



Mary Rose Satorius

May 17, 1932 - August 12, 2024

Mary Rose Satorius, 92, of Petersburg, passed away on Monday, August 12, 2024. She was born May 17, 1932, at home in Oakford, Illinois, the daughter of Charles and Pearalee (Justice) Wiseman.

In 1950, she graduated from Harris High School, then attended Illinois State University for one year. She married Dale Hollis Satorius on September 9, 1951. He preceded her in death on December 22, 2023.

Mary was a housewife, farm helper for her husband Dale, and stay-at-home mother until she returned to obtain her education degree at Lincoln Land Community College. She graduated from Sangamon State University with her bachelor's degree in education in 1972 and started teaching the same year at Petersburg Elementary School. She returned to obtain her master's degree, and finally retired in 2001 after 29 years of teaching.

Mary enjoyed gardening and had huge gardens each summer, resulting in canned goods throughout the year. She was an avid seamstress, sewing her children's clothing, homecoming and prom dresses, doll clothes, curtains, and crafts. She loved cooking, baking, and entertaining.

Mary was a member of the local semi-professional women's basketball team, the Oakford Farmerettes, who was inducted into the PORTA Hall of Fame in

2018.

Mary was a member of the Order of the Eastern Star, serving as Worthy Matron. She belonged to the Petersburg Women's Club and served as President for several years. She was a member of the Menard County University Women, serving in various officer roles and as President for several years. She belonged to the Ansarettes, an Ansar Shrine women's group, and the Springfield Symphony Guild. She was a proud member of the DAR.

Mary was a member of the Central Presbyterian Church for over 70 years. She served as a Sunday School teacher, Elder, and Deacon.

Mary and her husband followed PORTA Sports for years.

Mary is survived by her three children, Mark (Debbie) Satorius of Arnold, Maryland, Denise (Mark) Grant of Indiana, Pennsylvania, and Vicki Johnson of Springfield, Illinois; eight grandchildren, Drew (Elaine) Satorius, Rebecca (Jason) Ott, Lauren Johnson, Kyle Johnson, Dane (Grace) Watson, Danielle (Bo) Watson, Derek (Ellie) Watson, and Diana (Tom) Kanyarusoke; eleven great grandchildren, Rudy and Dana Satorius, Kennedy and Sebastian Ott, Hollis Papadopoulos, Ella and Luke Watson, Rhys Watson, Ethan and Drake Watson, and Benjamin Kanyarusoke; A brother, Jake Wiseman; a brother in law, Jim Satorius; a sister in law, Marsha Satorius; and nieces and nephews, Jeff and Rodney Wiseman, Lynn (Gus) Gustison, Jennifer Satorius, Ashley (Matt) Rutz, and Brianne (late nephew, Brian) Satorius; and numerous cousins. Mary was preceded in death by her husband, Dale; a sister-in-law, Marge Wiseman; and nephews Brian and Michael Satorius.

A visitation will be held on Wednesday, August 21, 2024, from 9:00 am to 11:00 am at the Central Presbyterian Church in Petersburg with the funeral service beginning at 11:00 am. Pastor Ryan Edgecombe will be officiating. A

committal service will immediately follow at Rose Hill Cemetery in Petersburg.

Memorial contributions may be made to the PORTA Foundation, PO Box 202, Petersburg, Illinois 62675, or Central Presbyterian Church, 210 W. Douglas Ave, Petersburg, Illinois 62675.

Hurley Funeral Home in Petersburg is assisting Mary's family with arrangements. Please visit Mary's online obituary at hurleyfh.com where you may also share memories and condolences with her family.

Cemetery Details

Rose Hill Cemetery

IL-123
Petersburg, IL 62675
(217) 632-3022

Previous Events

Visitation

AUG 21. 9:00 AM - 11:00 AM (CT)

Central Presbyterian Church of Petersburg
210 W. Douglas
Petersburg, IL 62675

Funeral Service

AUG 21. 11:00 AM (CT)

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Tribute Wall



“ *Peaceful White Lilies Basket was purchased for the family of Mary Rose Satorius.*



August 20, 2024 at 03:15 PM



“ *Jennifer L. purchased the Strength & Solace Spray for the family of Mary Rose Satorius.*



Jennifer L. - August 19, 2024 at 09:50 AM



“ *Sweet Sincerity was purchased for the family of Mary Rose Satorius.*



August 18, 2024 at 11:51 AM



“ *Carol, John and Sarah planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Mary Rose Satorius.*

Carol, John and Sarah - August 18, 2024 at 11:51 AM

AW

“ Sorry for the family’s loss and I will forever remember her as one of the strongest PORTA bluejay parent, teacher, fan and general community activist and supporter

Andy Winkelmann

Andy Winkelmann - August 18, 2024 at 11:27 AM

DG

Thank you so very much, Andy! She was all of those indeed!

Denise Grant - August 19, 2024 at 11:51 AM

GE

“ I've said it before, I will testify to all. Mrs. Satorius could make a mean popcorn ball. Bless her for always bringing them to class to celebrate Denise's birthdays.

G. Mark Ed - August 17, 2024 at 08:00 AM

DG

What a lovely testimony to Mom’s great cooking skills! Thank you so much for sharing!

Denise Grant - August 17, 2024 at 12:53 PM

JL

“ Jake, Jeff, Rodney and Lynn planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Mary Rose Satorius.

Jake, Jeff, Rodney and Lynn - August 16, 2024 at 10:14 AM



“ Peaceful White Lilies Basket was purchased for the family of Mary Rose Satorius.



August 16, 2024 at 10:14 AM



“ Larry And Mary Hundt sent a virtual gift in memory of Mary Rose Satorius



Larry and Mary Hundt - August 16, 2024 at 08:54 AM



“ I’m so sorry for your loss. A fond memory I have of your mom is when we taught kindergarten together in 1997. My room was decorated for a rain forest, complete with a rubber snake hanging on the door knob. One morning I went to school earlier than usual and found that my “snake keeper” had left the snake in the handle. I couldn’t figure out why there was scotch tape all around the knob until my hand was almost touching it...the rubber snake was actually real, but dead! I screamed and then heard laughter from her room. She explained she’d driven over it and wished she’d stopped to get it; so she backed up about a mile just to bring it for me!

Paula Throckmorton - August 15, 2024 at 06:08 PM



What a great memory of our playful mother! Thanks for sharing!

Denise Satorius Grant - August 16, 2024 at 02:36 PM