



## Mary Beem Alexander

February 14, 1933 - March 16, 2013

80, of Indianapolis, passed away March 16, 2013. She was born February 14, 1933 in Bloomington, IN. Mary Alexander graduated from Southport High School in May, 1950, and married John F. Alexander who predeceased her on January 20, 2012. Between November, 1952 and November, 1963, the couple were blessed with four daughters. Although she wanted twelve children, she put that wish aside, instead beginning college at the age of 32. She earned a BA in 1970, a MA in 1974, completed the course work for a doctorate as a doctoral fellow at Ball State in 1985 followed by a MS from Butler University in 1992. For twenty-five years, she taught English as adjunct faculty at IUPUI and Ball State. Her great loves in life were her savior, Jesus Christ, her family, a passion for learning and many beloved pets. Visitation will be Tuesday, March 19, 2013, from 4:00 p.m. until 8:00 p.m. at Shirley Brothers Fishers-Castleton Chapel, 9900 Allisonville Rd. and Wednesday from 10:00 a.m. until time of services at 11:00 a.m. Mary is survived by four daughters and their husbands: Lizabet (Michael Nix), Claudia (William E. Turner II), Marty (Charles Baker) and Amy (Elias Gonzalez); six grandchildren: Trevis Nix (Stephanie), Matthew Nix, William E. (Billy) Turner III (Aften), Megan Turner, Paul Gonzalez, Adam Gonzalez; and three great-grandchildren: Samantha, Hannah and Elijah Nix. [shirleybrothersfriends.com](http://shirleybrothersfriends.com).