



## Mary Jean Foresta

November 16, 1928 - October 1, 2022

Mary Jean (Keen) Foresta, 93, of Phoenixville, PA, passed away peacefully at home on Saturday, October 1, 2022. She was the wife of the late Vincent J. "Jack" Foresta, with whom she shared 70 years of marriage prior to his passing in 2020. Born on November 16, 1928 in Spring City, PA, she was a daughter of the late E. Roy and Jennie B. (Stauffer) Keen.

Mrs. Foresta was a graduate of Spring City High School, and attended Beauty School in Philadelphia. Along with her sister Pauline, she operated a beauty salon in Spring City for several years. In 1973, she and her husband Jack opened Foresta's Market at its present location on West Bridge Street in Phoenixville.

Mary Jean was active in the community, serving as Past President of the Phoenixville Hospital Auxiliary and was a member of the hospital bowling league. She also was a member of the Junior Women's Club of Phoenixville and the First United Church of Christ in Spring City.

Along with her husband, Mary Jean enjoyed spending time at their home in Avalon, NJ for over 40 years. They spent several winters in Florida at Island Dunes, where as an avid golfer, she was the 9 Hole Club Champion in 2006.

As a loving wife, mother, grandmother, and great-grandmother, Mary Jean

loved spending time with, and following the lives of, her family.

Mrs. Foresta is survived by three children, Jean Ann Saville of King of Prussia, PA, J. Scott, husband of Cathy Foresta of East Pikeland, and Jennifer K. Foresta, wife of Kevin Sterritt of East Pikeland; six grandchildren, Bradley, husband of Kelli Saville, Kelly, wife of Michael Kilian, J. Christian, husband of Ashley Foresta, Mark, husband of Brittany Foresta, Jacy Sterritt, and Geena Sterritt; eight great-grandchildren, Laurel, Corinne and Mila Kilian, Chase Saville, Josephine, Jase, Jackson and Jude Foresta; and many nieces and nephews. She was preceded in death by two sisters, Grace (Keen) Yeager and Pauline (Keen) Hughes.

Funeral services and burial will be held privately at the convenience of the family. In lieu of flowers, memorial contributions may be made in Mary Jean's name to a charity of your choice. Condolences may be made by visiting [www.PhoenixvilleFuneralHome.com](http://www.PhoenixvilleFuneralHome.com). Arrangements are being handled by the Campbell - Ennis - Klotzbach Funeral Home, Inc., Phoenixville, PA.

# Tribute Wall

NJ

“ *This makes my heart sad. Beautiful woman with the most humble heart. I pray you are sitting at a happy hour with Edee and Bob on the other side. All the hugs to the family Naomi and family xo*



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**Naomi Jones** - October 29, 2022 at 09:42 PM

JE

“ *Aunt Mary Jean you are now where you belong, rest peacefully together and continue to watch over the entire family as you both have always done. Peace be with you both, love you! Jeanine and all my family members will cherish all of our times together and hold you both tightly in our hearts and souls.*



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**jeanine** - October 06, 2022 at 08:36 AM

BC

“ *So very sorry to hear of your loss. My sincere condolences to the Foresta family .*

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**Bruce Campbell** - October 06, 2022 at 05:08 AM

AS

“ *To the Foresta family, We are so sorry for your loss. Our thoughts and prayers are with you all during this difficult time. May you find peace in the memories and may time help heal.*  
*Love,*  
*The Hoffman's -Bill, Ashley, Ryker, and Bode*

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**Ashley** - October 03, 2022 at 11:11 PM

NF

“ *rest in peace Mrs. Foresta*



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**Nancy J Funk** - October 03, 2022 at 08:14 PM

LU

“ *To Jen and the whole Foresta family:  
So sorry to hear about your mom's passing. Whether I saw her at our tennis matches or in your store, your mom was always friendly and took the time to talk to me. And she and your dad were such good friends of my parents over the years!  
We're keeping you in our prayers during this difficult time.*

*With deepest sympathy,  
Lisa (Neborak) Urbani and Rob Urbani*

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**Lisa and Rob Urbani** - October 03, 2022 at 05:51 PM

VI

“ *Our deepest sympathy and sincere condolences to the entire Foresta family. Forestas Market has been such a blessing to our entire community for decades. You are in our thoughts and prayers.  
Vern & Cathy Ingham*

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**Vern & Cathy Ingham** - October 03, 2022 at 02:13 PM

SM

“ So sorry for your loss. I remember Mary Jean from the time I was a little girl and we used to walk across the street to get our hair cut! She and Pauline would always do our hair for proms or any very special occasion that would come up. What a delightful lady she was! RIP Mary Jean.  
Sandra Shaner Mull

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**Sandra Mull** - October 03, 2022 at 10:01 AM

  
Darleen  
Kipp

“ I use to babysit Jean Ann and Scotty when Mary Jean and Jack had a date night. I remember thinking how much they must have loved each other to commit to still have date nights.

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**Darleen Kipp** - October 03, 2022 at 09:56 AM

SL

“ Scott, Jeananne, Jen and families.... We were so very sorry to hear of your mom's passing. She was a very special lady and always pleasant when I would see her out and about. Know that you all are in our thoughts and prayers. Sandy Lawrence

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**Sandy Lawrence** - October 02, 2022 at 07:08 PM

BA

“ My deepest sympathy to the Family of Mary Jean- she was a WONDERFUL person!!!!!!

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**Betty Ash** - October 02, 2022 at 02:04 PM

JB

“ May Mrs. Foresta rest in peace and may all of your family find comfort in your memories.

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**Josie and Tom Bachi** - October 02, 2022 at 10:56 AM

CL

“ Sorry for your loss. She was a wonderful lady and friend

charles lapella - October 02, 2022 at 07:49 AM



“ Fiery Lily and Rose was purchased for the family of Mary Jean Foresta.



October 01, 2022 at 11:09 PM

RH

“ To the Foresta Family,  
You have my deepest sympathy. Thoughts and prayer go out to you.  
Renee H.

Renee Hashinger-Evasew - October 01, 2022 at 09:34 PM

JT

“ Foresta family, so very sorry for your loss.

Jim Tucker - October 01, 2022 at 07:08 PM

JR

“ Jon Rankin lit a candle in memory of Mary Jean Foresta



Jon Rankin - October 01, 2022 at 07:04 PM

JR

“ *Scott and Cathy-so sad to hear of the passing of your mom. I remember her as a great lady those many years ago that ours paths crossed. Love and prayers to you and your family.*

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**Jon Rankin** - October 01, 2022 at 07:03 PM



“ *Jen and family;*

*Your parents gave me my first job, working Saturday afternoons at the market. Your mother was one of a kind- living, stern, a tough but fair boss. She had a way with people that served their business well. She was legendary. Please accept my sincere condolences of the passing of your mother. Sincerely, Susan Krause Flavin .*

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**Susan Flavin** - October 01, 2022 at 06:12 PM

BH

“ *Sorry to hear of Mary Jeans passing - many happy days spent at the Foresta house - whether Phoenixville or Avalon. Keeping you on my prayers.*

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**Beth (Blisard) Hungerbuhler** - October 01, 2022 at 05:03 PM

AC

“ *Our prayers and love are with you Foresta family! MJ was the best! She is with her love now!*

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**Alicia Clay** - October 01, 2022 at 04:46 PM