



Mary Ann Jackson

November 15, 1936 - July 24, 2021

Mary Ann Jackson, age 84 of Rensselaer, Indiana passed away Saturday, July 24, 2021 at Franciscan Health Rensselaer. She was born November 15, 1936 in Berwyn, Illinois, the daughter of David William and Anne Linnea (Benson) Olson.

Mary Ann graduated from J. Sterling Morton High School in Berwyn, the Class of 1954. She graduated from Purdue University in 1958 with a Bachelor's Degree in Education. Always a supporter of her Alma Mater, Purdue University, she was also a member of the Chi Omega Sorority.

On June 28, 1958, in Berwyn, Illinois, she married William Charles Jackson, who passed away January 16, 2013. Together, they raised three children. After moving to Rensselaer, Mary Ann taught freshman English at Rensselaer High School from 1958 to 1960. Although she only taught two years, she was dearly loved and admired by all her students.

Born a Chicago girl, she grew to love Rensselaer. It was here, in a small town, where she volunteered and served her community in many capacities. She was a past district chairman for the American Cancer Society, a long-time member and past president of Tri-Kappa Sorority, a Deaconess and Elder of the First Christian Church in Rensselaer, where she helped with funeral dinners and the Annual Beef & Noodle dinner. She earned her real estate

license and became a sales agent. She was an avid Bridge player and a member of Curtis Creek Country club and loved to play golf in her spare time.

She loved fishing, which her father introduced her to, on Yellow Lake, Wisconsin. Later, she & Bill would take their family vacations, fishing up in Minnesota and Canada on Red Lake and Lake of the Woods. In their retirement years, Bill & Mary Ann spent their winters in Naples, Florida where they made numerous friends and enjoyed boating and playing golf.

She enjoyed the arts, theater and was always up for trying something new. She had a knack for vegetable and flower gardening and was an excellent cook, known for her “motherly” meals made with love and her famous pecan pies. Most of all, she enjoyed spending time with her friends, her children and grandchildren, all of whom, will deeply miss her wit, charm and grace.

Mary Ann is survived by her three children, Beth Ann (Larry) Glicken of Bluffton, SC, W. Craig (Lisa) Jackson and Eric C. (Kari Ann Hughes, fiancé) Jackson, both of Rensselaer; four grandchildren, Kate (John) Weston, Blake Chambers, Connor (Megan Fulton, girlfriend) and Ava Jackson; one great-granddaughter, Kallie Weston. She is also survived by one cousin, Anne Conkling of Ashville, NC.

Friends are invited to visit with family on Wednesday, July 28, 2021 from 3:00 to 8:00PM at Jackson Funeral Chapel of Rensselaer. Funeral services will be held on Thursday, July 29, 2021 at Jackson Funeral Chapel at 10:30AM with Rev. Elizabeth Hartmann officiating. Interment will follow at Memory Gardens of Rensselaer.

Memorial contributions may be made in Mary Ann's name to the First Christian Church of Rensselaer or Purdue University.

Cemetery Details

Memory Gardens of Rensselaer

Memory Gardens
Rensselaer, IN 47978
(219) 866-5125
info@jacksonfuneral.com

Previous Events

Visitation

JUL 28. 3:00 PM - 8:00 PM (CT)

Jackson Funeral Chapel of Rensselaer
250 N. McKinley Avenue
P.O. Box 70
Rensselaer, IN 47978
(219) 866-5123
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Funeral Service

JUL 29. 10:30 AM (CT)

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Tribute Wall



“ *Jackson Funeral Chapels created a Tribute Video in memory of Mary Ann Jackson*



Jackson Funeral Chapels - July 28, 2021 at 11:49 AM

BW

A beautiful tribute to Mary Ann, May you always cherish these beautiful memories I'll always remember her beautiful smile and kind words. Sincere sympathy, Betty Worden

betty worden - July 29, 2021 at 12:37 PM

GK

“ *Our most sincere sympathy to the Jackson family. Your mother was such a friendly and beautiful lady; always with a smile and greeting. We know how proud you must be of her. Our thoughts and prayers are with you all. God bless. George and Joan Kanne.*



