



# Mary Jane Osborne

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**F**orsyth – Mary Jane Osborne, 81, of Forsyth, passed away Friday, August 19, 2016 at Hickory Point Christian Village, Forsyth, with her family by her side. Mary Jane was born June 16, 1935, in Decatur, the daughter of Harry and Clara E. (Gosnell) Banfield. A very active member of First Lutheran Church, Mary Jane volunteered for many local organizations throughout her life. She worked as the office manager for her son, Larry W. Osborne, DMD for many years. Mary Jane married William “Bill” K. Osborne December 27, 1953 in Decatur.

She is survived by her husband, Bill; children: Dr. Larry (Nancy) Osborne of Forsyth and Carol (Tom) Rose of O’Fallon, MO; grandchildren: Ryan (Mary) Rose, Lindsay (Shawn) Colbert, Brittany (Tamron) Fernandez, Samuel Osborne and MacKenzie Osborne; great grandchildren: Hayden, Carter, Gracie, Ashlynn and Clark. Mary Jane is also survived by the following siblings: Eleanor (Dale) Scott of Decatur, Harry Dean Banfield of Moro, IL, and Wayne (Connie) Banfield of Decatur; many nieces, nephews, other relatives and friends.

Services to celebrate Mary Jane’s life will be 3 pm, Saturday, August 27, 2016, in First Lutheran Church, Decatur. A visitation will be held from 2 to 3 pm in the church. In lieu of flowers, memorial may be made to First Lutheran Church, Decatur.

The family of Mary Jane Osborne is being served by Graceland/Fairlawn Funeral Home, 2091 N. Oakland Ave., Decatur, IL. Condolences and memories may be shared at [www.gracelandfairlawn.com](http://www.gracelandfairlawn.com).



## Tribute Wall

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BS

**Beverly Steinberg** posted:

How do we go on without Aunt Mary Jane? That's something my cousins and I have to figure out along with her children and grandchildren. She impacted our lives with unity of keeping our family informed and bringing us together. I find myself surrounded by butterflies that I rarely noticed before when I go out and it's so comforting. It's a constant reminder of the love she had for family and what family is to all of us...a place to belong. You will always be with us Aunt Mary Jane and somehow we will have those family reunions.

September 15 at 10:09 AM

KK

**Kevin Kelley** posted:

Sorry we missed Mary Jane's visitation and services, Kerry nor I subscribe to the Herald & Review anymore and we just found out about her passing today! We have so many fond memories of her and all the extended families it wouldn't be possible to describe even a small percentage of them in the limited space we are allowed on this site. I suppose the best way to describe our sadness/joy is to say thank you all for being a part of our lives, we will always cherish the friendship and kindness we received from all of you! Our thoughts and prayers are with you. Kevin & Kerry Kelley

August 28 at 10:07 AM

SO

**Steve Osseck** posted:

Larry and family, So sorry to hear of the passing of Mary Jane. She was one of those people that you could not forget. So kind, so friendly. Thinking of you. Steve Osseck

August 27 at 4:05 AM

SB

**Shelly Bright** posted:

Mary Jane was one of my mother's dearest, sweetest friends. My mom was Barb Mowry & she passed away in 1994 of lung cancer. I moved to Springfield shortly after my mother's death, but when I would come to my mother's grave on special occasions or holidays, I would always find an arrangement or memorial that Mary Jane had left there. That went on for years. Just the other day, I thought about Mary Jane and wondered where she was at. I was very saddened to see that I had let time go by and it is too late. My deepest sympathies!!

August 24 at 9:28 AM



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BH

**Beverly Huckaba** posted:

Dear Bill, Larry, Carol and families, I have known Mary Jane since High School. Although I never lived in Decatur we always kept in touch so I was able to follow all of your lives over the years and felt like I knew all of you. She was a very special friend and I will miss her very much. I remember visiting her and Bill in their apartment after they were first married – at that time I was dating who was to become my husband (Jim) and we had lots of fun with them. My deepest condolences to all of you on this great loss to your family. Much love and prayers, Beverly (McQueen) Huckaba

August 24 at 4:08 AM

HK

**Helen Kelly** posted:

So sorry. Thoughts and prayers are with you. Helen Kelly

August 22 at 6:39 PM

PW

**Pastor Al Weidlich** posted:

Dear Bill and family of Mary Jane. How blessed you were ....we were...to have her in our world. she always had something good to say, a ready smile and laugh, and a tale to share. Truly we loved her and are grateful to our Loving Lord for her presence. I especially enjoyed the stories she told about previous Pastors, Also, she helped design and make the card we send to members at the first anniversary of their loss of a loved one. In her personal life, she set a high water mark for us to reach. She certainly has passed on to her family and us too a profound witness of how the Christian faith can shape life and make it more beautiful. I wish I could thank her for how she helped me during my years at First. I remember especially how kind she was to my precious Judy. May our gracious God who gave Mary Jane to you and to folks like myself and His Church, comfort you with His love as He has called one of His daughter's to their eternal life.. Al Weidlich. and family.

August 22 at 1:41 PM

HJ

**Harry Jackson** posted:

Nice memory...

August 22 at 6:17 AM

SS

**Sheila Schilling** posted:

Lit a candle in memory of Mary Jane Osborne

August 22 at 5:50 AM



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SS

**Sheila Schilling** posted:

Having known Mary Jane since we were both young, I have always thought of her as being a very caring and giving person. I know that not only family but also others that knew her will miss her greatly. This was a lady with true class. Sheila Schilling

August 22 at 5:49 AM

JR

**Janet Rhodes** posted:

I will definitely miss your smile at the cousins lunch. I was glad you got to attend the last one. Even tho I can't be there in body, my thoughts and prayers are with everyone. One of your Banfield cousins, Janet.

August 21 at 3:43 PM

JH

**J. Barry Howell** posted:

Our thoughts and prayers are with the entire Osborne family. Barry, Connie and Mitch Howell

August 21 at 2:54 PM

KF

**Kim Fredericksen** posted:

My deepest condolences to the Osborne family. Mary Jane was such a sweet lady, always enjoyed visits with her at the dental office.

August 21 at 11:31 AM

PK

**Pat Kasten** posted:

I will always hear her saying, "now Patty, you and Carol behave yourselves". Well we tried Mom2, but it always never happened. She always had a smile on her face and gave the best hugs. Staying overnight and waking up to her Goldenrod Egg on toast for breakfast was the best ever! I had a lot of fun times at the Osborne house growing up. I will miss the emails she used to send me at work and home. It seemed like she always knew the right time to send me a message to make me smile. She will always be my Mom2 and will hold her close in my heart. Love you Mom2! Patty Carr Kasten

August 20 at 4:47 PM



# Memories only last if you share them

Join us in honoring Mary by contributing to a collection of shared memories.



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