



Mary Louise Ravenscroft

December 16, 1927 - November 8, 2016

Mary Ravenscroft, 88, of Yreka, passed peacefully in her sleep at Madrone Hospice on Nov. 8, 2016, after a lengthy battle with kidney disease.

She was born in Chicago, Illinois on Dec. 16, 1927, to Daniel and Adele Reedy. At the age of 19, she married Paul Nair and they drove to California on their honeymoon. They raised their two children, Kenneth and Catherine, in Los Angeles. After Paul's death in 1968, the family moved west to El Segundo, on the coast. In 1980, Mary moved to Yreka with her husband Tracy, to be close to Catherine and her family. Mary was able to transfer her position at the Inglewood office of the California Employment Development Department to the Yreka office. After retirement, she opened Storcks, Etc, in downtown Yreka, to sell clothing and other items of interest to the young, from babies to teenagers. After Tracy's death due to heart disease, she married John Ravenscroft in 1993, after a short courting period, which included a trip to Tahiti for Mary's family. They enjoyed several years of marriage, including many trips to places like the Panama Canal, the Caribbean and Alaska. John died in 1998 of a brain embolism.

She was always the life of any party, many of which she was responsible for organizing and hosting. She loved making new friends, and organizing adventures such as gambling trips or religious pilgrimages.

Mary was deeply devoted to her Catholic faith, and was an active member of St. Joseph's Catholic Church in Yreka, and volunteered frequently to help there and with hospice-related activities. In 2008, the Sacramento Diocesan Council of Catholic Women named her Woman of the Year for the Siskiyou Deanery.

Mary is survived by her son, Kenneth; daughter, Catherine; granddaughter Kristie; and great-grandchildren, Jacob and Jaiden.

Cemetery Details

Fort Jones Catholic Cemetery

Eastside Road
Fort Jones, CA 96032

Previous Events

Rosary

NOV 18. 9:30 AM (PT)

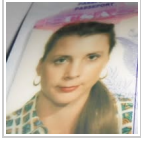
St. Joseph Catholic Church
314 Fourth Street
Yreka, CA 96097

Mass of the Christian Burial

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Tribute Wall



“ *Mary was just a wonderful neighbor and friend, I enjoyed making flower arrangements for her kitchen window, she really loved them. I got to know her even more when she asked me to take care of her brother Charlie. She was wonderful to me in many ways. I left Yreka for 3 years and just came back, I visited her once and wish I would of visited her more, I will miss her....Barbara Owens*

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