



Mary Shrader

July 6, 1929 - May 31, 2013

Mary Hearn Shrader, loving wife and mother, left her earthly home and reached her heavenly destination on May 31, 2013. Mary was born on July 6, 1929 to Edward and Rozina Hearn in Monticello, Mississippi. She was preceded in death by her husband, Jack Shrader, to whom she was married 51 years; her infant son, Paul Shrader; and her parents, brothers and sister. Mary is survived by two daughters, Melanie (David) Thomas of Prarie Grove, Arkansas and Gracie (George) Cusick of Springdale, Arkansas; and two furry four legged children, Sparky and Casper.

Mary loved children and always wanted to be a teacher. She said when she was eight years old, a third grade teacher planted a seed that encouraged her creativity and self expression. She knew then that she wanted to teach and to help shape and direct young people's lives in the right direction. She obtained that goal and graduated from the University of Arkansas with her teaching certificate in 1969. She taught at several schools in Springdale before her retirement in 1992. While teaching, Mary won a \$1,000 grant from the Arkansas Department of Education School Recognition Program, as well as a \$500 grant for her "Contagious Creativity" classroom project. After her retirement, she tutored children in her home for ten years. There were many occasions that former students would see her, stop her, and tell her how much they liked being in her class. She truly touched many lives in the classroom.

Mary had a love for God, and that's how she and Jack raised their family. She was a member of Wesley Methodist Church for many years, and then became a member of New Hope Fellowship Church in Springdale. She truly had a servant's heart. When new families moved into the neighborhood, she always took them food as a welcoming gift. If a friend was sick, she would go see them, and offer assistance. You could count on her to help however she could.

Previous Events

Visitation

JUN 3. 5:00 PM - 7:00 PM (CT)

Westfield Chapel Funeral Home
3236 West Huntsville Avenue
Springdale, AR

Service

JUN 4. 10:00 AM (CT)

New Hope Fellowship, 850 S. 56th St., Springdale
South 56th Street
Springdale, AR

Tribute Wall



“ *Westfield Chapel created a Tribute Video in memory of Mary Shrader*



Westfield Chapel - May 31, 2013 at 12:00 AM



“ *I am truly sorry for your loss. I know it is hard, but God will see you through if you just put your trust in him. I loved your mom and she will be missed. She was a blessing to this world and someday we will see her again with Jesus.##imported-begin##Dean Arter##imported-end##*

June 24, 2013 at 01:17 PM



“ *Mary and Jack were my friends and I was blessed to have known them. I enjoyed seeing them as patients and visiting with them at Sunset Grill. I will always remember their faith in God and how thoughtful and kind they were. Sincerely, Kellye McElroy Smith##imported-begin##Kellye McElroy Smith##imported-end##*

June 06, 2013 at 09:48 AM



“ I taught with Mary at Jones Elementary for a few years. She was a special teacher whom I enjoyed knowing and working along side. My sympathy to her family.##imported-begin##Frances Roberts##imported-end##

June 05, 2013 at 07:09 PM



“ Mary was a great teacher, a good friend, and a fellow Springdale teacher. Our sympathies and prayers go out to you, her family, from my family and myself.
Sincerely,
Carolyn Brooks, Retired
John Tyson Elementary School
Springdale##imported-begin##Carolyn Brooks##imported-end##

June 03, 2013 at 06:30 PM



“ She will be missed and god needs a good teacher there.I did her hair for years until lately,I enjoyed her always.love you##imported-begin##Berniece Alford##imported-end##

June 03, 2013 at 05:45 PM



“ I am sorry for your loss. I pray for peace and comfort for Mary's entire family.##imported-begin##Marilyn Willey##imported-end##

June 03, 2013 at 02:58 PM



“ *Mary was the true meaning of a
Lovely Southern Lady.
It was a joy to have her touch our lives.##imported-begin##Rick and
Sue Little##imported-end##*

June 03, 2013 at 11:02 AM



“ *Ms. Shrader was my 3rd grade teacher at Elmdale Elementary in
the early 70's. And her abilities as a teacher probably most show in
her own children, as Ms. Gracie is a jewel. I am very sorry for the
loss of Ms. Shrader and ask God to comfort her family.##imported-
begin##Robin Smith##imported-end##*

June 03, 2013 at 08:33 AM



“ *I am so sorry to hear of Mary's passing. She was a beautiful lady,
inside and out. My sympathy and prayers go to out to you all.*

Kelly Hearn##imported-begin##Kelly Hearn##imported-end##

June 02, 2013 at 09:35 PM



“ *I want to give thanks to our Lord for having Mary in my liife. What a
kind, Godly , and gracious lady she always was.I feel so fortunate to
spend joyful times together.
I love you dear friend.
Sondra##imported-begin##Sondra Gunther##imported-end##*

June 02, 2013 at 06:57 PM



“ I became acquainted with Jack and Mary when I exercised where they did. I enjoyed knowing both of them. I was particularly touched by Mary. Knowing that I had no immediate family in the area, she offered to come to the hospital and be with me when I had surgery. That was a very caring, thoughtful thing to do and I appreciated it. She was a very nice lady.##imported-begin##Emma Banks##imported-end##

June 02, 2013 at 03:38 PM



“ Mary was a beautiful person, friend, and coworker for many years. I will miss her.##imported-begin##Brenda Clark##imported-end##

June 02, 2013 at 09:44 AM



“ We are so sorry for the loss of your mother. We would see both your mom and dad at Sunset Grill for breakfast and talk about Wesley Methodist tilmes. She was always a gracious Southern Lady.##imported-begin##Connie and Ralph O'Mara##imported-end##

June 02, 2013 at 09:31 AM