



Mary Lou Reeves Duke

November 24, 1928 - March 16, 2019

Mary Lou Reeves Duke, age 90, of Lexington died peacefully Saturday evening in Jackson, TN with family at her side.

Mary Lou was the first born to Bradley Carmon and Alma Frances Douglas Reeves on November 24, 1928. Both she and her High School and neighborhood sweetheart Husband Van L Duke were raised in Darden, TN.

Their married life, however, was lived primarily in the Bargerton / Union Cross area of Henderson County on their farm surrounded by good neighbors.

Mary Lou is survived by one son, Johnny Lawton Duke (Anne) of Lexington, one daughter Teresa Ann Duke Holimon (Wayne) of Germantown, TN, 3 grandchildren Randall Lawton Duke (Elizabeth), Amy Michalle Duke Berryman (Joe), Holly Anne Duke Overman (Daniel), 7 great-grandchildren (Lindsay Abigail (Abby) Duke, Kaylee Isabelle Duke, Joshua Lawton Duke, Caleb Michael Berryman, Jase Luke Berryman, Harrison Lane Overman, and RayBritt Hunter Overman. She leaves all her siblings, 2 brothers Nelson Carmon Reeves (Billie Jean), Hubert Wayne Reeves, 3 sisters Doris Frances Reeves Mays, Bettie Jane Reeves Mobley (Henry), Judith Ann Reeves Hendrix (Glenn) and her long-standing special neighborhood friends John Robert and Bobbie Jean Cody James and their daughter Teresa Lynn. Her remaining "Duke" in-laws include Guy Loyce Duke of Jackson, Linda Scates Duke of Darden and Nancy Duke of Hendersonville. She also leaves a host of dearly beloved nieces and nephews.

She was preceded in death by her husband of almost 57 years Van Lawton

Duke and her parents Bradley Carmon and Alma Frances Douglas Reeves of Darden and multiple in-laws she loved as her own.

Mary Lou enjoyed cooking, sewing related hobbies, and loved her Lord and Savior Jesus Christ and The Poplar Corner Pentecostal Church. She was a faithful, hard-working and loving companion for her equally hard-working husband over all their years together. She led by example and was known as the "Family Prayer Warrior". She, along with family, appreciated so many folks especially in the later years. Special appreciation extended to her full-time young caregiver Courtney Woods Rickman, her Physical Therapist Aid Laurie Sanders, baby sister Judy and her local physicians Warren Ramer Jr, and Dr. Kevin Stroup with nurse Janna.

Visitation is Tuesday evening 5 pm-8 pm, Wednesday 8 am until funeral services at 10:30 all at Reeds Chapel. Burial will immediately follow at Poplar Corner Church Cemetery.

In lieu of flowers, the family requests donations be made to Poplar Corner Cemetery Fund, the Alzheimer's Association or the organization of your choice.

Tribute Wall

RS

“ Rhonda Sanders sent a virtual gift in memory of Mary Lou Reeves Duke



Rhonda Sanders - March 18, 2019 at 11:19 PM

JM

“ Joan Usery Morris lit a candle in memory of Mary Lou Reeves Duke



Joan Usery Morris - March 18, 2019 at 10:44 PM

JM

“ My thoughts and prayers are with each of you at this time. Mrs Mary Lou was a precious lady and her love for the Lord shined brightly. When I'd be cleaning up the dining room she would sometimes sing along with me with her sweet voice.

Janet Mays - March 18, 2019 at 10:25 PM

GY

I remember Ms Mary Lou from many years ago when Teresa was taking piano lessons. She was such wonderful, kind person as was talented daughter, Teresa.
Gail Neisler Youngerman

Gail Youngerman - March 19, 2019 at 09:57 AM

ER

“ Sorry for your loss! Mary Lou was always a precious lady! Our thoughts and prayers are with all the family! She will be missed!

Ernest and Ruth Ann Hendrix Reeves - March 18, 2019 at 09:51 PM

BB

“ So sorry to hear about Ms. Mary Lou. She was a very special lady. Our thoughts and prayers to her family.

Becky Bush - March 18, 2019 at 09:18 PM



“ Beautiful Heart Bouquet was purchased for the family of Mary Lou Reeves Duke.



March 18, 2019 at 08:30 PM

 Debbie
N Keith
Patterson

“ Debbie N Keith Patterson sent a virtual gift in memory of Mary Lou Reeves Duke



Debbie N Keith Patterson - March 18, 2019 at 05:44 PM

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“ Mary Lou was a very dear sweet precious lady she was loved by all who knew her I was blessed to call her my dear friend . Ms Mary Lou will be missed dearly,My love and prayers are with the family

Debbie N Keith Patterson - March 18, 2019 at 05:43 PM

CP

“ *Dearest Teresa, Johnny and Anne:*

Know that you are all in my thoughts these past days and you will be there in the days ahead. My siblings and I loved Mrs. Mary Lou, as did Courtney. My memories of her are ones filled with love of her family, her Lord and hard work. She will be missed.

Charlotte Pruett - March 18, 2019 at 04:48 PM