



Mary Lou Hudgins

December 3, 2024

Mary Lou Hudgins, 79, of Suffolk, VA, passed away on December 3, 2024. A devoted wife, mother, grandmother, and great grandmother, Mary Lou will be remembered for the love she had for her Lord and Savior Jesus Christ.

Mary Lou met Ray, the love of her life, in 1961 and they married 3 months later. They celebrated 63 years together on Thanksgiving Day 2024. Together they raised their two daughters, and Mary Lou dedicated herself to being the best wife and mother she could be. Mary Lou loved to travel with her family, and especially loved camping. Mary Lou and Ray were Lifetime members of FCRV. Through their travels, Mary Lou and her family crossed the United States many times, often including extended family and friends on these trips. Mary Lou was an avid reader, skilled seamstress, knitter, and crocheter—talents she passed on to her daughters—and she was also a wonderful cook.

Recently, Mary Lou and Ray worked at Busch Gardens in Williamsburg, VA for over 10 years. Between this and their travels, they made friends with many people from all over the world.

Mary Lou is predeceased by her parents in love, Rupert and Elizabeth Hudgins, a sister, Betty Campbell, and several other family members.

Mary Lou is survived by her husband, Ray Hudgins, daughters, Marylynn Harvey and husband Dickie, and Karen Raye Hall and husband Claude,

grandchildren, Elysia Huber and husband Ben, Bonnie Gibson and husband Ryan, Phillip Hall and wife Lily, great-grandson, Liam Gibson. She is also survived by many nieces, nephews and extended family.

Visitation will be at Loving Funeral Home on Tuesday from 5:30-7pm. A funeral service will be held on Wednesday 12 noon, at Loving Funeral Home, officiated by Pastor Joe Noreau.

In lieu of flowers, donations may be sent to Sweethaven Baptist Church, building fund or The American Cancer Society.

Previous Events

Visitation

DEC 10. 5:30 PM - 7:00 PM (ET)

Loving Funeral Home Churchland Chapel
3225 Academy Ave
Portsmouth, VA 23703

Funeral Service

DEC 11. 12:00 PM (ET)

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Portsmouth, VA 23703

Burial

DEC 12. 11:00 AM (ET)

Graveside Olive Branch Cemetery
Clifford St. & City Park Ave.CPL James Williams Ave
Portsmouth, VA

Tribute Wall

DK

“ Dennis and Kathy planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Mary Lou Hudgins.

Dennis and Kathy - December 11, 2024 at 11:14 AM

DK

“ Dennis and Kathy purchased the Sweet Tenderness for the family of Mary Lou Hudgins.

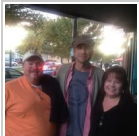


Dennis and Kathy - December 11, 2024 at 11:14 AM

WE

“ Oh Mary how I'm sure going to miss your sweet soul and presence. It was my sincere pleasure to have been able to take care of you the past few years anytime you and Ray came in to eat. You became family to me and I'm sure going to miss you.

Wendy Ervin - December 11, 2024 at 09:26 AM



“ Deepest condolences Marylynn, Karen Raye, and families. I was so very blessed to grow up around the small covey of the influences of your mom and dad, Doll, and Pop.

Kevin Carter - December 09, 2024 at 10:39 PM

RH

Thanks Kevin

Ray Marylou Hudgins - January 16, 2025 at 05:02 PM



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

December 09, 2024 at 07:55 PM



“ Divine Peace Bouquet was purchased for the family of Mary Lou Hudgins.



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“ A Full Life was purchased for the family of Mary Lou Hudgins.



December 09, 2024 at 03:14 PM



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

December 09, 2024 at 10:59 AM



“ Peaceful White Lilies Basket was purchased for the family of Mary Lou Hudgins.



December 09, 2024 at 10:59 AM

DS

“ *Mary will be greatly missed. She was such a help to Mama after her breast cancer surgery. She was such a sweet and generous women.*

Denise Semones Seamster - December 08, 2024 at 10:08 PM

CN

“ *Mr. Hudgins and Family:*

Please accept our deepest condolences. Mrs. Hudgins was such a lovely lady and was always smiling. We will all carry a part of that joy with us due to the impact she had on all who had the privilege of being around her.

Chris and Brittany Nein

Christopher Daniel Nein - December 08, 2024 at 09:27 PM

JR

“ *1 file added to the tribute wall*



James R. - December 08, 2024 at 06:25 PM

RH

“ *Ray and family, Denise and I are so sorry to read about the passing of Mary. She was a kind soul. May the Lord wrap his arms of peace and comfort around you all during this difficult time. RIP Mary*

Ron and Denise Harris - December 08, 2024 at 08:31 AM

FM

“ Mary was the kindest and sweetest woman I have ever known. I'll never forget when I graduated from nursing school and the administration (purposely or not) did not have my nursing pin but had everyone else's. 💔 We went to Friendly's to have ice cream afterwards and Mary stood up and presented me with a little American flag pin 🇺🇸 she must've had her purse or the truck. I still have it and it's one of my most treasured possessions! ❤️ My family will always remember the wonderful camping adventures our families took together! I know His way is perfect, though we may not always understand. Heartfelt condolences and may the Lord bless you and your family with His grace and peace. I love you all!

Felicia Woolard Mettler

Felicia Mettler - December 07, 2024 at 03:19 PM

KR

Karen rugarber

Mary was a wonderful person . There are so many memories of camping with the whole family for years. Great days, and the one thing that she always did is make sure my mom was ok. She was the best friend to my mom, and the whole family. She will forever be in our hearts . Love you Mary.

Karen

karen rugarber - December 07, 2024 at 05:32 PM