George and Joan Kanne - August 02, 2021 at 04:39 PM

JM

“ *Jerry Miller lit a candle in memory of Mary Ann Jackson*



Jerry miller - August 01, 2021 at 06:08 PM

RS

“ *Our thoughts and prayers are with your family at this time. We always enjoyed Mary Ann when she came into our store! May God comfort you an give you many precious memories. Roger & Vicki Steffen*

Roger & Vicki Steffen - July 28, 2021 at 08:15 PM

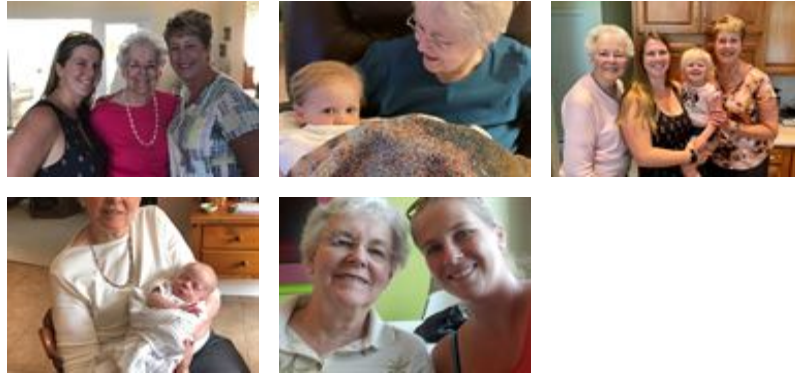


“ *My condolences to all of you Beth, Craig, Eric and all of her grand and great grand children. I've known your mother nearly all my life and she was a grand and kind lady. Blessings to you all and prayers for you and your mother. I always saw and visited with them when I got home on leave and later on vacations visiting my family here in town. Frank Shirer*

Frank Shirer - July 28, 2021 at 08:08 PM



“ 8 files added to the album *Life Tributes*



Jackson Funeral Chapels - July 28, 2021 at 01:00 PM



“ 75 files added to the album *Life Tributes*



Jackson Funeral Chapels - July 28, 2021 at 11:42 AM



“ *Tender Tribute* was purchased for the family of *Mary Ann Jackson*.



July 28, 2021 at 08:36 AM

BM

“ *Barb And Marcella Miller lit a candle in memory of Mary Ann Jackson*



Barb and Marcella Miller - July 28, 2021 at 12:26 AM

PA

“ *Patti Baer AleBlanc lit a candle in memory of Mary Ann Jackson*



Patti Baer aleBlanc - July 27, 2021 at 09:04 PM

LB

“ *So very sorry for your loss. Your mother was such a kind and gracious woman. My prayers for you all, that you will have many beautiful memories to flood your soul. Laura Brooks*

Laura Brooks - July 27, 2021 at 07:13 PM

LE

“ *Lynda Edwards lit a candle in memory of Mary Ann Jackson*



Lynda Edwards - July 27, 2021 at 07:01 PM

MM

“ *Missy Robinson Mossian lit a candle in memory of Mary Ann Jackson*



Missy Robinson Mossian - July 27, 2021 at 09:47 AM

MB

“ *Myles Beeching lit a candle in memory of Mary Ann Jackson*



Myles Beeching - July 27, 2021 at 07:53 AM



“ *Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum was purchased for the family of Mary Ann Jackson.*



July 27, 2021 at 07:45 AM

JO

“ *Janice Odom lit a candle in memory of Mary Ann Jackson*



Janice Odom - July 27, 2021 at 12:45 AM

RS

“ I remember her from Church. She was so nice. My thoughts and prayers to the family.

regina sanders - July 26, 2021 at 07:52 PM



“ Cindy Stath lit a candle in memory of Mary Ann Jackson



Cindy Stath - July 26, 2021 at 07:13 PM



I am so very sorry for your loss. Mary Ann was a gracious, lovely, classy lady. She will be missed by many.

Cindy Stath - July 26, 2021 at 07:15 PM

AS

“ Angie Arihood Sleeman lit a candle in memory of Mary Ann Jackson



Angie Arihood Sleeman - July 26, 2021 at 06:47 PM

MP

“ *Beth, Craig, and Eric:*
What a beautiful, well written tribute to your mom!

