



Mary Lou Kirk

November 10, 1948 - April 29, 2019

Mary Lou Kirk, age 70 of Valparaiso, IN passed away on Monday, April 29, 2019. She was born on November 10, 1948 in Valparaiso, IN to Seth and Emma (Sherrick) White.

Mary is survived by her loving husband of 41 years, Darrell Kirk Sr. of Valparaiso; Three Sons, Darrell (Beth) Kirk, Jr. of Seattle, WA, Garnett (Jennifer) Kirk of Cedar Lake, IN, James (Angie) Kirk of Gary, IN; Five Daughters, Susan (Pete) Dres of Valparaiso, IN, Dawn Stover of Valparaiso, Kim (Steve) Corley of Portage, IN, Deborah (David) Depoister of Valparaiso, and Emma Kirk of Valparaiso; grandchildren, Courtney Stover, Timothy Kopec, Brittany Corley, Pete Dres Jr., Lindsey Corley, Alexis Dres, Elizabeth Hiland, Brandon Hiland, Hugh Kirk; siblings, Cecil White, Marilyn (Jim) Hanner, Donna (Dan) Schatz, Glen (Pauline) White, Pam (Manny) Liebsch, Kevin (Lori) White; many nieces, nephews, extended family and friends.

She was preceded in death by her parents; and son, Ronald Kirk; granddaughter, Elizabeth Kirk; sister, Darlene White; brother, Seth White.

Mary loved crafts, bingo and shopping at Walmart. She dearly loved spending time with her grandchildren.

Funeral Services will be held at 11:00 am on Tuesday, May 7, 2019 at Edmonds & Evans Funeral Home Portage Chapel, 6941 Central Ave., Portage, IN 46368. Burial will follow at Abraham Lincoln National Cemetery, Elmwood, IL. Visitation will be held on Tuesday, May 7, 2019 from 9:00 am until the time of services at 11:00 am at the Funeral Home. In lieu of flowers, memorial donations in Mary's honor may be made to the Shriners Hospital for Children, Office of Development, 2211 North's Oak Park Ave., Chicago, IL 60707. Please indicate on donations that they are in memory of Mary Kirk.

Cemetery

Abraham Lincoln National Cemetery

20953 W. Hoff Rd
Elwood, IL, 60421

Events

MAY **Visitation** 09:00AM - 11:00AM

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Portage Chapel

6941 Central Avenue, Portage, IN, US,
46368

MAY **Service** 11:00AM

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Comments



“ Crystal Cross Bouquet was purchased for the family of Mary Lou Kirk.



May 06 at 11:37 AM



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Darrell Kirk - May 04 at 12:56 AM



“ Mary and I fought a lot when I was young, but I grew very fond of her and the life our family shared together over the years. It was wonderful getting instant relatives when she became a part of our family--Grandma and Grandpa White, along with all her brothers and sisters--some were our cousins, some were our teachers, some were in the same class. Many wonderful, wonderful times with all the White family, our family.

Mary loved her family so and always talked about them to everyone in town. It seemed everyone in town knew her, and her very large family with so many children! With so many children, and as hard as we all played, our family was constantly at the hospital and the nurses would love to see Mary there, again, with one of the kids. Mary loved the recognition she received with her large family!

She put up with a lot from our family... a lot. She was always kind, and gracious. She was self centered in her kids, but still took the time to play bingo and socialize with friends. She was in the Women of the Moose, and took a post once. Rode on the back of a motorcycle with my dad around the country. Rode with me on my motorcycle around Lake Eliza. We even duked it out once, and she held her own.

We were at war when I was young, and it was a real gift to get to know and love her over the many decades since that time. When you go through something like that with a person, you can't help but to love them. I will cherish our road trips together from Indiana to West Virginia, and being able to have done this one last time a few years ago for our family reunion. She was so happy on that trip and always thankful.

Mary was so, so very tough and had an extremely strong constitution. She has had health issues for many years now, yet her strong resolve to be there for her children kept her around far, far beyond what the doctors predicted. She is in a better place now and will be joyfully received there at the pearly gates. Godspeed, Mary!

Darrell Kirk - May 03 at 12:04 AM



“ Kathy Bowers lit a candle in memory of Mary Lou Kirk



Kathy Bowers - May 02 at 11:51 PM



“ May good wrap his healing arms around your family give u comfort God bless you big hugs 4 your family

Kathy - May 02 at 11:55 PM



“ Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum was purchased for the family of Mary Lou Kirk.



May 02 at 11:42 PM



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Darrell Kirk - May 02 at 10:40 PM



“ Simply Chic Mixed Plant Basket was purchased for the family of Mary Lou Kirk.



May 02 at 11:29 AM



“ I'll always remember Aunt Marys hearty laugh & she never had a bad thing to say about anyone. I will miss her but she's at peace with Jesus now. Prayers for my Uncle Darrell and my cousins.

Trish Kirk Stevens - May 01 at 02:02 AM