

Janet Bernice Steffens Mann was born on August 14, 1930, in St. Louis, Missouri. Life was never the same when Janet arrived in the Steffens household. She was the youngest of three children to Oscar and Mary Steffens. From the start, Janet, the "tomboy," played softball or got into fights with the neighborhood boys. In her quiet time, Janet was an avid reader, often sneaking away to read a book. One of Janet's favorite stories is the day her mom found her in the furnace coal bin reading a book. Janet excelled in high school and was involved in extracurricular activities including editor of the school's newspaper and performing in several musical productions. Janet was also in the All City Acapella Choir, performing all over St. Louis. While in high school, Simplicity Patterns Company selected Janet to model their suits in numerous fashion shows. After graduation, Janet worked for a company that insured circus people through Lloyds of London. She also worked at Ashby Manufacturing as a secretary to the vice president and then as a stenographer and secretary at Mallinckrodt Chemical Works.

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Janet married Jack Mann in 1951. They moved to Denver, Colorado, in 1953, where Janet lived for the next 62 years. They always had one or two dogs to bless their home. During this time, she worked for a number of companies, including Dunn and Brad Street, Franklin Supply Company and as a general manager for Petroleum Information. 1991 was a difficult year for Janet, when she lost her husband, Jack, as well as her job at Petroleum Information. Janet stayed in Denver for the next 14 years, turning her love for dogs into a successful dog-sitting practice. Janet moved to Harlingen, Texas, in 2015 to be closer to her older sister and brother-in-law. She moved to Houston, Texas, in November 2024. During her lifetime, Janet traveled to Denmark, Holland, Greece, and Malta. Today, Janet still enjoys reading, American history, and of course, loving dogs.







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Greetings!

Hello, and welcome to April! Warmer weather is on the way, and I hope all of you get a chance to enjoy the beauty of spring. And while you're at it, pop in and say hi—my door is always open!

Plant Seeds of Kindness

"We are on Earth to take care of life. We are on Earth to take care of each other." — Xiye Bastida

Parkinson's Awareness

A neurodegenerative disorder, Parkinson's disease affects 10 million people worldwide and about 1 million in the U.S. Every April, Parkinson's Disease Awareness Month offers opportunities to learn more about this condition and discover ways to provide support.

Easter Joy

We want to wish all of our residents a happy Easter! We hope you and your loved ones have a joyous holiday.

"April is a promise that May is bound to keep."

—Hal Borland





Meet your Resident Council Executive Committee; President: Bob S., Vice President: Dale W., Secretary: Dale H., Council Representatives: Sandie, Bill, and Patsy.







"Community vibes only!"



Resident Birthdays

04/10 Mary Fairrington04/14 Clarita Belvis04/28 Mary Best

Springtime Adventures

Spring is here, and we're excited! We have several outings planned, and we'd love to have you join us as we celebrate the season. Look for outings on the calendar, and remember to sign up in the activity room to reserve your spot on the bus.

Veteran of the Month



Kathy Tucker U.S. Navy Stationed in Washington, D.C.