I had the pleasure of knowing her since September, 1954 when we were in the same wing of Wood Hall our freshman year, and we both pledged Chi Omega in the spring.

We had a wonderful visit at her beautiful home in September, 2018 and I can vouch for her pecan pie which she made just for me.

She will be missed dearly by many people.

*Since we were both in the Science School, I will be sending a memorial gift to Purdue,
Women in Science.*

Sincere condolences!
Marg (Hummel) Potter

Margaret Potter - July 26, 2021 at 06:45 PM

SU

“ *Susie lit a candle in memory of Mary Ann Jackson*



Susie - July 26, 2021 at 05:38 PM

JS

“ *Judy Siegrist lit a candle in memory of Mary Ann Jackson*



Judy Siegrist - July 26, 2021 at 04:34 PM



“ *This loss of a great lady is a serious Decreasement to our family! You will be missed Muzzie!!!*

Larry Glicken - July 26, 2021 at 04:20 PM

AS

“ *Beth, Craig, Eric and families,*

So sad to hear the news of sweet Aunt Mary Ann's passing. She was the kindest person we know. She will be so truly missed by all of you. May your many happy memories give you some peace during this sad time and always.

*Love,
Amy, Brad, Alex and Trent*

Amy and Brad Snyder - July 26, 2021 at 03:30 PM

PW

“ *Phil & Noelle Weishaar lit a candle in memory of Mary Ann Jackson*



Phil & Noelle Weishaar - July 26, 2021 at 03:25 PM

MB

“ *Much love, Amy and Brad purchased the Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum for the family of Mary Ann Jackson.*



Much love, Amy and Brad - July 26, 2021 at 03:23 PM

JB

“ *Judy Burvan lit a candle in memory of Mary Ann Jackson*



Judy Burvan - July 26, 2021 at 03:05 PM

JM

“ *Mary Ann was my freshman English teacher early on in her teaching career. We reconnected after I moved back to town and enjoyed a visit whenever we were out and about. Her kindness and refined yet friendly teaching technique encouraged me to pursue my goal to become a teacher. She was a fine lady. I am thankful she was my inspiration and my friend.*

Judi Arnott Manns - July 26, 2021 at 02:48 PM

JG

“ We are so sorry to hear this. Mrs. Jackson was a dear friend to my parents and a second mother to all of my siblings. All of us kids spent countless hours playing with Beth, Craig and Eric. We all have countless wonderful memories of Mrs. Jackson. She had a wonderful, caring heart. She will truly be missed. Our thoughts and prayers are with the Jackson family. Jim and Tammy Gehring



Jim Gehring - July 26, 2021 at 02:31 PM



“ Sweet Sincerity was purchased for the family of Mary Ann Jackson.



July 26, 2021 at 02:11 PM

SB

“ I am so sorry to hear this. Mrs. Jackson was my freshman English teacher. I always admired her. She was a classy dresser and was always prepared with the lesson for the day. Recently, I met up with her again after all of these years at the Friday fish fry. I'm so glad I was able to see her again after all of these years. I, myself, became an English teacher so it's obvious that she provided a great role model for me. Rest in Peace.

Shirley (Putt) Babcock - July 26, 2021 at 02:06 PM

NS

“ *Norma (Sugar) Schultz lit a candle in memory of Mary Ann Jackson*



Norma (Sugar) Schultz - July 26, 2021 at 01:46 PM

CS

“ *Sorry For Your Loss Thoughts And Prayers To Family.*



Cindy Sheffer - July 26, 2021 at 01:33 PM

BF

“ *Bob and Cathy Hughes and family purchased the Sweet Sincerity for the family of Mary Ann Jackson.*



Bob and Cathy Hughes and family - July 26, 2021 at 12:54 PM

SD

“ *Mary Ann was my English Teacher at RHS. I've always admired her, Quit a "LADY"! She will be missed. Hugs full of Blessings to her family. Sharon Schreeg Davisson*



Sharon Davisson - July 26, 2021 at 12:47 PM