



Mary E. Bonenberger

May 29, 1940 - December 29, 2022

Mary Ellen Bonenberger, age 82, a resident of Spring City, PA for over 50 years, passed away Thursday, December 29, 2022, in the Phoenixville Hospital. Born on May 29, 1940, in Pottsville, PA, she was a daughter of the late Albert J. and Anna (Sczerba) Krusznoski, Minersville, PA.

Mary Ellen was a graduate of Nativity High School in Pottsville, and she attended the Pottsville Nursing School. She retired after a lengthy career working as an independent insurance medical examiner.

Mary had many interests throughout her life. She was an avid reader of medical books and adventurous fiction novels. She enjoyed completing crossword puzzles. After leaving the coal regions to raise her family, she took great satisfaction in her home on Ridge Road in East Vincent Township, but she also enjoyed trips back to Minersville to reminisce and remain connected with friends and family.

Mary also loved music, lilacs, and watching cooking shows. She took great pride in her appearance and independence. She enjoyed joy rides, popping in to visit her children, grandchildren, great grandchildren and friends for a cup of coffee and conversation. Always dressed to perfection, Mary was a quintessential fashionista obvious by her on trend style and love of silver jewelry.

Mary absolutely loved her fur companion, Gracie, a dachshund that brought her much love and contentment over the past 14 years. They were inseparable. She had a love of dogs and always had fur companions in her life. Daisy, a dachshund was by her side for many years prior to Gracie.

Mary is survived by her fur companion Gracie and six children, Donna A., wife of James Develin of Rehoboth Beach, DE, Harold F., husband of Karen Bonenberger of Pottstown, PA, William F., husband of Trica Bonenberger of Pottstown, PA, Cindy L., wife of John Bassett, of Bordentown, NJ, Tara L., wife of Dennis Parkinson of Montgomeryville, PA, and Amanda M. Sydor of Reading, PA. She is survived by thirteen grandchildren, Nichole (Matt) Shustack, James (Jenny) Develin, Christopher (Amanda) Bonenberger, Lauren (Daniel) Culhane, Andrew (Devon) Bonenberger, Melissa (Jordan) Stierly, Annie (Doug) Wang, Eric (Victoria) Bonenberger, John Elliot Bassett, Codi Parkinson, Brianna Parkinson, Michael Sydor III and Nicholas Sydor and 20 great-grandchildren with one on the way.

Funeral services will be held privately at the convenience of the family. In lieu of flowers, memorial contributions may be made in her name to the Brandywine Valley SPCA, 1212 Phoenixville Pike, West Chester, PA 19380 or by visiting www.BVSPCA.org/donate. Arrangements are being handled by the Campbell - Ennis - Klotzbach Funeral Home, Inc., Phoenixville, PA. Condolences may be offered online at www.PhoenixvilleFuneralHome.com.

Cemetery Details

Private

Tribute Wall

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“ I just learned of Mary Ellen's death. She was my cousin, my friend. We grew up together in our early years when my mom, dad and I lived in her mother's apartments. She used to teach me to read at the blackboard in the back yard. The last time we talked on the phone wasn't many days before she passed. She wondered if I was coming home for Christmas. I didn't know she was ill. We both shared our medical issues; I thought she was stable. She wasn't someone to complain about her health. We listened to each other. I feel very sad. I will miss talking with her, sharing stories, advice. I loved her. Margie Zerba 216-973-9756. I will let family here know about her passing. I wish I could speak with one of her family members. Margie Zerba, mgtzphd@gmail.com.

margaret zerba - March 22, 2023 at 03:15 PM

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“ Mary, Liz and I ruled the world Fun and Support there will never be another I will always Love and Remember her My Girl

Zepp - January 09, 2023 at 01:44 PM

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“ I'm very sorry to hear of Mary's passing. I met Mary several years ago while helping care for her neighbors at FH. Her & Gracie were inseparable & their love for each other was unquestionable. She was always impeccable in her appearance. My clients moved several years ago but Mary & I remained in contact, meeting for breakfast occasionally. She always kept in contact, including a Christmas card we just received a few weeks ago. I will miss her. My sincere condolences to the family.

Sandi Schiavo - January 09, 2023 at 07:29 AM

EK

“ I had the honor of meeting Mary one year ago at FH. Mary was an absolute joy to be around. I lost my Mother almost three years ago and Mary and I became friends. Mary knew everyone my Mom did. Mary always had her hair done , and always dressed like she was meeting someone important. With all of her jewelery and with Gracie by her side, I found her to be very interesting....she knew a lot of everything. Mary spoke her mind whether people liked it not. I met Cindy and Donna. I send your entire families my condolences. Your Mom was a class act!

Ed Koch - January 04, 2023 at 01:26 PM

DA

“ I am so sorry for your loss Harold and Billy and the entire family. She was such a wonderful lady. God bless you all.
Diane (Houck) Allen

Diane Allen - January 03, 2023 at 06:19 PM