



Mary Ann Askren

July 10, 1935 - June 10, 2020

Mary Ann Askren, 84, of Greenfield, passed away June 10, 2020. She was born July 10, 1935 in Poplar Bluff, MO, to the late Clarence and Opal Rife. Mary Ann was a 1953 graduate of Warren Central High School. She married Kenneth Askren, April 14, 1984, and he preceded her in death September 29, 2009. Mary Ann was a former member of First Church of the Nazarene and a current member of Fortville Church of the Nazarene. Mary Ann loved playing rook, sewing and reading.

Visitation will be Monday, June 15, 2020 from 4:00 p.m. until 8:00 p.m. at Shirley Brothers Washington Memorial Chapel, 9606 E. Washington St. and Tuesday from 10:00 a.m. until the time of service at 11:00 a.m. at Fortville Church of the Nazarene, 701 S. Maple St., Fortville.

Mary Ann is survived by her children, Marendra S. Babcock (Robert), Marsha L. McMasters, Pamela Harsin Thompson (Joseph), Sandra K. Moore (Stephen), Jon D. Rivers (Chrissy) and Teresa D. Gorton (Jake); 14 grandchildren; four great-grandchildren; and many nieces and nephews. Two sons, Mark A. Rivers and Ronald E. Rivers; three brothers, Buford, William and Richard Rife; and a sister, Shirley Spangler, preceded her in death.

Cemetery Details

Washington Park East

10612 E. Washington St.
Indianapolis, IN 46229

Previous Events

Visitation

JUN **15**. 4:00 PM - 8:00 PM (ET)

Shirley Brothers Washington Memorial Chapel
9606 E. Washington Street
Indianapolis, IN 46229
(317) 897-9606
<https://shirleybrothers.com/>

Visitation

JUN **16**. 10:00 AM - 11:00 AM (ET)

Fortville Church of the Nazarene
701 S. Maple Street
Fortville, IN

Funeral Service

JUN **16**. 11:00 AM (ET)

Fortville Church of the Nazarene
701 S. Maple Street
Fortville, IN

Tribute Wall



“ *Arrive in Style* was purchased for the family of *Mary Ann Askren*.



June 14, 2020 at 02:32 PM



“ *Beautiful in Blue* was purchased for the family of *Mary Ann Askren*.



June 12, 2020 at 09:05 AM

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“ Mary Ann was a person I saw on a regular basis as her son Jon was and remains my best friend. She always mustered a smile and seemed happy to see me. She often said something funny and unexpected to me that provoked a smile from me too. I always enjoyed our talks, they were brief and usually on topics that were never too heavy, but, I enjoyed seeing her on a regular basis. I remember going to the funeral home to pay my respects when another son, Mark, passed away in 1986. Jon and I were classmates and Mark was a year ahead of us. I worked with Mark as we both worked at Marsh Supermarket when we were in high school. Years later Mary Ann told me about an especially difficult moment she had that day at the funeral home and how I provided her a lot of comfort simply by being right behind her when she turned around. I had no idea that she thought so highly of me and I never forgot that. I saw her as my "Mother from another brother". I lost my Mother in March of 2019 and I know the finality that brings. I hope Mary Ann's family can see through the sadness of missing her and rejoice in celebrating her going home to be with God and leaving her worldly limitations behind. She will be missed, but, I am happy for her that she is most certainly feeling better now than ever before.



Love and prayers to all the family and thank you for treating me as one of your own,

Rob Harris

Robby A. Harris - June 11, 2020 at 10:52 PM

SM

Thank You for sharing such great memories Rob, thats so sweet. And Thank You for the flowers!!

Sandra Moore - June 13, 2020 at 01:59 PM



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June 11, 2020 at 08:54 PM



“ My Mom loved Irvington circle, she always said we had our own park to play in complete with a fountain. We always had to go over by the fountain to take family pictures, to this day Irvington is my home!!

Pamela Harsin Thompson - June 11, 2020 at 08:43 PM



So true Pam, we took it for granted I think but it was truly a great place to raise her family.

Sandra Moore - June 13, 2020 at 07:17 PM



“ I remember when I first moved in this Neighborhood she invited me over for a glass of tea and we visited. She was so Sweet. Love her family and they are all in my prayers. Sorry I can't be at the funeral I have to work but my heart is there for all of you. 🙏❤️🙏

Barbara Terrell - June 11, 2020 at 08:15 PM



Thank You Barb. We appreciate your prayers.

Sandra Moore - June 13, 2020 at 07:18 PM