



Mary M. Rope

August 27, 1951 - July 22, 2017

Mary M. Rope,

65, of Indianapolis, passed away July 22, 2017. She was born August 27, 1951, in Goshen, IN, to the late Nelson and Dorothy (Mauzy) Burtsfield. Mary married Bill on February 14, 1987 and he preceded her in death. She was employed with Lawrence Township schools for 7 years.

Visitation will be Friday, July 28, 2017 from 12:00 noon until the time of memorial service at 2:00 p.m. at Shirley Brothers Washington Memorial Chapel, 9606 E. Washington Street, Indianapolis, IN, 46229.

Mary is survived by her daughters, Camille (Roger) Hibsichman and Angela (Doug) Beebe; brother, Donald Burtsfield; sister, Onole "Sue" Groff and 3 grandchildren. Her brother Lyle Burtsfield preceded her in death. A burial will be held at a later date.

Memorial contributions in honor of Mary may be sent to Pink Ribbon Connection, 1139 Shelby Street, Indianapolis, IN 46203

Previous Events

Visitation

JUL 28. 12:00 PM - 2:00 PM (ET)

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

Funeral Service

JUL 28. 2:00 PM (ET)

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Tribute Wall

RO

“ You will be missed you were. Always there to help and listen me and the misses will miss you Ron and Jennie Emenaker

ron - July 28, 2017 at 12:00 PM

KK

“ Mary Rope had an unending energy and kindness that was miles long! Such a sweet woman that I am so glad to have had the pleasure of working with at Lawrence Township and getting to know her. I loved our chats!! Truly a woman of inspiration!! What a true warrior!! She also introduced me to the drink tequila sunrise. I shall raise a glass to you every time I have one! Prayers to your family during this difficult time!! - Kim Krummel

Kim Krummel - July 28, 2017 at 10:31 AM



“ Pretty Please was purchased for the family of Mary M. Rope.



July 27, 2017 at 02:07 PM

JA

“ Rest in Peace sweet Mary. Your smiling face and great ability to tell a good story will be missed by us all. You made my life so much better!

Janice Jordan

Janice - July 27, 2017 at 12:46 PM

JP

“ I met Mary and her husband over the road driving semi tractor trailers and they were good friends to me and then we met again at Lawrence Township she and her husband were beautiful people so I say rest in peace my friend x bus 200

Joseph and Tanya Plummer - July 27, 2017 at 12:42 PM



“ Sentiments of Serenity Spray was purchased for the family of Mary M. Rope.



July 27, 2017 at 10:23 AM

BE

“ I first met Mary & Bill the first day she started at Lawrence Twp. In short order we became friends. Her previous experience as a bus driver helped me grow as a bus driver & eventually as a trainer. Since learning of Mary's passing, the internal soundtrack in my mind that says it best, is the Boyz II Men song "It's So Hard to Say Goodbye to Yesterday" especially the last verse..
'And I'll take with me the memories to be my sunshine after the rain,
It's so hard to say goodbye to yesterday'
Rest In Peace, Mary Rope!

Bill Ennis - July 27, 2017 at 07:09 AM



“ *Arrive in Style was purchased for the family of Mary M. Rope.*



July 26, 2017 at 09:33 PM



“ *Vivid Recollections was purchased for the family of Mary M. Rope.*



July 26, 2017 at 03:11 PM

LG

“ *Mary was a vigilant supporter of Angela and Luke. Every ISD game and event that Ron and I attended she was always there. Her love for Luke was obvious and real.*

I met Angela when Samuel was in Kindergarten and learned that they had moved from up North very near to the place where we moved from. I soon learned that her mom and her step father had also moved. And even lived across the street from them. Wow, talk about commitment to your family. I can't say I wasn't a little jealous. As the kids grew, she was there at every birthday party, every celebration, every game, and every step along the way. She was there, helping Angela with food or this or that.

The last time I saw her was at the grad party for Luke. We talked and laughed about our similar health struggles and medications that could make us both bloated and moody and euphoric and energetic in a short amount of time. Later we talked more as we stood at a table with Angela. She mentioned how handsome and manly my son looked and asked what his plans were for the future. I don't remember much about what was said. But I do remember her standing there next to me.

Laurel Gerbrandt - July 26, 2017 at 11:54 AM



“ *Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum was purchased for the family of Mary M. Rope.*



July 24, 2017 at 07:33 PM

JF

“ *Jan, Jean & Family Rick, Jill & Family purchased the Sweet Tenderness for the family of Mary M. Rope.*

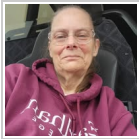


Jan, Jean & Family Rick, Jill & Family - July 24, 2017 at 01:57 PM

BB

“ *Our sympathy and prayers to you and your family. You mom was so kind, remembering her being at the ISD baseball games with you.*

Brent & Kathy Buschkoetter - July 23, 2017 at 08:12 PM



“ *Beulah Bricker lit a candle in memory of Mary M. Rope*



Beulah Bricker - July 23, 2017 at 07:32 PM

JE

“ *My husband and I had the pleasure of working with Mary at Transportation. We also enjoyed having lunch with her at Bernie's Place! We will miss her sense of humor and her contagious laugh! She always had a twinkle in her eyes and a beautiful smile! May God support you in this time of loss. Chris and Jennifer Goodwin*

Jennifer - July 23, 2017 at 06:21 PM

SY

Miss Mary was one special lady, she will truly be missed..Loved her sense of humor and her laugh..May God wrap his loving arms around you all.

Stefanie Young - July 23, 2017 at 06:56 PM

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I will truly MISS YOU Mary you always laughed with me my 4yrs with you was a pleasure and as the Goodwins said you had a twinkle in your eyes rest easy BABY from Nikki Garrett

Nikki Garrett bus 18 - July 23, 2017 at 07:54 PM

MW

I could not have asked for a better trainer. Your wit, your laugh and the many stories you shared with me about your life. Transposition will not be the same without you. RIH and may GOD give us all comfort during this difficult time

Melissa Wade - July 23, 2017 at 08:51 PM

JM

I only had the pleasure of knowing Mary for a short period of time but it was memorable-what a great lady! God bless and take care. Jeanne Majors

Jeanne Majors - July 25, 2017 at 07:41 AM

LS

I just talked to her on Friday and she was gone on Saturday. Still having a hard time with this. We had lots of good talks over coffee. I will really miss her.

Loudene Scott - July 26, 2017 at 12:17 PM