



Mary O. Linman

October 11, 1936 - September 20, 2020


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This world has lost a lovely woman who is now with her Father, Savior, and dearest Friend. Mary shared her love through many years of music, meals, and hospitality. And we all looked forward to those Mary hugs!

Mary spent most of her childhood in Kingsburg, out on "the island". Being raised with her sister Martha Jane, at their grandparent's house. She often shared great memories of hearing her grandmother's prayers each morning through the walls of her bedroom. Mary knew the Lord early in life, greatly influenced by the prayers of her grandmother. The Lord held her close from then on, blessing her and her sister with special gifts in music.

Her soothing melodies from the piano and organ have blessed many a church service, wedding, funeral, and lately, "home sings" with her friends. She loved playing and you could tell it. For those that experienced the joy in her music, they were even more amazed when they saw her music was in the form of a 3 x 5 card with song titles. She was even known to ask someone to hum a few bars of their favorite tune and she would pick it up and play the whole song including harmony. And special times of sitting at home or laying on the living room floor on a Sunday afternoon with Mary at the piano. Soft, smooth, and from the heart.

She began her family with two children, Kristine and Kevin; raising them in Madera, California. She often shared the stories of dragging the kids along to church so she could practice the organ or play the piano for a church service or wedding. She shared her love through the years and after losing her husband, she sheltered herself at home; praying and reading her Bible. Though not looking, she found love again and married Russ Linman almost 20 years ago.

Mary and Russ enjoyed retirement years with trips to the mountains, Alaska, Hawaii, and then their favorite place  home. Mary made a beautiful home and life for her and Russ. Anyone with the privilege of sharing in their hospitality was immediately family. And if you slept in their back bedroom (Krissy's room) you knew you were in the finest bed and breakfast around. Quiet pool and restful garden patio were all you needed in the morning to accompany the smell of coffee and breakfast.

The last few years, Mary daily lived with the pain of her body not working like she wanted it to. But that never stopped her. Family would often tell her to sit down, but she knew that she had to keep serving because that is what her Lord wanted her to do.

We all miss her dearly. But with great joy, know that she is giving her Lord Jesus Christ the biggest "Mary hug" ever.

Viewing will be held from 3:00 PM - 7:00 PM Monday, September 28th, 2020 at Salser & Dillard Creighton Chapel, 1588 Lincoln Street, Kingsburg. A Graveside services will be held 11:00 AM Tuesday, September 29th, 2020 at Kingsburg Cemetery, 12782 E. Clarkson Avenue, Kingsburg.

Services have been entrusted to Salser & Dillard Creighton Chapel. Memorial

Tributes and condolences may be offered by logging onto www.salseranddillard.com.

Previous Events

Viewing

SEP **28.** 3:00 PM - 7:00 PM (PT)

Salser & Dillard Creighton Chapel
1588 Lincoln Street
Kingsburg, CA 93631
(559) 897-2908
<https://www.creightonchapel.com>

Graveside

SEP **29.** 11:00 AM - 12:00 PM (PT)

Kingsburg Cemetery
12782 E. Clarkson Avenue
Kingsburg, CA 93631

Tribute Wall



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