



Mary Anne Briggs

September 26, 1950 - November 14, 2023

Mary Anne Briggs, 73, of Hannibal, Missouri, passed away on Tuesday, November 14, 2023. She was born in Davis County, Iowa, on September 26, 1950, the daughter of Harry Chester and Icil Maxine Steele Porter.

Mary Anne graduated from Davis County High with the class of 1968 and later continued her education at Gem City College in Quincy, Illinois, where she pursued the trade of Jewelry Design. She was a regular attendee and Sunday morning choir member at First United Methodist Church in Hannibal. She took great pleasure in spending time with her family, caring for her cats, and doing various activities such as thrift shopping. Mary Anne loved to collect things, beginning with the international collections she started while living overseas. She thrived when helping people, and regularly volunteered at the food bank and Douglass Community Center. She did not know a stranger and made new friendships wherever she went. Mary Anne was known for sending greeting cards stuffed with two-dollar bills, never forgetting a birthday, holiday, or other special dates in her family's lives. She will be dearly missed by all who loved her.

Mary Anne is survived by one daughter, Michele Briggs (Travis Brenneis), of Quincy, Illinois; three granddaughters, Rachel Jones, of Quincy, Beth (Jeff) Myers of Palmyra, Missouri, and Kellie Campbell of Arenzville, Illinois; five great-grandchildren, Natalie Myers, Annabella Will, Rhys Spears, Sophia

Ingles, and Lydia Myers; two brothers, Terry Porter of Ridgecrest, California, and Danny (Tess) Porter of Colorado Springs, Colorado.

Mary Anne was preceded in death by her parents, Harry Chester and Icil Maxine Steele Porter, and four brothers, Harry Lee Roy Porter, Gary Wayne Porter, Bary Len Porter, and Jerry Mikel Porter.

Graveside services will be held at 11:00 a.m. on Saturday, November 18, 2023 at the Troy Cemetery in Troy, Iowa with Rev. Donna Olinger officiating. Memorials have been suggested to the Northeast Missouri Humane Society in Hannibal. Wagler Funeral Home in Bloomfield, Iowa is in charge of arrangements.

Cemetery Details

Troy Cemetery

212th Street
Bloomfield, IA 52537

Previous Events

Graveside Services

NOV 18. 11:00 AM - 11:30 AM (CT)

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Tribute Wall

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“ I graduated high school with Mary Anne. Because the teachers loved alphabetizing the seating, we usually wound up sitting next to each other. (And whispering back and forth.) An especially clear memory for me was frog dissection in biology class. She knew I didn't want to do it, so let me watch while she did the cutting. Now that's kindness. She was unhappy with the direction kit she was given and pulled out her manicure kit to finish! I was a bridesmaid at her wedding, and then lost touch as I went one direction and she another, but have thought of her through the years and wondered how she was.

Rest in peace, Mary Anne.

Johnny Orona - November 17, 2023 at 06:06 PM

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Oh my sweet Mary!! I am so grateful that our paths crossed!! We had a lot of good times together and those are now memories that I will forever cherish!! I would like to share one of my favorite memories of Mary. I was working in the unit at the nursing home where she resided at and we did a color war event every month. Well our color was Black for the month. We came up with a little skit and We called it Folsom Prison Blues!! Now Mary was our Johnny Cash and she practiced and practiced singing two of Johnny Cash's songs. We dressed the residents to look like prisoners in black and white stripes. Mary got up in front of everybody and sang her heart out!! Oh my we had so much fun!! Mary was on cloud 9!!! It was a great day for all of the residents but especially for Mary!! Forever your friend!! ❤️ Jennifer McGrath

Jennifer McGrath - November 19, 2023 at 11:25 PM