



Mary Lou Markley

October 14, 1937 - March 19, 2014

Mary Lou Markley, 76 of Bluffton passed away at 1:45 p.m. Wednesday, March 19, 2014 at her residence surrounded by her family.

A lifelong resident of Wells County, Mary Lou was born on October 14, 1937 in Dillman, Indiana to Lester & Edith (Ulrich) Brown. She was the 1955 valedictorian of Liberty Center High School. She retired from Kitco in January of 2002 after 42 ½ years in customer service and as an administrative assistant to the owner.

Mary Lou was always giving to her community. She was a member of the American Business Women's Association for 30 years, a member of the Civitan International for 15 years, Wells County Relay for Life Chair Person for 10 years. She volunteered at the Bluffton Regional Medical Center and the Bargain Hut, served on the Wells Community Health Services Foundation Auxiliary, Cancer Services of Northeast Indiana, Bluffton Regional Medical Center Cancer Survivor Dinner Event, Wells County Health Fair, American Cancer Society, Family Life Care, The Special Olympics, Junior Achievement of Wells County, a Member of LIGHT and worked with the Closet Project with Family Centered Services. She was also a proud member of the Red Hat Society.

On December 18, 1965 in Bluffton she married Leon D. Markley in Bluffton.

He preceded her in death on April 19, 1984. She is survived by a son Michael L. Guldice of Springfield, Ohio, a granddaughter, Shandie L. Wheatley of Bluffton along with two great-grandchildren Mariah Marshall & McKenzie Wheatley.

She is preceded in death by a sister Rita Yencer.

Calling hours will be held from 2 to 8 on Friday, March 21, 2014 at the Thoma/Rich, Lemler Funeral Home in Bluffton. A service to celebrate Mary Lou's life will be held at 2:00 p.m. Saturday, March 22, 2014 in the funeral home with calling for one hour prior to the service. Lynn Elliott & Mike Kracium will officiate. Burial will follow at the Six Mile Cemetery with Family Life Care Chaplin Jeff Luttrell officiating. Memorials are strongly encouraged to be made in Mary Lou's memory to Family Life Care or Cancer Services of Northeast Indiana. Friends can send online condolences to the family at www.thomarich.com.

Cemetery Details

Six Mile Cemetery

4795 SE State Road 116
Bluffton, IN

Previous Events

Visitation

MAR 21. 2:00 PM - 8:00 PM (ET)

Thoma/Rich, Lemler Funeral Home
308 West Washington Street
Bluffton, IN 46714
<http://www.thomarich.com>

Visitation

MAR 22. 1:00 PM - 2:00 PM (ET)

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Service

MAR **22**. 2:00 PM (ET)

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Tribute Wall



“ *Mary Lou Markley*

September 08, 2022 at 08:26 PM



“ *I Worked with Mary Lou at Bluffton Regional Medical Center. Such a Sweet Lady and a Beautiful Soul! She was very Pleasant to Work with! We will miss her very deeply! Peace and Grace Barry and JoEllen Crosbie!*

Barry Crosbie - March 26, 2014 at 03:14 AM



“ *So sorry Mike that we didn't really get a chance to talk to you very long. We waited at the cemetery, but it was just too cold to stay very long. Gary knew Mary Lou in years past, but I just recently got to know her through working with her at the Bargain Hut. She was a joy to be around and her ability to speak her mind without offending anyone was quite an art.*

Condolences to you and Shandie and her family.

Gary & Margetta Stinson

Margetta Stinson - March 22, 2014 at 10:36 PM

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“ I am so sorry to read, in the Fort Wayne newspaper of Mary Lou's passing. She was such an organized woman, and so nice. She was an excellent president during her term at the Bargain Hut. A joy to know and she will surely be missed by many who knew her. God Bless to Mike and family. ~BJ Gray



BJ Gray - March 22, 2014 at 11:31 AM