



Mary A. Krzyzaniak

April 26, 1931 - January 20, 2022

It is with deep sadness we announce the passing of Mary Alice Krzyzaniak (née O'Reilly), our loving and devoted mother, grandmother, sister, aunt, and friend to many whose lives she touched, on January 20, 2022. She went to her heavenly home while resting peacefully at her residence in Manchester, Michigan, surrounded by her devoted sons. She was 90 years old. Born in Clinton, Michigan on April 26, 1931, Mary was the eldest daughter of the late William and Alice O'Reilly (née Pinkstone), and sister to Catherine Miller (née O'Reilly, deceased) and Florence Ames (née O'Reilly). Mary received her grade school education in a small one-room schoolhouse in Macon, and graduated from St. Joseph Academy in Adrian, Michigan in 1949. Upon graduation from St. Joseph Academy, she went on to complete her nurse training at St. Joseph Mercy Hospital in Ann Arbor, Michigan, graduating in 1952. Mary worked at St. Joseph Mercy Hospital for several years and became the head nurse in the nursery. She later went on to work for Paul Gerick, MD, Chelsea Hospital, and Double A Products where she worked as the plant nurse.

In 1954, Mary married Donald Krzyzaniak (deceased), and raised her five sons at the homestead farm in Manchester where she remained for the duration of her life. Mary was a devout Catholic and faithful parishioner of St. Mary Catholic Church in Manchester, Michigan, and later St. Andrew the Apostle Church in Saline, Michigan. After her nursing career, Mary was an avid seamstress and quilter who enjoyed creating bridal gowns, clothing for her grandchildren, and many beautiful quilts. Over the years, she participated in many social groups and clubs, and served as President of The Twentieth Century Club of Manchester.

Mary was preceded in death by her parents (William and Alice O'Reilly), her husband (Donald Krzyzaniak), her sister (Catherine Miller), son (Gregory Krzyzaniak), and daughter-in-law (Julie Krzyzaniak). She is survived by her sons D. Joseph (Lori) Krzyzaniak, Phillip Krzyzaniak, Thomas (Martha) Krzyzaniak, Kevin Krzyzaniak; twelve grandchildren, Lindsay Krzyzaniak, Brandon Krzyzaniak, Courtney (Paul Cundiff) Krzyzaniak, Rachel (Jacob) Zammit, Caitlyn (Bronson) Conrado, Hannah Krzyzaniak, Emma Krzyzaniak, Eleanor Krzyzaniak, Seanna Krzyzaniak, Alec Krzyzaniak, Evan Krzyzaniak, Grace Krzyzaniak; seven great-grandchildren; and two step-grandchildren.

Also surviving is her sister, Florence Ames.

Mary lived a full life as a wonderful mother, a skilled nurse, a loving and attentive grandmother, and great-grandmother. She will be loved and remembered by many for her kind, outgoing, and cheerful personality, and generous nature. She adored her dear sisters, appreciated the company of her many friends, and enjoyed the numerous groups and clubs she was a part of over the years. Above all, she loved her family and instilled in her sons strong values that have served them well. She took time to teach her grandchildren about their family's history and did well to keep the memory of those we've lost alive for future generations to come. She will be dearly missed and forever in our hearts. A memorial service and celebration of Mary's life is being planned for a weekend in April 2022.

Tribute Wall

FP

“ Fr. Mike Petroski lit a candle in memory of Mary A. Krzyzaniak



Fr. Mike Petroski - April 01 at 08:49 PM

JC

“ I will miss seeing Mary at St. Andrews. She always had a smile. She was very proud of her family and enjoyed Kevin's grandsons, and her great grandsons, when they and their mother were there.
I have known Mary for so many years as I met her through her sister Catherine. We had many good times together.
Mary made me a beautiful mother of the groom dress. She was so talented I know she will be missed by many. May she now Rest In Peace. Jan C.

jan Corona - January 30 at 08:05 PM

JW

“ Mary was a very kind person. I always enjoyed talking with her. RIP

Jack Wheeler - January 29 at 11:13 PM

KB

“ Mary Alice helped me with my sewing projects and was a great friend to myself and my family. Mary Alice was a kind soul and loved everyone.

Katherine Bloch - January 29 at 06:19 PM

MH

“ Mary Hess lit a candle in memory of Mary A. Krzyzaniak



Mary Hess - January 29 at 05:59 PM

RH

“ *Mary was a very special lady. Thoughts and prayers to her family*

Rita Huber - January 26 at 12:13 PM

SR

“ *1 file added to the album Memories Album*



Stephen Robison - January 25 at 03:10 PM

RF

Mary was a sweet and friendly lady. Rest In Peace.

Richard and Carlene Foster - January 27 at 05:32 PM

AW

I admired Mary and thought of her often. Dave and I send our love and deepest sympathy to her boys. She's going to be deeply missed, no doubt.

Annette and David West - January 29 at 06:07 PM

SH

“ *I worked with Mary for Dr. Paul Gerick in Saline many years ago and together we took care of every patient that came for Dr. Gerick's help. She never lost her sense of humor and could always find a lesson in what we were learning each day. She was special from the day I met her. She was a widow with a large family and a disabled child dependent on her and she never complained! Mary was a saint, well loved by many, a special nurse, a great person in so many ways, a family friend and I loved her immensely!
God Bless Mary's Family at this time and always!*

Sara Hehr - January 25 at 10:55 AM

JW

“ *Mary was a long time beloved friend we had many great times together over many years ! She will be missed greatly!*

joyce wild - January 24 at 09:22 PM

MJ

“ We have so many fond memories of Mary. Thankful all the times we had with her. God bless you all. Irma, Milton and Janet Weidmayer

Milt and Janet - January 24 at 05:46 PM

JK

“ Mary was a very sweet and kind lady. We will keep the family in our thoughts and prayers during this difficult time. John and Peggy Klee

John and Peggy Klee - January 24 at 04:47 PM