



Mary Ann Kerr

February 15, 1936 - February 20, 2011

Mary Ann Kerr (nee Quigley)

February 15, 1936 + February 20, 2011, age 75 of Sterling Heights, passed away in Hospice Care following a courageous battle with cancer surrounded by her husband John of 53 years and children, Terry, Dan and Christopher.

Mary Ann was born in Detroit on February 15, 1936 to Alphonsus and Teresa (nee Smith) Quigley. Her marriage to John Kerr took place on September 7, 1957 in Highland Park, Michigan. Mary Ann was a long time parishioner of St. Rene Goupil Catholic Church in Sterling Heights and a 48 year employee of Providence Hospital in Southfield as a Registered Nurse. Mary Ann was well loved in her profession as a care giver and still active with the Providence Nurses Alumni Association.

Mary Ann loved to travel with her husband and friends and as an only child spent most summers with her cousins in Perth, Ontario.

In an addition to her husband, John is her daughter, Terry (Don) Lewis of Sterling Heights and sons, Dan (Nancy) Kerr of Macomb and Lt. Christopher (Kimberly) Kerr of Buffalo, New York. She is also survived by 8 grandchildren and 4 great grandchildren. She was predeceased by her son John Patrick, Jr. (Maureen) Kerr of Capac.

To honor Mary Ann, her family invites you to visit and share memories with them on Tuesday 4-9 p.m. and Wednesday 1-9 p.m. with a Scripture Service 7 p.m. Wednesday at the Wasik Funeral Home, Inc. Shelby Township. A Funeral Mass will take place on Thursday at 9:30 a.m. with visitation at Church beginning at 9 a.m. Burial will take place at Great Lakes National Cemetery in Holly, Michigan.

In lieu of flowers the family is accepting donations to share with her three favorite charities.

Previous Events

Service

FEB 24. 9:30 AM (ET)

St. Rene Goupil
35955 Ryan Rd
Sterling Heights, Mi

Tribute Wall



“ Dear John and family.
Mary Ann was loved dearly and will be deeply missed. Mary Ann and John Jr. will always be remembered in our thoughts and in our prayers along with yourself and your family. We love you all and wish that we could have been there with our brother Terry and his wife Bev.##imported-begin##Paul, John & Stephen Jensen##imported-end##

February 27, 2011 at 12:28 AM



“ Well you fought the good fight, as John always said. Now you have journeyed home to be with our Lord and our John, where there is no more pain no more death. Paradise forever, you sure deserve it. We miss you already. Thank you for all the love and support you have given us. Loveingly, Maureen, Erin and Emma XOXOXO##imported-begin##Maureen, Erin and Emma Kerr##imported-end##

February 26, 2011 at 10:48 AM



“ Chris and family,
I know this has been a very trying time for your family, but I know you will be strong for everyone. My deepest sorrow for your loss.

Sean##imported-begin##Sean Ford##imported-end##

February 25, 2011 at 12:43 PM



“ I was so sorry to hear of the passing of our dear Providence classmate, Mary Ann Quigley Kerr. I remember her fondly as one of the kindest, sweetest, genuine members of our class of 1956. I so appreciated her tireless efforts in writing the news of our class in the Providence News Notes for many years and keeping us informed of our classmates. Mary Ann will be missed. My heart goes out to her dear family for their losses at this time. I will continue to remember dear Mary Ann in my prayers. Rest in Peace.

Joan Eschrich Weber, Walnut Creek, CA##imported-begin##Joan Eschrich Weber##imported-end##

February 25, 2011 at 12:07 PM



“ Chris, I distinctly remember the first time you asked me to pray for your Mom -- and I did! To read her obituary is to be reminded of my onw Mom who was a dedicated nurse, of great (but sensible!) Faith and loved her family very, very much. I know how hard it's been.

You're very much in my thoughts and prayers!

Come home soon!

Fr. Pat###imported-begin##Fr. Pat Keleher##imported-end##

February 24, 2011 at 07:52 PM



“ My deepest sympathies to Mary Ann's family. I had the privilege of working with her at Providence Hospital. She was a compassionate person who took excellent care of her patients. She will be truly missed!!!###imported-begin##Marcia Kash##imported-end##

February 24, 2011 at 03:06 PM



“ Terry Lewis and Family --

You have my sincere condolences on the loss of your mother.

May the peace which comes from the memories of love shared, comfort you now and in the days ahead.

