



## Mary Ann Short

June 20, 1939 - October 18, 2020

Mary Ann Short, 81, Topeka, Kansas, passed away Sunday, October 18, 2020.

Mary Ann was born to Walter and Mary Schultz June 20, 1939, in Emporia, Kansas. She graduated from Emporia High School and attended Kansas State Teachers College in Emporia. She married Richard Short in 1958; they later divorced. Mary Ann was a dispatcher for local ambulance services for many years. She was then employed in the business office at Lincoln Center OBGYN, retiring after more than 30 years of service. In recent years she worked part time at Macfee Refinishing. Mary Ann volunteered at Corita's Corner Sandwich Ministry until the time of her death. Her favorite things were her flower garden, feeding the local wildlife in her backyard, and spending time with family and friends.

Mary Ann is survived by children, Steven (Janice) Short, Kevin (Sandy) Short, Lori "Guss" Short, all of Topeka, and Lisa (Dan) Zeller and daughter-in-law, Jacque Henne of Paxico, Kansas. She has 11 grandchildren and 13 great-grandchildren. She was preceded in death by son, Jeff, grandsons, Lucas Short and Robbie Zick Short, brother, Warren Schultz and nephew, Daniel Schultz. She will be dearly missed by her family, friends and beloved cat, Charlie.

At Mary Ann's request, cremation has taken place. A parish rosary will be prayed at 5 p.m. Friday, October 23, at Mater Dei Holy Name Catholic Church, 10th and Clay Street, where family will greet friends until 7 p.m. Mass of Christian Burial will be celebrated at 10 a.m. Saturday, October 24 at the Church and will be livestreamed on the funeral home's Facebook page. Masks and social distancing are required at the Church. Private inurnment will follow.

Memorial contributions may be made to Helping Hands Humane Society, Topeka Rescue Mission, or Mater Dei Catholic Parish, sent in care of Kevin Brennan Family Funeral Home, 2801 SW Urish Road Topeka KS 66614.

# Previous Events

## Parish Rosary

OCT **23**. 5:00 PM (CT)

Mater Dei Holy Name Church  
1114 SW 10th Street  
Topeka, KS 66604

## Visitation

OCT **23**. 5:30 PM - 7:00 PM (CT)

Mater Dei Holy Name Church  
1114 SW 10th Street  
Topeka, KS 66604

## Mass of Christian Burial

OCT **24**. 10:00 AM (CT)

Mater Dei Holy Name Church  
1114 SW 10th Street  
Topeka, KS 66604

# Tribute Wall



“ Kevin Brennan Family Funeral Home created a Webcast in memory of Mary Ann Short



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Kevin Brennan Family Funeral Home - October 21, 2020 at 02:43 PM



“ Kevin Brennan Family Funeral Home created a Tribute Video in memory of Mary Ann Short



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Kevin Brennan Family Funeral Home - October 21, 2020 at 02:32 PM



“ Mary Ann Short

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January 28, 2023 at 12:08 PM

DL

“ I remember many of my younger years spending time at the Short's house. Both my Mom and Dad were friends with them and co-workers as well. My Mom Dixie Ludwig (deceased) used to tell me stories of times when she and Mary Ann would spend time together. God bless you all at this time. I was glad to hear that my Dad George was able to make the visitation. Hope your memories help ease some of your pain during this time. Peace be with each and everyone of you.

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**D'Ann Ludwig-Ebert** - October 27, 2020 at 03:00 PM

SS

“ To all the children of Mary Ann, I'm so sorry for the loss of your mother. I had met her many times and she was a lovely lady. My Aunt, Barbara Stotts (Duby) remembers her also and would like the family to know she is sending prayers. I hope God will comfort and keep you in your time of grief.



Sandy Short - Emporia  
Barbara Stotts - Emporia

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**Sandy Short** - October 27, 2020 at 12:10 PM

GL

“ Lisa and Gus,  
I was so sorry to hear about your mom. It was so great to see you and her at Barb's visitation. I feel so awful we couldn't make it to hers. She was a great mom that I remember fondly when we stayed at your house! Thinking kind thoughts at this time for you!  
Much love,  
Germaine

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**Germaine A Leuszler** - October 26, 2020 at 12:38 PM

CB

“*Mary Ann and I first met when we both worked at Lincoln Center. Our friendship continued after I left Lincoln Center and we shared many meals and lots of laughter. She and I also shared a love of the mountains. One summer we packed our bags and headed to Colorado. We had a wonderful time touring the Rockies and came home with many good memories.*

*Mary Ann loved her family and was very proud of her children. She told me she would never leave Topeka because she wanted to stay close to her kids and, eventually, grandkids. I left Topeka in 1998 and moved to the mountains of Utah and eventually to Montana. She and I stayed in touch with phone calls and Christmas cards.*

*Several years ago, I returned to Topeka for a visit and was lucky enough to spend some time with Mary Ann at her home. I loved seeing her garden and hearing all about her children and their children. She seemed happy and was as gentle and caring as I remembered her to be.*

*My heartfelt sympathy to the family. I know you will miss her.*

*Mary Ann - rest in peace and, wherever you are, I hope there are mountains.*

*Carol Baumann*

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**Carol Baumann** - October 25, 2020 at 01:55 PM

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“ To the Short Family,

*I had the privilege of knowing ,Mary Ann, at Shawne Ambulance. I was an EMT-IV tech & spent time talking to her while we worked the same shifts.*

