



Mary Francis Budge

November 27, 1939 - June 27, 2024

Mary Francis Gravel Budge, age 84, of Bloomington, Minneapolis, and Edina, passed away, at home, on June 27th, 2024. Preceded in death by her father Francis, mother Mary, one sister and five brothers. Mary was born in Little Falls, MN but primarily grew up in Bemidji, MN. She graduated from Bemidji High School, completed a degree in education, in three years, from Bemidji State College and earned her Master's degree in Education from the University of Minnesota. Additionally, she held an administrative degree from the College of St. Thomas. She taught in many Minnesota locations including Ely, Minneapolis, Bloomington and Edina Public Schools. She retired in 1999. Mary was a wonderful daughter, sister, wife, mother, grandmother, mentor and friend. She was willing to listen and be present for any and all who needed her council or the comfort of her loving and beautiful smile. Mary often attended many artistic events including concerts, plays and operas. She enjoyed bridge, books, needlepoint and electronic games. She is survived by her loving and devoted husband of 60 years Peter; her children, son David (Tami), Eagan, daughter Kirsten, CT.; granddaughter Taylor (Matt), East Grand Forks, MN; sister Sharon (Tom) NJ; sisters-in-law, Maria, NYC, Nina, ND, Eileen, WI; brothers-in-law Mike (Chris) WI, Tom (Amy), NM; as well as many nieces and nephews. A celebration of her life will be held on Monday, July 8, 11:00AM, Dawn Valley Chapel and Memorial Park, 9940 Bush Lake Road, Bloomington, MN, 55436. Visitation at 10:00AM. Internment and luncheon immediately following. Memorials may be made to Park Nicollet Methodist Hospital

Hospice, 952-993-6087.

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Dawn Valley Chapel 952-941-7686

Previous Events

Visitation

JUL 8. 10:00 AM - 11:00 AM (CT)

Dawn Valley Chapel
9940 Bush Lake Road
Bloomington, MN 55438

Memorial Service

JUL 8. 11:00 AM - 12:00 PM (CT)

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Graveside Service

JUL 8. 12:00 PM - 12:15 PM (CT)

Dawn Valley Memorial Park (Bloomington)
9940 Bush Lake Road
Bloomington, MN 55438

Tribute Wall

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“Pete and Family, So many wonderful memories of Mary Fran from grade school at St.Phillip's through graduation from BHS in 1957! One of my dearest friends and I shall miss her so much!
Mary Jo Klaers Herr

MaryJo Herr - July 08, 2024 at 11:07 AM

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“Our family is sad to hear of the death of Mary. Both of our children, David and Dana, were fortunate to have her as their teacher. She was their favorite teacher because of her caring nature, loving instruction and desire to have them experience the joy of learning. As parents we so enjoyed our visits with her. As an administrator in the Edina Public Schools I had many opportunities to interact with her and share great times educating the children in the district. She was an exceptional educator with her warm personality and ability to connect personally with her colleagues and parents. I valued her friendship and felt fortunate to have frequent conversations with her. A truly exceptional person and educator. May her wonderful life comfort all of you. Ken Dragseth, Edina Public Schools Retired

Ken Dragseth - July 03, 2024 at 09:23 AM