



Mary Ellen Root

May 29, 1947 - August 24, 2019

Mary Ellen Root, 72, of McPherson, Kansas passed away Saturday, August 24th, 2019 peacefully at Wesley Medical Center, Wichita, Kansas.

Mary Ellen was born in Kansas City, Missouri on May 29, 1947.

Mary Ellen attended a rural grade school in Pawnee county, Kansas, Larned High School, Larned, Kansas and graduated in 1965. She then attended Fort Hays State University, Fort Hays, Kansas where she graduated with a sociology degree in 1970.

She was a member of First Mennonite Church McPherson.

Through the years Mary Ellen worked as a social worker for the State of Kansas and a case worker for MCDS in McPherson until she retired in 2003.

Mary Ellen enjoyed volunteer work, helping in numerous activities at her church and spending time with her family and especially her grandchildren.

She is survived by her daughter Sarah Keller, of San Antonio, Texas.

She is also survived by her grandchildren, Ashton Keller, Parker Keller and Robyn Keller.

Mary was preceded in death by her adopted parents Hollis and Sadie Gore and her son Joshua William Root.

A Celebration of Life service will be held Monday, September 2, 2019 at 10:30 a.m. at the First Mennonite Church, McPherson, Kansas with Pastor Rose Marie Zook Barber officiating.

Burial will be at a later date.

In lieu of flowers, memorial contributions may be made to Humane Society of McPherson and they can be sent to Glidden-Ediger Funeral Home; 222 W. Euclid, McPherson, Kansas 67460.

Events

SEP **Celebration of Life 10:30AM**

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First Mennonite Church

1161 East Avenue A., KS, US

Comments



“ Mary Ellen and I were at Bethel together our freshman year. We had some crazy times with our KS, SD, NY and PA friends. We kept in touch and I visited her at FHS. I had just talked to her before her surgery last year, but, unfortunately, did not get up to see her. Our prayers go out to all the friends and family. Jackie Andrews Ashcraft

Jacquelyn Ashcraft - September 02, 2019 at 09:15 AM



“ Mary Ellen was my closest cousin. We lived a mile apart northwest of Larned. She was 3 years younger than myself. In summer time, not a day went by that we begged our mothers to go play at each other's house. We probably got to do it once a week. We were 21 miles from church so we often rode together there on the special occasions. We went to our Grandma Schultz's house & stayed together for the week of Bible School. Sometimes we went to play with our other cousins, Ronda, Debra, & Marla & got in trouble eating berries that stained our clothes. Or we played jacks or played get-away with Grandma's mean dog when the Schultz extended family came to Grandma's.

As we got older, Mary Ellen called me periodically & we talked together for an hour remembering memories or keeping up with what our own children were doing.

Sarah, I am sorry for your loss but know Mary Ellen loved you & your children fiercely. Please let me know when the graveside service will be. We didn't find out soon enough to come tomorrow for the funeral service but might try to come to the graveside. Doug is buried at the Mennonite cemetery too.
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Carol Sue Inghram - September 01, 2019 at 06:34 PM



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Carol Sue Inghram

Carol Sue Inghram - September 01, 2019 at 06:24 PM