*May God Bless her Soul in Eternal Peace.*



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**Mare (Walters)Cooper** - October 25, 2020 at 12:57 AM

J(

“ *I went to High School with Mary Ann. She was always a sweet quiet person with a sweet smile.*

*May she Rest In Peace.*

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**Judith Barton (Rosenbalm)** - October 24, 2020 at 04:46 PM

CH

“ *Lisa,*

*So very sorry to read of Mary Ann's passing. She was such a great lady. You, Guss and your family are in my thoughts and prayers.*

*Chris Haug*



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**Chris Haug** - October 23, 2020 at 02:51 PM

WP

“ *Mary Ann loved to cook and she was a very good cook. She hosted many meals for her family and friends. She was also a people person and easily make lots of friends. She will be greatly missed.*

*My heartfelt and sincere sympathy to the family. Wilma Short Pfeifer.*

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**Wilma Pfeifer** - October 23, 2020 at 01:24 PM



“ *Beautiful in Blue was purchased for the family of Mary Ann Short.*



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October 22, 2020 at 03:29 PM



“ *Mary Ann and I were great friends and colleagues for many decades, through KGMGA, PDS, Medicare & BCBSKS Focus Groups - a friendship that lasted beyond her retirement (& will continue to be remembered beyond her death). Mary Ann deeply loved her family, friends, church, community, Charlie, her garden, the sandwich ministry - Mary Ann truly embraced life. With strong faith I believe she's now reunited with her loved ones who passed before her, but I know you grieve her loss. Please know Mary Ann's beloved family with be in my thoughts and prayers. Dorothy and I will treasure fond memories each time we get together. We will sorely miss Mary Ann. With love, Cindy Hasler Carttar*

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**Cindy Hasler Carttar** - October 22, 2020 at 12:03 PM



“ *Morris and Deb Short purchased the Arrive in Style for the family of Mary Ann Short.*



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**Morris and Deb Short** - October 22, 2020 at 11:23 AM

GH

“ Steve and family, I am so sorry to hear of the passing of your mom. Hold onto all the wonderful memories you have her to get you through. Please know your mom and all of your family is in our thoughts and prayers. As our faith tells us we will all be together again and oh what a reunion that will be.

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**Gina and Jim Herman** - October 21, 2020 at 07:18 PM

RP

“ Richard, sorry to hear about Mary Ann - we met one time in Burlington at that bed and breakfast. You you are doing well and enjoying retirement. I can come to visitation as I had surgery not long ago and don't do crowds now. Do take care, enjoyed out time in Cubs and stay off the bulls at our age. 🙏

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**Richard Price** - October 21, 2020 at 09:38 AM

JM

“ So sorry to hear about your Mom, Lisa. Thank you for all you have done for Dave.

*Jim Macfee*

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**Jim Macfee** - October 21, 2020 at 09:32 AM

RA

*Sorry to to here about your mom Lisa , prayers for you and family.*

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**Russ Auten** - October 21, 2020 at 09:54 AM

LA

*Guss and Family, Very sorry for the loss of Mary Ann. Love and prayers to you all.*

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**Laneia** - October 21, 2020 at 04:11 PM

JD

*I met Mary Ann when I was 7 years old and she was 15. I admired her then, as a young girl, and throughout her life. She was always kind to me and I spent much time with the family when all the kids were young. Good memories. Cherish the good times with her.*

Jodi Dinkins - October 24, 2020 at 04:59 PM



“ Heavenly Grace Spray was purchased for the family of Mary Ann Short.



October 21, 2020 at 08:03 AM

FV

“ My sympathy and prayers to the family of Mary Ann. I was deeply saddened to learn of her passing. I worked with Mary Ann at Lincoln Center OB-GYN for most of those 30 years at the clinic, and will always remember her as being a close friend and hardworking co-worker. May you tend to those flowers and gardens in Heaven, Mary Ann..

Fred Vance - October 21, 2020 at 07:35 AM

PH

“ Our sympathies to all of the family. Mary Ann was always a fun and caring person. She took in my 3 children, Lisa's step-children, and treated them as her grandchildren without batting an eye. Always kind to them and always nice to me.  
*I will always be grateful to her for this. Rest in peace Mary Ann.*

Penny Hasenkamp - October 20, 2020 at 02:15 PM

DR

*Thoughts And prayers for all the family*

**Doug Rosencutter** - October 20, 2020 at 03:14 PM



“ *Rose Garden Heart was purchased for the family of Mary Ann Short.*



October 20, 2020 at 02:08 PM



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



October 20, 2020 at 01:57 PM

KL

“ *2 files added to the album Family Photos*



**Kathleen Leebel** - October 20, 2020 at 01:50 PM

KA

*Sending all of our love and sympathy XOXOXOXO*

**Kathleen** - October 20, 2020 at 02:10 PM

KL

“ *Kay Martin and Pat Laskoski purchased the Basket of Memories for the family of Mary Ann Short.*



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**Kay Martin and Pat Laskoski** - October 20, 2020 at 11:29 AM

HW

“ *My thoughts and prayers to the family and friends of Mary Ann. So glad I knew her and enjoyed lunch at Terry's with her and a Holy Name group.*

*May your memories comfort you and God Bless.*

*Helen Walsh*

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**Helen Walsh** - October 20, 2020 at 10:04 AM