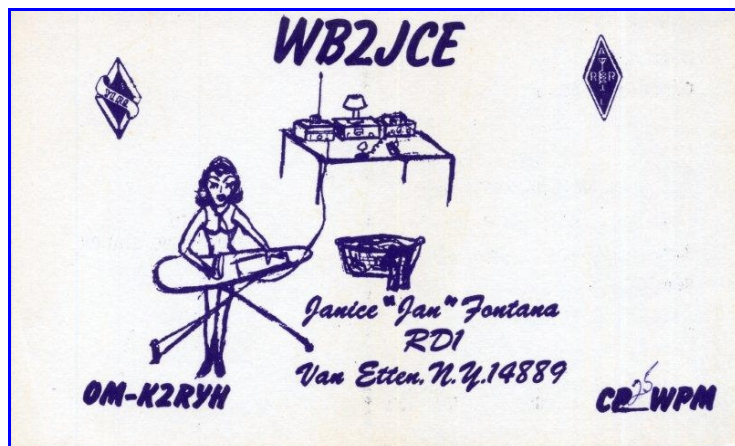


Janice R. (Jan) Scheuerman WA2YL - KJ4N - WB2JCE *1933-2007* Of Cape Coral, Fla. In her own words “I am a person of faith and a few years ago was fortunate enough to have the unique opportunity to travel to Jamaica on a short-term mission to help in the clinics and witness to the islanders.”

Licensed as WN2JCE in 1963, primarily a cw operator on the traffic nets. A fine rag chewer on the telegraph key which we will not forget the several enjoyable HF contacts with Jan. She said “topping my list of favorite things to do, of course, is ham radio. I enjoy being a YL.” In radio circles this means “female operator,” but the words stand for “young Lady” and no matter how old you may be! I like that! I’ve been talking in Morse Code now for over 40 years and it holds the same fascination for me today that it did in the beginning. There’s nothing in the world like sending out a CQ and wondering who will answer...or if anyone will hear it. Mostly I’ve been a CW operator and handling traffic on the ARRL nets. Jan operated as a member of the first all female DX-pedition to Niue Island in 1988 as ZK2JS.



Jan’s signals on HF were heard on Southcar and Eastcar traffic nets all along the highways as she drove often between her home in Cape Coral to her family in New Jersey.

Our subject was very active in the QCWA and a good recruiter for them and the ARRL. She held office as secretary in the local chapter and was active supporter of the QCWA national scholarship program. Her ARRL activity for several years as

Section Traffic Manager in Southern Florida, enjoyed attending “Hamfests.” She was well known even at the large Dayton hamfest. Her local activities included participation in the Fort Meyers Amateur Radio Club and assignment as hospital communicator with ARES in Lee County.



Operating K2BR at Miss America Pageant

Jan operated at the ham message booth near the entrance to Miss America Pageant for thirty consecutive years sending NTS messages back home for the contestants and pageant visitors. She enjoyed getting to know the girls and their families. Her non ham accolades include being honored by the American Business Women’s Association for Woman Of the Year before the move to Florida.

Jan battled cancer for 14 years, beginning with thyroid cancer. She founded the Suncoast Chapter of THYCA (Thyroid Cancer Survivors Association.) She leaves a son, two daughters, two stepsons, two sisters and six grandchildren survive her. Partially scripted from Ft Myers ARC, World Radio March 2008 Issue.