



Mary L. Beaney

December 6, 1929 - April 30, 2016

Mary L. Beaney, 86 of Bourbonnais, died at home on April 30, 2016. She was born Dec. 6, 1929 in Berwick, PA to Archie and Hazel (Smith) Ridall. She married William Beaney in July of 1954. He preceded her in death.

Mary received her Master's degree from Brockport State Teachers College in Brockport, NY. She taught Kindergarten for four years in Kendall, NY and three years in Carlisle PA. Mary was a first grade teacher for the Bourbonnais School District for 28 years. She was also a 55 year member of the College Church of the Nazarene. Mary enjoyed knitting, crocheting, crafts, reading, sewing, cooking and baking.

She is survived by one son John Beaney of Bourbonnais, one daughter Carol Beaney of Crescent City and two sisters; Dorothy Ridall of Bourbonnais and Carol Jeanne Gillespie of Chambersburg, PA. Mary was preceded in death by her parents, husband and three brothers; Archie, Robert Clyde and Benjamin Ridall.

There will be a visitation on Tuesday, May 10, 2016 from 10AM to 11AM at the College Church of the Nazarene followed by and 11AM funeral officiated by Rev. Mark Quanstrom. Burial will be at Abraham Lincoln National Cemetery, Elwood, IL. Memorials may be made in her name to the College Church of the Nazarene Missions fund.

Please sign her guestbook at www.schrefflerfuneralhomes.com

Cemetery Details

Abraham Lincoln National Cemetery

20953 W. Hoff Road
Elwood, IL 60421
(815) 423-9958
<http://www.cem.va.gov/cems/nchp/abrahamlincoln.asp>

Previous Events

Visitation

MAY 10. 10:00 AM - 11:00 AM (CT)

College Church of the Nazarene
200 University Ave
Bourbonnais, IL 60914
(815) 933-7749

Funeral Service

MAY 10. 11:00 AM (CT)

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Tribute Wall



“ *Mary L. Beaney*

February 03, 2023 at 04:30 AM



“ *Roberta J. Olson lit a candle in memory of Mary L. Beaney*



Roberta J. Olson - May 10, 2016 at 04:46 PM



“ *Dear Carol and John,
Your mother was special to me. She was the first lady I met when I moved to here to go to school at ONU. She always was so giving when folk were ill she would bring them food she had prepared herself. We were in many Bible Studies together and would add wonder thought about that area of scripture. She played for the older group that Norman and Marjorie Moore started for the older people of college church called Wesley Cell. Mary talked about her children with great love and care and pride.
She was a wonderful friend and a most caring lady. God bless her memory. Thinking of you Carol and John.
Gen Norton Arnold*

Gen Norton Arnold - May 10, 2016 at 01:21 PM

RU

“*Mary and William Beaney were quite the couple. Both had a servant's heart and they touched many lives. I had the upmost respect for both. Dr. Beaney is missed and Mary will be missed. But the hope we have through Christ will bring comfort to John and Carol. My condolences to both John and Carol.*

Roland Underwood

Roland Underwood - May 08, 2016 at 06:57 PM

MN

“*Mrs. Beaney was my daughter's 1st grade teacher at Robert Frost Grade School. I wished that every 1st grade student could have Mrs. Beaney for their teacher. She was so very kind and always very concerned for the students welfare. Teaching was not a job or a paycheck to Mrs. Beaney - it was a calling. She really cared for her students and what they did outside the classroom. If she saw them out and about, she would ask how they were and what they were doing. She never stopped caring about her students even when they were grown up. Thank you Mrs. Beaney for being the special teacher you were. From the parents who had the good luck to have a daughter in your class.*

*God Bless,
Mike and Lila Norvell*

Mike and Lila Norvell - May 08, 2016 at 04:50 PM

CN

“ Mrs. Beaney is by far one of my favorite teachers I had from my years as a student. Not long ago, I found a letter Mrs. Beaney sent to me the summer before I entered 1st grade in 1985. I remember how delighted I was when I received this letter in the mail. I will always remember Mrs. Beaney as a teacher who truly enjoyed and cared about her students. Rest in peace and may the Lord bless you!

Christina Norvell

Christina Norvell - May 08, 2016 at 04:28 PM

EH

“ Mrs. Beaney was my first grade teacher and also my first mentor. She was meant to be a guide to young children! I've had many teachers since 1984, yet the lessons she shared are a huge part of who I am today. I'm grateful for her life, her wisdom, her kindness and her part in making me who I am. Much love to all of the people who feel the loss of one of the world's best people. LOVE, Emily Hermes

Emily Hermes - May 07, 2016 at 07:04 PM



“ I was in first grade at Robert Frost in 65/66. Mrs. Beaney has always been my favorite teacher since that time, and I've had many! I wish I'd been able to tell her that more often. Rest in peace, dear teacher.

Laurie Williams - May 07, 2016 at 10:44 AM

DW

“ Sweet Mrs. Beaney came into our lives 25 years ago when she came into our home and tutored our Megan who was unable to attend school because of cancer treatments. They developed a bond then and remained throughout the years! We were blessed to share Thanksgiving the last five years or so together with Mrs. Beaney we love and will miss her. Rest in peace dear friend! Debbie Wood

Debbie Wood - May 05, 2016 at 09:39 PM

GF

“ Please accept my family's heartfelt condolences on the loss of your dear loved one. May you find comfort in fond memories, and The Almighty God's promise in The Bible, to restore those asleep in death to perfect life on a paradise Earth.

Greene Family - May 05, 2016 at 10:18 AM

KW

So sorry for the loss of your mom Carol...I am sure she is in the arms of her Savior and can give a good accounting of her life...She will certainly hear those precious words.. "Well done thou good and faithful servant.." She raised a fabulous daughter for sure...love to you... Sister Webb

Kathleen Webb - May 09, 2016 at 09:21 PM

CH

She taught me to read in first grade. She was a gentle kind soul. Thanks Mrs. Beaney, for sharing your gift of teaching with me.

Christy - June 24, 2016 at 08:01 PM