



Mary Lou John

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Mary Lou John, 81, a 45-year resident of North Fort Myers, FL, formerly of Rolla, MO passed away unexpectedly on Saturday, September 5, 2020 at her residence. She was born August 2, 1939 in Toledo, OH.

Mary Lou was the owner of Mary Lou's Western Wear for past 38 yrs. She groomed dogs for 17 yrs. She became very active in the horse community. Mary Lou along with her former husband, David John, started DJ's Ranch. DJ's was a horse boarding stable that offered trail rides, hay rides and carriage rides in downtown Fort Myers on the weekends and weddings. They also sold feed and hay. Mary Lou and David started the Jack Benny Saddle Club in the early 80s, which is now the Caloosa Saddle Club. Mary Lou competed in barrels, poles, western pleasure, and cutting.

Most importantly Mary Lou was a devout Christian. Her love for Jesus was known to all. She was independent, strong, feisty and loved with all her heart. Mary Lou was preceded in death by her parents, Ernest and Josephine Mitchel; the mother who raised her, Mavis Light; two brothers, Harry Lee Mitchell and Bob Mitchell; and her sister, Betty Jo Mitchell.

She is survived by her three loving children, Amanda Duet (Rickey) of North Fort Myers, FL, Justin John of Fort Myers, FL and Chris John (Nancy) of Punta Gorda, FL; one sister, Janet Schaffer (Tom) of Rolla, MO; one half brother, Bill Schnider of Missouri; two adored grandchildren, Blake Bradley and Faith John; her beloved dog, Moses; as well as many friends.

A Funeral Service will be celebrated 12 NOON, Saturday, September 12, 2020 at Sunshine Worship Center, 12925 Palm Beach Boulevard, Fort Myers, FL 33905. The family will receive friends for a time of visitation from 11:00 AM until the service time at the church.

Graveside Services will be held at Rolla City Cemetery, Rolla, MO.

Funeral arrangements have been entrusted to Fort Myers Memorial Gardens Funeral Home, 1589 Colonial Blvd., Fort Myers, FL 33907.



Events

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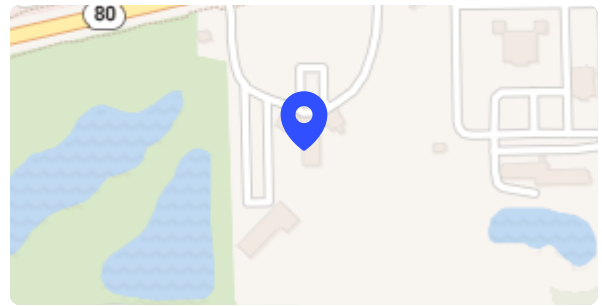
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Visitation

Saturday, September 12, 2020

11:00 AM ET

Sonshine Worship Center
12925 Palm Beach Boulevard (SR 80), Fort Myers
FL 33905

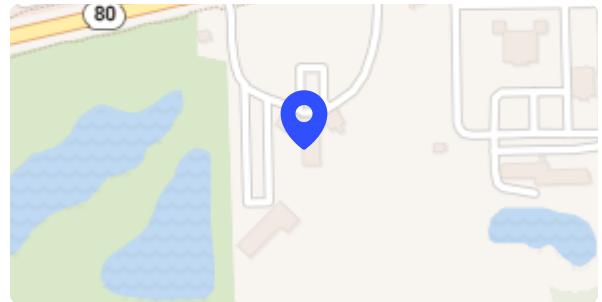


Funeral Service

Saturday, September 12, 2020

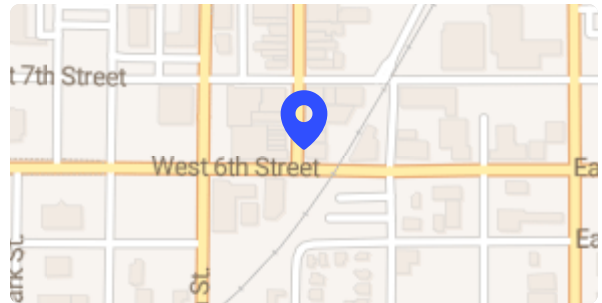
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Cemetery Details

Rolla City Cemetery
Rolla MO





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ST

Sory And Terri lit a candle in honor of Mary.



September 12 at 1:10 PM

JC

Jeanne Cornele posted:

I have fond memories of Mary Lou from the Jack Benny Saddle Club days. We had many a trail ride and competitions together. She was generous to the horse community. My condolences to her family. Jeanne Cornele

September 12 at 9:30 AM

FS

From All Of Us At Futral'S Feed Store sent a Country Basket Blooms to the John family.



September 11 at 7:33 AM



Anonymous sent a Beautiful Heart Bouquet to the John family.



