



## Mary Louise Ulrich

March 22, 1922 - March 11, 2017

Mary Louise Ulrich, age 94, of Francesville, IN, formerly of Rensselaer, IN, passed away early March 11, 2017 at Parkview Haven in Francesville, IN. Mary was born on March 22, 1922, in Newton County to Abner and Lydia (Miller) Miller. Mary was raised in Newton County and attended Mt. Ayr School. On June 4, 1939, she married Milo (Mike) Vernon Ulrich, son of Andy J. and Ella E. (Unzicker) Ulrich, at the home of her parents in Jackson Township.

They lived on and operated a farm north and west of Mt. Ayr, retiring after about 50 years. In 1989, they moved to Rensselaer. Mary helped with everything from plowing to harvesting and she also worked at Per Pac for about 25 years, retiring October 1, 1991.

Mike and Mary were not blessed with biological children, however, God did bless them with spiritual children whom they nurtured and parented through the years. These children include Paul and Matilda Edet, Calabar, Nigeria, Africa and Lynn Hurst who preceded them in death. Surviving are David Leichty, Grabill, Indiana; Andy and Carol Elsen, Missoula, Montana; Mary Ann Hurst, Bryan, Ohio; Mary Bess Hayward, Rensselaer, Indiana; Philip and Virginia Leichty, Rensselaer, Indiana and Kim (Greg) Walden, Monticello, Indiana. From these spiritual children are many grandchildren and great-grandchildren.

Mary also enjoyed spoiling her 7 nephews and 3 nieces as well as their children.

Mary was preceded in death by her parents, her husband, sisters Ruby Good and Marceline Leichty; brother, Marvin Miller; brothers-in-law Ralph Good and Jacob Leichty, sister-in-law Mary Lou Miller and great-nephew, Christopher Dennis.

She is survived by the spiritual children and grandchildren and her youngest sister, Lavonna (Duane) Miller of Taylorsville, Kentucky. Also surviving are her nephews: Jacob (Grace) Leichty, Jr; Gerald (Juli) Leichty; Michael (Jeanette) Leichty; Darrell Good; Tim (Renee) Good; Randy (Lee) Miller; and Eric (Shayne) Miller, nieces: Joyce (Byron) Mcgruder; Colleen (Greg) Dennis and Lynette (Ken) Ferrante, several great-nephews and nieces and great-great nephews and nieces.

Mary served faithfully at Burr Oak Mennonite Church where she became a member January 20, 1935. She served as chorister for both Worship and Sunday School services as well as supporting her husband on the Board of Elders.

Friends may visit with the family at the Jackson Funeral Chapel of Rensselaer from 3:00 to 6:00 CST on Sunday, March 19, 2017. Private family burial in Memory Garden Cemetery will precede the 12:00 p.m. Monday, March 20, 2017 Memorial Service at Burr Oak Mennonite Church with Pastor Debbie Voss officiating. Memorial contributions may be made to Parkview Haven, Francesville, IN or Burr Oak Mennonite Church, Rensselaer, IN.

# Cemetery Details

## Memory Gardens of Rensselaer

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

# Previous Events

## Visitation

**MAR 19.** 3:00 PM - 6:00 PM (CT)

Jackson Funeral Chapel of Rensselaer  
250 N. McKinley Avenue  
P.O. Box 70  
Rensselaer, IN 47978  
(219) 866-5123  
info@jacksonfuneral.com  
<https://www.jacksonfuneral.com>

## Celebration of Life

**MAR 20.** 12:00 PM (CT)

Burr Oak Mennonite Church  
11506 W. CR 200 S.  
Rensselaer, IN

# Tribute Wall

DI

“ It sure was nice Mary invited my family an I to her beutiful nursing care home. It was a joy to work with M ary. from the COURTNEY family. love you Mary .

DIANA - May 23, 2017 at 02:36 PM

JF

“ Jim & Pat Fox lit a candle in memory of Mary Louise Ulrich



Jim & Pat Fox - March 19, 2017 at 08:16 AM

JP

Loving Memories of Mike and Mary as neighbors to Jim's Grandma & Grandpa north of Mt Ayr. She was a truly beautiful person.

Jim & Pat - March 19, 2017 at 08:18 AM

OR

“ Mary was a wonderful Christian woman. Oscar has fond memories of her during the Burr Oak years. Gods strength and peace to the family.

Oscar & Pat Reyes

oscar& pat reyes - March 17, 2017 at 01:50 PM

MN

“ Mike And Rose Nagel lit a candle in memory of Mary Louise Ulrich



Mike and Rose Nagel - March 17, 2017 at 07:36 AM



“ Beautiful in Blue was purchased for the family of Mary Louise Ulrich.



March 16, 2017 at 08:50 AM

VG

“ Mary was a sweet person with a wonderful and sincere attitude. Truly a joy to be around. Her smile and laugh were infectious and she always made you feel better after visiting with her. Rest well with God and rejoice in your reunion with Mike and all your family dear friend.  
Larry and Vergie Gibson and family.

Vergie and Larry Gibson - March 16, 2017 at 08:05 AM

RW

“ Mary and her sweet smile will be sadly missed. I always enjoyed talking with Mary. She shared a lot of herself while here on earth. I have no doubt that she will brighten things in heaven.



Regina Warfel - March 16, 2017 at 07:05 AM

GF

“ Please accept my family's heartfelt condolences on the loss of your dear loved one. May you find comfort in the fond memories of them, and The Almighty God's promise to restore those asleep in death to perfect life on a paradise Earth, as written in The Bible for our comfort.

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**Greene Family** - March 14, 2017 at 09:30 AM

CT

“ As most people feel, Mary touched many lives. I met Mary in 2007 as an Insurance Agent, but quickly, realized she was something special. She had asked me to become her agent and we also became very good friends. As it turned out I grew up in Rensselaer and went to Rensselaer Central High School.

Soon after, I started coming to Rensselaer, just to visit Mary, which was easy to do. She would call on my cell phone and say "This is Mary Mary Quite Contrary" and I knew it was time for a visit. You can see by her photo she truly was one of those people that was a joy to be around and I feel very fortunate that I was her friend.

You will be missed!

Cyndi Tompkins

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**Cyndi Tompkins** - March 13, 2017 at 12:54 PM

JM

“ Jim And Sandy Miller lit a candle in memory of Mary Louise Ulrich



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**Jim and Sandy Miller** - March 13, 2017 at 06:14 AM

BM

“ *Mary had the gift of a beautiful voice that she used to express and share her love for the Lord Jesus Christ. The voice is now silent here on earth, yet the memory lives on! Praise the Lord!*

*Ben Metz*

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**Ben Metz** - March 12, 2017 at 02:55 PM

NH

“ *Another angel will be humming in heaven. That beautiful sound will be missed. I miss you. It was a blessing to have you in my life.*

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**Norma Hickman** - March 12, 2017 at 06:56 AM