsulic, Drake, Taylor, and Zach, and great-great grandchildren Raelyn and Kennedy.

A small private interment ceremony will take place later in the year. In lieu of flowers, donations may be made to the Animal Refuge League of Greater Portland, 217 Landing Rd, Westbrook, ME 04092. To express condolences or to participate in Sally's online tribute, please visit [www.DolbyBlaisSegee.com](http://www.DolbyBlaisSegee.com).

# Comments

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“ We were saddened to learn of Sally's passing. We have so many memories of fun summers in Maine with Dick, Sally, Jeff and Debby - jet skiing, water skiing (Sally made it look so easy!), lobster by the dock, canoeing, boating through the locks at Lake Sebago. We will never forget the special cats - LS "Little Shxx" and Tinkshi the Siamese. Sally was a special lady and we feel blessed to have known her for so many years and shared so many good times together. She was always compassionate, empathetic and calm. She cared deeply about her family and grandchildren and the world is a little less without her in it. Our deep condolences to her family. Love, Heather, Cindy & Noah Henyon

**Heather Henyon** - June 08, 2021 at 05:34 PM

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“ On behalf of the Buxton family, formerly of Readfield, Maine, I offer our deep condolences to Sally's family and many friends. I grew up in Readfield , Maine, where my family was close to Sally's , the Cartlidges . My sister, Sancy Buxton, attended Kent's Hill School a year ahead of Sally, and they were friends. We spent time at their home, as our parent played Canasta and Bridge and laughed. Sally's parents had active senses of humor, to say the least, especially Helen. Their home, located on the Old Kent's Hill road, was immaculate. As is too often the case, time separated us all. Reading the many memories of Sally here, it is unsurprising to see she lived a life of love and caring for others and especially for family.

May peace be with all who knew and loved Sally.

Tony Buxton

**anthony buxton** - May 22, 2021 at 11:29 AM

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“ I worked with Sally at Leavitts Mill and she was a kind and caring soul. She talked often of her grandchildren and was very proud of them all, and her beautiful animals. Sending prayers and peace to her family and friends.

**Donna Butler Shepard** - May 14, 2021 at 05:22 PM

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“ I'm very saddened by Sally's passing. I have many fond memories of various outings over the years but one that pops into mind is that of a few years of regular hot-fudge sundae dates. I had always limited the ice cream choice to vanilla or coffee but Sally and Joe felt that good chocolate went well on all flavors. They were right! I will miss Sally but I'm especially sorry for her family's loss. May Sally rest in peace. Jo Coyne

Jo Coyne - May 08, 2021 at 09:33 AM

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“ I first met Sally when I was an intern at Crossroads. What a special lady. During the years since, I often saw Sally at the Symphony, Symphony, and when she was my doctor's nurse. She was always so friendly and welcoming. I can't tell you how much I loved seeing her. Please accept my deepest feelings of sympathy. Sally and you, her family, are in my prayers. Mary J Strnad

Mary J Strnad - May 08, 2021 at 08:22 AM

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“ I met Sally soon after she loss Joe and I had loss my husband. I never met anyone with a more gentle heart and soul than Sally. We would occasionally run into each other at events of mutual interest, and she was always so gracious and kind. What a remarkable woman. A wonderful role model. I will always remember her. My condolences.  
Linda Nadeau

Linda Nadeau - May 07, 2021 at 08:26 PM

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“ When I first moved to Gorham in 2011, Sally reached out to me.. We shared interest in animal welfare, Health food stores, and Jewelery shopping.. She was a gentle and caring person. Miss You Sally Rest In Peace  
Amanda Vieira

amanda Vieira - May 07, 2021 at 02:19 PM

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“ I will miss Sally’s sweet, kind heart, her gentle character, and welcoming smile. We have attended theater together for the past 25 years, sharing a meal and conversation afterwards. Over the years, she has been a stable force in my life, offering sage advice when needed. Since the pandemic began, we had to switch our conversations to phone or zoom, but that didn’t stop Sally from keeping in touch. We talked often about the books she was reading. Many of the books I suggested, she had already read. I’ve been thinking about the things that she loved. She loved to learn new things either about people, cultures, or crafts. I remember how excited she was about her trip to Asia. Even though she wasn’t able to continue with her jewelry making after her stroke, she was learning how to crochet to nurture her creative side. She loved molasses cookies. They were her first request when she was at Gorham House. She loved pansies. We were planning a trip to the garden center to pick up some pansies, so even though we couldn’t do it together, I’ve bought those pansies now. They will go in a planter on my deck, to remind me of Sally. My condolences to her family.