September 10 at 4:55 PM

DD

Debbie Dailey posted:

So sorry to hear of Mary Lou's passing! We met her and her family when they first came to town. Enjoyed showing horses with her and her family. She will be greatly missed by Mom, Nancy and myself, Debbie Dailey. From Diamond D Stables in Buckingham! Rest high on that mountain!

September 10 at 4:25 PM



Anonymous sent a Beautiful in Blue to the John family.



September 10 at 11:02 AM



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Anonymous sent a Country Basket Blooms to the John family.



September 10 at 9:55 AM



Bobbi Harrison posted:

Oh the wonderful talks we had Mary Lou and i wont forget our prayer pact. Walking in the store without you there is going to be so strange but i know without a doubt your presence is with the Lord. I can only imagine how your heart swelled with love the final day with your family, but that was every day wasnt it ❤️ God was apparently ready for a very special angel, as he scripted your name in the lambs book of life and extended his hand. Go rest high on that mountain and take in the view we can only imagine. The days ahead will be very difficult for your loved one's, praying that GOD will comfort them with love, faith and peace. For any and all those that love you, may they give you the ultimate final gift.... T hat they would open their hearts with acceptance to the savior you so adored and worshipped to assure you all will be reunited again one day on heaven's beautiful shore. Till we meet again.....

September 10 at 9:37 AM



Anonymous sent a Treasured Lilies Spray to the John family.



September 10 at 9:30 AM



Lee Stellato lit a candle in honor of Mary.

Shared many a Sunday afternoon at the ranch with the Jack Benny horse club. Lots of great memories of Mary Lou. She will be missed by me, my children and my grandchildren. Very sorry for your loss, Lee Stellato



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Elaine & Charlie Hollis posted:

I am far away now. I will miss services, and want to extend my heartfelt wishes for comfort and peace to all the family. Losing a family member leaves a big empty place in your heart. I wish that empty place to be filled with all the happy memories that have taken place through the years. I have only pleasant memories of my times with Mary Lou. I shall cherish my memories and know she is happy where she is now. Elaine and Charlie Hollis.

September 10 at 8:10 AM



Anonymous sent a Sweet Tenderness to the John family.



September 10 at 5:24 AM



Anonymous sent a Full Of Love Bouquet to the John family.



September 9 at 8:04 PM



Anonymous sent an Arrive in Style to the John family.



September 9 at 6:04 PM



Jay & Tammy Mudge sent a Peaceful White Lilies Basket to the John family.



September 9 at 5:12 PM



Anonymous sent a Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum to the John family.



September 9 at 2:01 PM



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Anonymous sent a Heavenly Heights Bouquet to the John family.

September 9 at 1:49 PM



Carl Poole posted:

A dear friend since the mid 70's. Loved her & will miss her. Mandie & guys I have no words.

September 9 at 1:37 PM



Carl Poole lit a candle in honor of Mary.

September 9 at 1:33 PM



Carl Poole posted:

Mary Lou was a dear friend. Over 40 years. I am going to miss her so much. Sorry Mandi & guys. I loved her & will miss her.

September 9 at 1:25 PM



Carl Poole posted:

Mandie I will be in Tn during you Mom.s funeral. Sorry I can not be there but all of you will be in my prayers.

September 9 at 1:14 PM



Carl Poole posted:

I met Mary Lou when she worked for Perky Pets in 1974 or so. She and I became good friends for many years. Anyone who came in contact with Mary Lou got the Jesus talk from her. I am so sad & will miss my friend. Gog has blessed her over the years & she always said her Western Wear store belonged to Jesus & he protected her for many years. I know I will see her again & pray for Mandi & her brothers.

September 9 at 1:04 PM



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Anonymous sent a Treasured Lilies Spray to the John family.

September 9 at 12:42 PM



Anonymous sent a Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum to the John family.

September 9 at 12:33 PM



Ann Pruitt posted:

Mary Lou was a ray of sunshine in a harsh world. Always a cheerful countenance, her faith was her rock and she did so many kind deeds that no one even knew about. Everything she did was in honor of her Savior Jesus Christ, and she loved her family and clients. I am honored to have known her and am confident that the Savior took her home, where she is doing important work for Him even now. Rest in Peace Mary Lou-- well done thou good and faithful daughter.... Ann Pruitt

September 9 at 12:22 PM



Anonymous sent a Rose Remembrance to the John family.

September 9 at 12:11 PM



Lark Campisano/Ray Simpson posted:

Mary Lou was a great businesswoman, full of energy, very religious, loved her family and her store and Moses and always had a great appearance. She will be very missed by all and especially those in the horse community. Thanks for all your help throughout the years.

September 9 at 12:09 PM



From Tony And Connie Bagala sent a Full Of Love Bouquet to the John family.

September 9 at 12:09 PM





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Anonymous sent a Sentiments of Serenity Spray to the John family.



September 9 at 10:12 AM



Memories only last if you share them

Join us in honoring Mary by contributing to a collection of shared memories.



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