



Mary Frances Johnston

January 14, 1943 - July 10, 2018

Longtime Grenada and Big Springs resident, Mary Frances Johnston, passed away unexpectedly on Tuesday, July 10, 2018 at the age of 75.

Mary was born to Robert and Mable (Wisenhunt) Humphreys in Oklahoma on January 14, 1943. She married Kenneth Lee Johnston on July 25, 1961, and the couple made their lives together, and were 2 weeks shy of their 57th wedding anniversary. Prior to moving to Siskiyou County, they resided in Round Mountain, California. They lived in Grenada from 1973 until 1998, when they moved to Big Springs.

Mary loved to sew, and continued to do so until her hands wouldn't let her anymore. She collected teapots – lots and lots of teapots! – and she enjoyed reading, as well as trips to the casino. Conveniently, two of Mary's daughters live in Reno, making casino trips more practical and worthwhile! Mary was blessed with the gift of gab: she loved talking to people and learning their stories, which made her the perfect greeter at Wal-Mart, a position she held for over a decade. When talking with folks, nothing pleased Mary more than talking about her grandkids and great-grandkids.

Mary was preceded in death by her parents and two siblings: Jackie Armstrong and Robert Humphreys. She is survived by her husband of 57 years, Ken; her children, Brenda (Robert) Neurenberg of Carson City, Nevada

(Mark) Grgich of Reno, and Cindy Copeland of Yreka; siblings, Jewel Thomas, Ann Howard, Tommy and Tony Humphreys; 15 grandchildren and 28 great-grandchildren.

A memorial service for Mary will be held on Saturday, July 14, 2018 at 1:00 p.m. at Girdner Funeral Chapel in Yreka, with a reception to follow at the Big Springs Community Church.

Previous Events

Memorial Service

JUL 14. 1:00 PM (PT)

Girdner Funeral Chapel
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