



Mary Larkin

September 29, 1931 - August 2, 2018

Mary Ann Galloway Larkin, 86, Topeka, Kansas, died peacefully on August 2, 2018. She was born on September 29, 1931, to Mary and Frank Galloway.

Mary grew up in Susquehanna, Pennsylvania, and attended St. Joseph's Hospital School of Nursing in Elmira, New York. She met her husband Jim when he was her patient after being injured in a car accident. They married in 1954. They lived in Elmira until 1967, when they moved with their six children to Ridgefield, Connecticut. Mary worked for many years as the supervisor of surgical services at Norwalk Hospital in Norwalk, Connecticut, while raising their family. After retirement, Mary and Jim moved to Topeka. Mary enjoyed helping to raise her many grandchildren and volunteering in the recovery room at St. Francis Medical Center.

Mary is survived by her children Jim (Cathy), Mike (Claudia), Maureen Warner (Russ), Tom (Loren), Jerry (Sara) and Joe (Holly); many grandchildren; and brother, Francis Galloway. She was preceded in death by her husband, Jim in 1996.

Funeral service will be 6 p.m. Monday, August 6, 2018, at Kevin Brennan Family Funeral Home, 2801 SW Urish Road, Topeka KS 66614, with visitation two hours prior. Burial will be in Woodlawn National Cemetery in Elmira, New York, at a later date.

Contributions in her memory may be made to Topeka Rescue Mission, sent in care of the funeral home.

Previous Events

Visitation

AUG 6. 4:00 PM - 6:00 PM (CT)

Kevin Brennan Family Funeral Home
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Funeral Service

AUG 6. 6:00 PM (CT)

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Tribute Wall



“ *Kevin Brennan Family Funeral Home created a Tribute Video in memory of Mary Larkin*



Kevin Brennan Family Funeral Home - August 05, 2018 at 04:48 PM



“ *Mary Larkin*

January 28, 2023 at 12:08 PM



“ *To all the Larkins, My name is Mary Catherine Siuda Morris. I don't know if you will remember me, but my parents were Rich and Mary Lou Siuda. My Parents and yours were great friends. My Mom and yours went to nursing school together and our fathers were friends even before that. I stayed with your family for a few months in Ridgefield when I got a job at Norwalk hospital. Your parents were always very kind to me. And your mother helped me become the OR nurse I wanted to be, and still am today. My deepest sympathy at the loss of your mother. Both our parents are gone now, so I can truly say I know how you feel. She was a great lady. Strong, yet loving and gentle. My thoughts and prayers go out to you all. I hope you all know what a force she was. With love, Mary Catherine*

Kate Morris - August 11, 2018 at 04:18 PM

CV

“ Mary was a loyal friend and very intelligent. She was the first person I met in Ridgefield in 1967. I'll never forget her beautiful smile and the twinkle in her eye standing with her six children at the school bus stop as I arrived there with my two boys. That began a friendship with the Larkin family that lasted over fifty years. We spent many a New Years Eve with Mary and her late husband Jim. .Our sons became good friends with the Larkin children. Mary loved her family and was very proud of her children and grandchildren. She was a giving and religious person and a compassionate nurse and administrator. She also had excellent writing skills. With Mary's passing the world has lost a wonderful human being. We send our deepest sympathy and prayers to Mary's brother and all the Larkins.
Love Carol & Lou Villamana "The V's"

Carol & Lou Villamana - August 10, 2018 at 12:41 PM

PB

“ My sincere condolences to the family of Mary Larkin. When I was a teenager living on E. Center St in Elmira, I was the babysitter for Tom, Michael and Maureen. When I became too old, my friend Margaret Bollow took over the job. I was always impressed at what a well-run household the Larkin home was and how well mannered the children were. It was a great job and Mary was a great lady.

Peggy Nichols Buzzetti - August 07, 2018 at 08:14 AM

MG

“ I need to extend my deepest condolences to you kids and grandkids over the loss of your sweet Mom and Grandmother. Your Dad was my Godfather, fulfilling the request of my Dad, John Galvin, and I have good memories of your parents corresponding with me, sending letters of encouragement and photos of you all when I enlisted in the service in 1972. Time goes too quickly, but I'm certain I speak for all the Elmira Galvins that we will always remember the great Tip and Mary Larkin.

Mark Galvin, Boise, Idaho

Mark Galvin - August 06, 2018 at 09:14 PM



“ *Pretty Please* was purchased for the family of Mary Larkin.



August 06, 2018 at 10:25 AM



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



August 06, 2018 at 09:23 AM



“ *Full Of Love Bouquet was purchased for the family of Mary Larkin.*



August 05, 2018 at 02:34 PM



“ *Mom and Dad worked to give their six children everything they would need to be successful in life. While working full time jobs, they always had time for family. Eight of us sitting at the dinner table evoked plenty of arguments and honorary titles ("Pig of the Week"), but always of good memories. Piling into the three-seat station wagon to go on vacation was always a challenge. Christmas was a wonderland of gifts as we ripped into the wrapping paper, there was always plenty under the tree!*

Thank you Mom and Dad for teaching us the difference between right and wrong, good and bad, and all the other necessary life skills we would need. We will all miss you. You left behind a wonderful legacy.

Tom Larkin - August 04, 2018 at 07:25 AM

JK

So sorry for your loss Tom & family 🙏🙏 May she Rest In Peace..... 🙏



Jeff Hathaway & Valerie Kenyon - August 06, 2018 at 09:27 AM