Sincerely,

Evelyn Rivers-Owens###imported-begin##Evelyn Rivers-Owens##imported-end##

February 24, 2011 at 11:05 AM



“ I am so sorry to hear about mary ann passing,i worked with her many years at providence hospital i was a nurse assistant.She was a very nice person.###imported-begin##Frances Womack/Davis##imported-end##

February 24, 2011 at 09:02 AM



“ John and family-Our deepest sympathy goes out to you for your great loss. Our thoughts and prayers are with you at this difficult time.##imported-begin##Charles and Annie Scheuern, the DeBruyne family##imported-end##

February 24, 2011 at 06:57 AM



“ Chris and Family,
We are all saddened to hear of the loss of your Mother. Your Mom will definately flourish in heaven. You and yours are in my thoughts and prayers. Everyone at UPD is looking forward to your return at work. Keep in touch,
Gregg##imported-begin##Gregg Gamble##imported-end##

February 24, 2011 at 01:24 AM



“ Dear Chris,

I'm Sorry to hear of you and your family's loss. After reading the email you sent about your mother it seems she was a special woman.
You and your family will be in our thoughts and prayers. I'm sure your being activated during this time does not make this any easier. If you need anything during this time please let us know.##imported-begin##Tim Thompson##imported-end##

February 24, 2011 at 12:15 AM



“ John & Family -
Our thoughts and deepest sympathy are with you on the loss of Mary Ann. Many times, my parents (especially Arlene!) would recount the adventures of "Cruising Hawaii"! Please take care and know that our prayers are with you.##imported-begin##Chris & Linda Gerardy##imported-end##

February 23, 2011 at 01:16 PM



“ Dear John and family:
Mary Ann is missed. Her warm smile and hospitality will always be remembered. I hope I can be as generous of spirit as she was.
She is now living the fulness of life with all those who have gone before her. Please be assured of my prayers for you and your family. Believe me the Sisters of the Living Word are praying also.
I will not be able to attend - I know Mary Ann would make sure she would get to this important gathering - but unfortunately I have commitments that make this impossible. In spirit though I sure will be.
Marie, SLW##imported-begin##Sr. Marie McKenna, SLW##imported-end##

February 23, 2011 at 12:35 PM



“ THERE IS NOTHING I CAN ADD TO THE BEAUTIFUL TRIBUTES GIVEN TO MARY ANN. AS A LONG TIME FAMILY FRIEND I KNEW HER AND JOHN AND RESPECTED BOTH OF THEM SO MUCH. PEACE AND COMFORT TO ALL THE FAMILY AND MY LOVE AND PRAYERS.##imported-begin##GINGER MCAVOY##imported-end##

February 23, 2011 at 12:17 PM



“ Dear Chris,

I'm very sorry to hear about your mom passing away. You and all your loved ones are in our thoughts and prayers. If there's anything I can do to help in any way, please don't hesitate to call. Take care.

Mike##imported-begin##Mike Virchau##imported-end##

February 23, 2011 at 10:52 AM



“ We will miss Mary Ann always. Johnny - your loss must be overwhelming. Please know we wish we could be there to hold your hand through this sad time. Our thoughts are with you and your family. We will see you soon. Much love##imported-begin##Tom & Carolyn Godwin##imported-end##

February 23, 2011 at 08:36 AM



“ *John and family.*

It was with a very heavy heart that I watched my dear friend Mary Ann fight her valiant fight, but never surprised at her upbeat attitude. That was Mary Ann. I cherish the years I had the privledge of knowing her, working with her, and the great times we had, as well as sharing the rough times.

I especially remember the great time we had when we cruised to the Carribean. You are in our hearts and prayers.##imported-begin##Mary and Tim Czajka##imported-end##

February 23, 2011 at 06:51 AM



“ *Dear John and Family , I am so sorry to hear off your loss of your beloved wife,you two were so close . Her children & grandchildren & great grandchildren will miss her dearly . I wont be able to attend because it is hard for me to travel with oxygen. I will be thinking of all of you and praying for you in your grief. Much Love Irene##imported-begin##Irene DuVall (BRENNAN)##imported-end##*

February 23, 2011 at 12:55 AM



“ *Jack Brennan, my Dad, always told me stories of how much fun he had up on the farm with Mary Ann. She was a much treasured cousin who gave and received much love. God bless her.##imported-begin##John Brennan##imported-end##*

February 22, 2011 at 11:15 PM



“ *John, Dan, Terri, Chris and your Families.*

We have never known someone as beautiful,loving caring and giving as your wife and mother Mary Ann. Her life was a blessing to everyone who knew her. Very few people that we have met, have moved us this way. She was an inspiration to all those that took the time to know and love her as we did. Her passing leaves a deep space in all our lives that will be very difficult to be filled by anyone.

