

**Princess Muna al-Hussein JY2** - Born Antoinette A. Gardiner 25 April 1941, daughter of a former British Army officer, is the mother of King Abdullah II of Jordan. Muna was the second wife of King Hussein, the late King of Jordan. She was not named Queen though she was wife of a king, therefore it would be inappropriate to title her as a queen mother.

Ms Gardiner married King Hussein in Amman 25 May 1961. She converted to Islam and was renamed Muna al-Hussein upon marriage and was given the title Her Royal Highness Princess Muna on the birth of her first son on 30 January 1962. Together they had four children.

Our couple were divorced on 21 December 1971. After her divorce she was allowed to keep the style of Royal Highness and the title of Princess of Jordan. She continues to work and live in Jordan. She is deeply involved in issues connected to the development of nursing in Jordan, founding the Princess Muna Scholarship Fund for Nursing. Princess Muna was active on the bands in the 60s and early 70s from the Royal Palace.

For Tom Roscoe of Ham Gallery - Tom if you and I were royalty we could use simply (K8) and myself (W8) - That would clip off nicely in the tests. (Large grin)

Princess Muna has a non conformist call sign consisting only of the Jordan prefix, denoting her royal status and similarly to her late (former) husband the King H.M., granted the license to H.R.H. personally and by Royal decree. It was an unusual gesture to a female of Arab society and was considered as a political statement by H.M. the King.

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