**Elizabeth Bell** - May 07, 2021 at 09:48 AM

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“ Dear Jeff, Debbie and family, please accept my condolences at Sally’s passing. As her cousin, I have many good memories of her over the years. May she be at peace.

**George Prescott** - May 07, 2021 at 08:38 AM

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“ I am a driver for Independent Transportation Network and greatly enjoyed my trips with Mrs. Jordan. She radiated a sense of grace and good sense. I send my condolences to her family and friends.

John R. Bass

**John Bass** - May 07, 2021 at 08:30 AM

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“ Sending my heartfelt sympathy to Sally's family. I had the honor of working with Sally at the hospital. Never have I known a more kind and caring person, who lived her life to the fullest. She will be deeply missed. Sending love and prayers to her children. Sandra Simmonds.

**Sandra G Simmonds** - May 07, 2021 at 05:31 AM

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“ Sally will truly be missed at Symphony. I have so enjoyed her friendship. Many memories we shared together. Grace and Peace be with you all. Sincerely, Kathy Barnhart

**kathy Barnhart** - May 06, 2021 at 10:05 PM

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“ After I had heard about Sally's illnesses over the last year, I had hoped Sally would recover and we would again start doing the things we used to do. The last 10 years are decorated with fun times with Sally and Lois--to fiddle shows, memorials in the park, movies, art shows, dinners at local restaurants, and many big get togethers over the years during the summers and holidays at Lois's. She was a wonderfully gracious and highly intelligent lady, very warm and easy to be with. I took for granted I would see her again when the pandemic gave us more freedom. I will miss you very much Sally. My Condolences to Sally's family.

**Joyce Rowe** - May 06, 2021 at 05:35 PM

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“ I wish to convey my sympathies to Sally’s family in the loss of such a dear woman. Sally and I had been friends for over 30 years and her friendship, as well as her partner Joe’s when he was living, has been a special part of my life. Sally was one of the most sensitive and tender people I have known. I remember one of the things we did early in our friendship and before she met Joe, was to go to the movies to see Schindler’s List (her suggestion) At the end of the movie, Sally sat quietly, tears rolling down her cheeks, and seemed so moved by the film that she seemed almost unable to return to the present moment. Some time after the theater was completely empty, she finally stirred and “came back” from being so lost in her emotions.

She had such an appreciation for creative efforts of all kinds. One of the things we loved to do together was go to art and craft exhibits where her appreciation of others’ creations was so obvious, and never did she criticize any of them. Joe seemed to enjoy these outings almost as much as we did, although if there were a beer tent at the exhibit, he would eventually leave his women companions to restore himself with a cold brew. He and Sally both loved their trips to NYC which almost always included a night at the Opera. Unlike my friends, I was not a fan of the Opera, although I did come to appreciate and enjoy it, thanks to Sally.

The one thing about my friend that keeps coming to mind since her passing is how lacking in judgement of others Sally was. I cannot think of one time in all the years of our friendship, that I ever heard her speak a critical or negative word about someone else. I find this extraordinary, as I can’t think of another person I have known well that I could say this about. She truly lived the concept that if you have nothing good to say about someone, say nothing at all. She was a gentle and caring friend, and is, and will be, greatly missed.  
Lois Stock

Lois Stock - May 06, 2021 at 01:36 PM

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“ My daughters Jennifer Weliczka and Julie Kilcoyne, and I are truly sorry to hear of Sally’s passing - our thoughts and prayers are with her family. Sincerely Joe Kilcoyne.

JOSEPH KILCOYNE - May 06, 2021 at 12:10 PM