Mary Ann will never be forgotten, loved always and forever cherished in our thoughts and memories.She is one of the very few Angels that we have met in this world.##imported-begin##Terry, Bev and Amanda Jensen##imported-end##

February 22, 2011 at 10:23 PM



“ Please accept my deepest sympathy to you and your family. I only had the pleasure of meeting you and Mary Ann at Emmett's party in Newmarket. You both were very kind to Patrick and myself. I pray Mary Ann is now with John Jr. and her cousin, Patrick, my wonderful husband. May God hold all of you softly in His Hands. Take one day at a time. God Bless you and your family.
Sincerely, Sherry McKenna##imported-begin##Sherry and the late Patrick McKenna##imported-end##

February 22, 2011 at 08:09 PM



“ Dear John & Family,
We are so sorry for your loss. Mary Ann was such a lovely person. My Mother shared with us many happy memories with her cousin Mary Ann in Detroit and at the farm in Perth. I also have very fond memories of the two of you at many family get-togethers over the years.
Love to you all,
Lynda & Chris##imported-begin##Lynda (Cormack) & Christopher Wells##imported-end##

February 22, 2011 at 07:31 PM



“ Johnny: I am sorry to hear about Mary Ann. I always enjoyed talking to her. She was so kind. God bless you and your family at this time of sorrow.##imported-begin##Jan Dudley Foster##imported-end##

February 22, 2011 at 06:33 PM



“ Mary Ann was the ideal of a Providence nurse, and one of the few people who worked longer at Providence than me. She was a long time donor as well, and I saw her at some of the Friends of Providence events. They just don't make them like Mary Ann anymore, and we will miss her special type of caring.##imported-begin##Carolyn Shalhoub##imported-end##

February 22, 2011 at 04:24 PM



“ Terry,
to you and your entire family, I want to say how sorry I am to hear of your mother's passing. She was a beautiful woman, very loving and caring. Please know that you and the family are in my prayers. If you need anything, don't hesitate to let me know.##imported-begin##Kristin R. McBurrows##imported-end##

February 22, 2011 at 12:41 PM



“ My deepest sympathy to Mary Ann's family on her loss. She will be deeply missed by all who knew her. She was a wonderful person and a wonderful nurse. Mary Ann was a very special lady and an inspiration to all who knew her. She fought this battle with grace and dignity. I wish the family God's peace in this very difficult time.##imported-begin##Lois Koning##imported-end##

February 22, 2011 at 11:00 AM



“ Mary Ann you will be truly missed, you were a very special lady to everyone you came in contact with. I know that John was waiting for you at the gates of Heaven. We will all see you again one day, in the meantime watch over your family and friends until we re-unite again.

Our prayers are with the family during this difficult time for God's strength.##imported-begin##Dave and Diane Lewis##imported-end##

February 22, 2011 at 09:14 AM



“ You will be greatly missed Aunt Marianne. I can still remember the day you and Uncle Johnny were married. I thought I was like looking at an angel. You were always so beautiful both inside and out. My prayers to everyone.
Linda##imported-begin##Linda C. Marple##imported-end##

February 22, 2011 at 08:03 AM



“ The Providence Hospital Nurses Alumnae Association mourns the loss of our long time recording secretary and board member. Mary Ann has been a foundation to the board providing invaluable service to the organization!. She will be truly missed. We the board will remember her family in prayer. I will forever be grateful for her friendship and service to the organization and the profession of nursing##imported-begin##Jonnie Hamilton President PHNAA##imported-end##

February 22, 2011 at 06:47 AM



“ John very sorry to her of your loss. You and Mary Ann were good friends to mom and dad. I know she will be truly missed.##imported-begin##Paul & Kristine Gerardy##imported-end##

February 21, 2011 at 07:10 PM



“ Mom, you've got your wings now, go be with John and watch over all of us. It was a long struggle but we tried our best to make it better.
We will miss you very much,
You loving daughter, Terry XOXOXO##imported-begin##Terry Lewis (Kerr)##imported-end##

February 21, 2011 at 05:04 PM



“ We want to wish John and the Kerr Family our condolences on Mary Ann's death. Mary Ann was our very best friend for years and years. She will be missed. She is now at peach with no pain. Our prayers are with John and the family at this time.##imported-begin##Jim & Mary Dudley##imported-end##

February 21, 2011 at 05:01 PM