



Mary Ellen Krik

October 3, 1935 - July 18, 2022

Age 86, of Braidwood, IL passed away Monday, July 18, 2022 at Riverside Medical Center in Kankakee, IL. Born October 3, 1935 in Chicago, IL to the late Franklin Elliot and Mary Louise (nee Beauchamp) Danser. She graduated from Borden High School in Indiana with the class of 1952. Former member of Shepherd of Peace Lutheran Church in Braidwood and was a current member of Trinity Lutheran Church in Dwight, IL. Mary was a wonderful homemaker, she had a demeanor that children cherished and was lovingly known as “Grandma Mary” by many. In the past she enjoyed volunteering for her church, pre-school, and the Fossil Ridge Public Library. She had a knack for cooking, enjoyed spending time on her computer, and most importantly loved a good garage sale. Surviving are three daughters Debra (Dennis) Dean of Naperville, IL, Cheryl (Randy) Maca of Beaver Falls, PA, Michele Krik of Braidwood; seven grandchildren, Nate (Kristine Zeller) Dean, Mike (Beth Portala) Dean, Jonathan (Qian Wu) Dean, Elizabeth (Jack Rowe) Rusnak, Josh (Miranda) Maca, Kyle Maca, and Ethan Maca; six great-grandchildren and one due to arrive soon; two brothers, Frederick (the late Grace) Danser of Henderson, NV and Gordon (Lucille) Danser of North Las Vegas, NV; sister-in-law, Helen Danser of Pekin, IN; and numerous nieces, nephews, and their families. Preceding her in death were her parents, Franklin “Dede” and Mary; husband, Charles “Charlie” Peter Krik, Jr., whom she married October 10, 1959 in Long Beach, CA; and two brothers, Frank and Michael Danser. Visitation for Mary will be at the R.W. Patterson Funeral Home & Crematory,

Braidwood, Wednesday, July 20, 2022 from 4-8 p.m. Funeral services will also be at the funeral home, Thursday, July 21, 2022 at 9:00 a.m. Interment will follow in Abraham Lincoln National Cemetery, Elwood, where she will be laid to rest next to her husband. In lieu of flowers, memorial donations in her name may be directed to the Trinity Lutheran Church: 515 E. Stonewall Rd., Dwight, IL 60420.

Cemetery Details

Abraham Lincoln National Cemetery

20953 W. Hoff Rd.
Elwood, IL 60421

Previous Events

Visitation

JUL **20**. 4:00 PM - 8:00 PM (CT)

R.W. Patterson Funeral Home
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Service

JUL **21**. 9:00 AM - 9:30 AM (CT)

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Tribute Wall

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“ I will always remember Mary Ellen as a warm and loving Mom to many. Hanging out at the Krik house was always an adventure. It was a safe haven for us kids to hang out and have candid discussions about anything. Mom and Pop were always there for us. I've known Mom since 1975, and I'm proud to say that they raised their daughters right. They were a good influence on us. Mom, you will be missed, but you and Pop are together again and you are free from pain. Your soul will soar.

Sharon Luton - July 21, 2022 at 12:41 PM

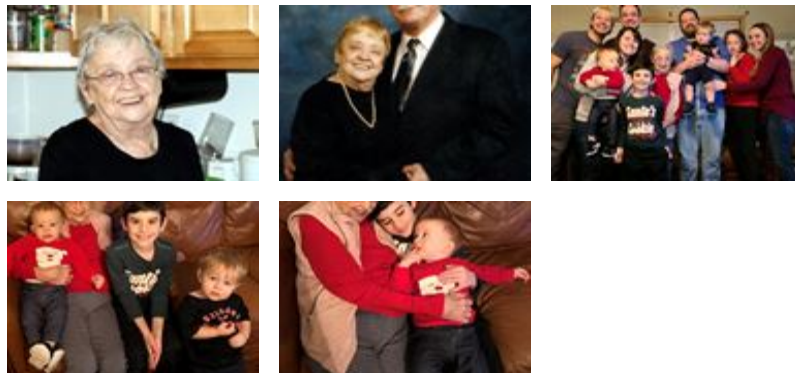
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“ Mary Ellen was a second mom to me and my sister, Chris. I even enjoyed "school" at her house in the summer. I will always treasure all the long conversations we had as adults about marriage, friendship, politics, and everything in between. She was a great role model and a loving friend!

Kim Delattre (Gooday) - July 20, 2022 at 02:47 PM



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R W Patterson Funeral Homes, Ltd. - July 20, 2022 at 01:01 PM

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“ I am so grateful that your family moved in on Lavergne so many years ago. Mary Ellen was such a wonderful part of my life. I have vivid memories of how welcoming she was to me and Kim at your house in Chicago, making fudge and popcorn and hanging out together. It was the start of a lifelong friendship with many wonderful times throughout life. She was amazing.



Chris Fortener - July 20, 2022 at 10:55 AM

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“ I will always remember Mary's sweet smile & her welcoming spirit - always happy to see each other at church. My love & prayers to the family. - Ruth Chew

Deb Stickel - July 19, 2022 at 08:50 PM