



Mary L. Behrends

December 21, 1935 - July 28, 2025

Mary Louise Behrends, 89, of Havana, passed away at 7:19 a.m. on Monday, July 28, 2025 at Arcadia Care Nursing Home in Havana. She was born on December 21, 1935 in Havana to Ralph and Alma (Osing) Vanderveen. She married Deane O. Behrends on August 2, 1959 at St. Paul's Lutheran Church in Havana, and he preceded her in death on January 24, 2015.

Mary is survived by her daughters, Brenda (Steve Fornoff) Davenport-Fornoff, Karen (Chip) Boggs, and Gail (Gale Rampley) Behrends; son, Brian (Lindsey) Behrends; grandchildren, Kyle (Katie) Davenport, Travis (Rachel) Davenport, Ty Fornoff, Cameron (Alexandria) Boggs, Cooper (Taylor Sarnes) Boggs, Landin Behrends, and Taylin Behrends; great-grandchildren, Myles, Klay, Ollie, and Kyler Davenport; and many nieces and nephews. She was preceded in death by her parents; husband; sister, Delores Worner; brother, Don Vanderveen; brother-in-law, Meredith Worner; and son-in-law, Tommy Davenport.

Mary was a member of St. Paul's Lutheran Church in Havana. She enjoyed taking photos, especially of her grandchildren. She ran a daycare and loved the children she babysat. Mary and her husband enjoyed traveling all over the world and camping at Friendship. Most of all, she loved her family and loved spending time with them.

Funeral services will be held on Thursday, July 31, 2025 at 11:00 a.m. at St. Paul's Lutheran Church in Havana, with a visitation two hours prior to the service from 9:00 a.m. until 11:00 a.m. Rev. Ian Henize will officiate. Burial will

follow the service at Laurel Hill Cemetery in Havana.

Memorial donations may be made in Mary's name to the Christian Ducks Learning Pond. Online condolences can be left for her family at www.hurleyfh.com.

Hurley Funeral Home in Havana is in charge of arrangements.

Cemetery Details

Laurel Hill Cemetery

1105 E Laurel Ave
Havana, IL 62644
(309) 543-2986

Previous Events

Visitation

JUL 31. 9:00 AM - 11:00 AM (CT)

St. Paul's Lutheran Church
121 N. Pearl St.
Havana, IL 62644

Funeral Service

JUL 31. 11:00 AM (CT)

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Tribute Wall

HP

“ I’m so sorry to hear of your mother’s passing. I truly admired both your parents and always appreciated their kindness. Mary was so sweet and genuine in her kindness and your father was such a great man to look up to. Please know that all of you are in my prayers.

Harold Percy - August 20, 2025 at 01:29 PM

NT

“ So sorry for your loss. She was such a sweet lady. I went on several trips with her and Deane. My parents were good friends of Ralph and Alma. They were a wonderful family to be with and know.
Nancy Koke Tews

Nancy Koke Tews - August 04, 2025 at 09:29 AM

JK

“ Sorry to hear of Mary's passing, condolences to all the family.

Judy and John Karl - August 01, 2025 at 03:50 PM

CS

“ I am so very sorry for your family's loss. May you be comforted by loving memories of Mary. You are in my thoughts and prayers during this difficult time.

Cyntha Coordes Slavish - July 31, 2025 at 10:28 AM

VF

“ So sorry to hear this, such a sweet lady.
Condolences and prayers to the family.



Velva Fletcher - July 30, 2025 at 11:04 PM

RS

“ Our sincere sympathy to you all. Cherish your many memories.
Darell and Rosanne Sarff

Rosanne Sarff - July 30, 2025 at 10:36 PM

CK

“ I've known Mary for a long time. Enjoyed visiting with her. Prayers to
the family. She will be missed.

Carol Fisk Kolves - July 30, 2025 at 10:07 PM

CB

“ I'm so sorry for your mom's passing. Carol Buchanan

carol buchanan - July 30, 2025 at 07:52 PM

LM

“ I remember Mary bringing me an Optimist dinner when I was
recuperating. She stayed and visited for awhile. I was at Arcadia
next door to her and saw how much she was loved by all the visitors
she had. RIP my sweet thoughtful friend 🙏🙏

linda Meyer - July 30, 2025 at 03:58 PM

PG

“ *Patricua Gilbreath lit a candle in memory of Mary Behrends*



Patricua Gilbreath - July 30, 2025 at 09:42 AM

LH

“ *Larry and Mary Hundt sent a virtual gift in memory of Mary Behrends*



Larry and Mary Hundt - July 30, 2025 at 08:40 AM



“ *Beautiful in Blue was purchased for the family of Mary L. Behrends.*



July 30, 2025 at 07:52 AM

NB

“ *Mary was a very special lady, we will miss her. God's peace to the family. Gary & Nancy Blakely*

Nancy Blakely - July 29, 2025 at 08:14 PM

CH

“ *Lit a candle in memory of Mary L Behrends.
Condolences to all of her family.*



Cheryl Hahn - July 29, 2025 at 08:06 PM

JP

“ *Janice Potter lit a candle in memory of Mary Behrends*



Janice Potter - July 29, 2025 at 07:19 PM

TB

“ *To the Behrends Family. Sending my Condolences and Praying 🙏 and Sending Sympathies to Family and Friends. I worked with Karen in Springfield.*



Tim Clark 1 Bridgeview Beardstown - July 29, 2025 at 07:17 PM

BM

“ *Bob and Lynne McDaniel lit a candle in memory of Mary Behrends*



Bob and Lynne McDaniel - July 29, 2025 at 06:49 PM



“ A [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) was planted in honor of Mary L. Behrends.

July 29, 2025 at 05:22 PM



“ Fiery Lily and Rose was purchased for the family of Mary L. Behrends.



July 29, 2025 at 05:22 PM



“ So very sorry for ypur family's loss! She was defintely one of the best.Great memories.



Lisa Ulrich Thompson - July 29, 2025 at 02:44 PM



“ Trish Hertter-Wojtkiewicz lit a candle in memory of Mary Behrends



Trish Hertter-Wojtkiewicz - July 29, 2025 at 01:42 PM

MB

“ *Mary was a sweetheart. This hurt my heart when I read this. She will be missed. I look back on great fondness watching her take picture of Travis and my son, Jesse. Our condolences to her family.*
Jerry & Marla



Marla Bloyd - July 29, 2025 at 01:17 PM

JF

*Mary was a sweet and kind lady my children went to school with their also
So sorry for your family's loss*

Jeannie Fawcett - July 29, 2025 at 06:23 PM