



Mary Jo Burns

March 9, 1944 - March 25, 2021

Mary Jo Burns,

77, passed away March 25, 2021. She was born Thursday, March 9, 1944 in Indianapolis to the late Hugh and Mary Catherine (O'Neill) Johnson. Mary Jo was a 1962 graduate of Arsenal Tech High School. She married Jerry Burns and worked for broadcaster, Harry Martin at The Rural Radio Network; and later for The Exhibit House in Indianapolis. She was a lifelong Elvis fan. Mary Jo was a member of New Palestine Disciples of Christ and Beta Sigma Phi Philanthropic Sorority.

Visitation will be Tuesday, March 30, 2021 from 4:00 p.m. until 7:00 p.m. and Wednesday from 11:00 a.m. until the time of service at 1:00 p.m. at Shirley Brothers Washington Memorial Chapel, 9606 E. Washington St.

Mary Jo is survived by her loving husband of 57 years, Jerry Burns; and sons, Jeffrey Scott (Laura), Brian Lee and Christopher Dean (Angela). She dearly loved her six grandchildren; and three great-grandchildren. She was preceded in death by her siblings, Richard Hugh, Anita Ruth and Michael Edward.

In lieu of flowers, memorial contributions may be made to Riley Children's Hospital.

Cemetery Details

New Palestine Cemetery

5055 South 500 West
New Palestine, IN 46163

Previous Events

Visitation

MAR 30. 4:00 PM - 7:00 PM (ET)

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

Funeral Service

MAR 31. 1:00 PM (ET)

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

Tribute Wall



“ *Full Of Love Bouquet was purchased for the family of Mary Jo Burns.*



March 31, 2021 at 01:44 PM



“ *We love you, Mark, Paul, Jeff & Katie purchased the Thoughts & Prayers for the family of Mary Jo Burns.*



We love you, Mark, Paul, Jeff & Katie - March 31, 2021 at 11:04 AM

MC

“ *My Aunt Mary meant the world to me and the entire Cooper family. I have so many great memories of her but the favorites are laying in the sun at my parents house or going to the beach during their Annual Spring Break visits. Because Aunt Mary was unable to visit Florida last year because of the pandemic we the Coopers paid them a visit in Indiana. How grateful we are today that we made that trip! Thoughts and prayers to the entire Burns family. Love you!*



Mary Cooper - March 31, 2021 at 10:18 AM

TH

“ *The Exhibit House purchased the Lavender Reflections Spray for the family of Mary Jo Burns.*



The Exhibit House - March 28, 2021 at 05:13 PM

JE

“ *I worked with Mary Jo for many years. She was always so kind and was liked by all. She cherished her beautiful grandchildren and often spoke of being with them. You will be missed by many. Jerry Frisby*

Jerry - March 28, 2021 at 05:05 PM



“ *Serene Retreat was purchased for the family of Mary Jo Burns.*



March 27, 2021 at 07:09 PM



“ *Beautiful in Blue was purchased for the family of Mary Jo Burns.*



March 27, 2021 at 06:12 PM



“ *Mary was a beautiful and kind lady and great neighbor. She loved her family so much especially her grandkids and great great grandkids. I have had 21 years of knowing her and always a pleasure to see her and brings cookies at Christmas. She was awesome as well as her husband Jerry! I will always remember her.*

Connie Sherwood - March 27, 2021 at 01:19 PM



What can I say. When I moved here 15 years ago and met her, we immediately hit it off and she became my best friend. I will miss our road trips to Tennessee. I will miss her terribly. I know your gone Mary Jo, but I love you friend.

Charlotte - March 27, 2021 at 06:08 PM



“ *Country Basket Blooms was purchased for the family of Mary Jo Burns.*



March 27, 2021 at 11:52 AM



“ *I'm very sorry to hear Mary Jo passed away. I always enjoyed talking with her in the neighborhood and seeing her working in the yard. She had a delightful personality, a ray of sunshine. Rest In Peace Mary Jo.*



Nancy E. Spurgeon-Grabman

Nancy E. Grabman - March 27, 2021 at 10:28 AM



“ *Chris and family,
Please know I am praying for your family. My heart hurts for you and the loss of your mom. There is peace in knowing she is whole and healthy with our Savior.
Beth Rabideau*

Beth Rabideau - March 27, 2021 at 09:15 AM



“ *My sympathy to the entire Burns family. Mary was such a sweet person.*

Patty Real - March 27, 2021 at 03:56 AM

BR

“ *Brian Real lit a candle in memory of Mary Jo Burns*



brian real - March 27, 2021 at 12:30 AM

KL

“ *I have so many memories of Mary and the good times we shared in New Palestine, but one of the best is our trip with our young boys to Terre Haute to purchase tickets to see Elvis. Taking turns waiting in line while the othe one sat in the car so Paul David and Christopher could sleep. She was so happy the night of the show to receive a scarf from the King of R'n'R. Mary was one of the kindest people I've ever known and a great friend.*

Kay Lipps - March 26, 2021 at 10:39 PM

KL

“ *Kay Lipps lit a candle in memory of Mary Jo Burns*



Kay Lipps - March 26, 2021 at 10:30 PM