



Mary Catherine Bowen

September 5, 1965 - August 8, 2021

Mary Catherine Bowen of Salem, Missouri passed away in Springfield, Missouri on Sunday, August 08, 2021, at the age of fifty-five. She was born in St. Louis, Missouri on September 5, 1965, to the late Frederick Bowen, Sr., and Jane (Doyle) Bowen.

Mary attended college at the University of Missouri in Kirksville, Missouri and graduated with a bachelor's degree in agriculture and a minor in equine science. She worked as a healthcare worker in Phelps County for the last thirty years; she worked at the St. James nursing home, the Missouri Veterans Home, Phelps County Home Health and most recently at Phelps Health Hospital for the last nineteen years. She was an avid animal lover who loved to travel and spend time with her friends. She will be greatly missed by all that knew and loved her.

Mary was preceded in death by her father.

In addition to her mother, Jane Bowen, Mary is survived by, sisters, Barbara A. Bowen of Lemay, Missouri and Jean (John) Myslinski of Salem, Missouri; brother, Frederick A. Bowen of Lemay, Missouri; nieces, Sharon L. Bowen of Rogers, Arkansas, Christina (Nicole) Bowen of Springfield, Missouri and Megan M. Myslinski of Salem, Missouri; nephew, John F. Myslinski of Salem, Missouri; great-nephews, Kevin C. Bowen of Lemay, Missouri and Damian B. Acheson of Lemay, Missouri; great-niece, Vivyan Duran of Rogers, Arkansas; a host of extended family and friends.

A Memorial Service for Mary Bowen will be held at 4:00PM on Friday, August

13, 2021, at the Rolla Chapel of the James and Gahr Mortuary, Rolla, Missouri. A visitation will be held prior to the service from 2:00PM until service time at 4:00PM also at the Rolla Chapel of the James and Gahr Mortuary, Rolla, Missouri. Memorials are suggested to The American Cancer Society or the Alzheimer's Association. Cards are available at all James and Gahr locations.

Previous Events

Visitation

AUG 13. 2:00 PM - 4:00 PM (CT)

James & Gahr Mortuary - Rolla
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Tribute Wall



“ *Mary Catherine Bowen*

January 30, 2023 at 04:37 AM



“ *Mary Catherine Bowen*

January 30, 2023 at 02:54 AM



“ *I worked with Mary for 7 seven years early in my career as a nurse. She was practical and devoted to caring for her patients. She will be greatly missed by many, her light is shining for Jesus now. I pray for peace for the family who has a big hole in there heart right now. God bless each and everyone of you. Sharon*

Sharon Hamilton - August 12, 2021 at 08:04 PM



“ *Country Basket Blooms was purchased for the family of Mary Catherine Bowen.*



August 12, 2021 at 02:47 PM

SC

“ I loved getting to spend weekends with you at Phelps Health for the last five years. I always looked forward to your very detailed recaps of shows/movies you have watched that week with gut-busting laughter, hearing what joys you had with your mother, and of course going to our breakfast Club every Monday morning where you always thought to bring a meal home for your mama.

I cherished being apart of “the A-team” with you, Kris, and Sandy. The inside jokes were hilarious; I’m sure your family is still curious about why there are so many rabbit and Burt Reynolds gifts but those moments you opened them were true treasures...of extreme laughter.

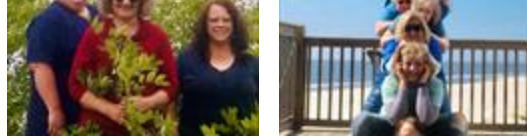
I loved our other memories away from work as well: kayaking (especially that one time you got the duck to follow us over to our picnic), dancing at Wyss wedding (so glad I got a picture of you getting your groove on), and going to watch drag races where even there you found a way to make me laugh as we watched the man I love (well you loved him too in a maternal way) speed wildly down the track. Laughter was your gift to the world and no one could make funny expressions and sound effects like you. My all time favorite was the impression of Mr. Turtle, haha!

You will be missed greatly and I am thankful to God for the years you graced this earth. You were an Angel, always caring for others. I pray for peace in your family’s life and the “B-team” left here on earth will carry on your memory at work with those we care for.

I love you my dear friend Mary,

Sara





Sara Cook - August 12, 2021 at 12:05 PM



“ Sweet Tenderness was purchased for the family of Mary Catherine Bowen.



August 11, 2021 at 06:02 PM



“ I was blessed to be Mary's friend. So many memories of working together, you always knew a shift would be okay if she was there. For the last 5 years we'd taken an annual trip with my daughter and another friend. So much laughter and fun. We had so many trips left to take. We were even going to go to the pony round-up on Chincoteague and Assateague Islands and each of us bring a pony home. Ireland was planned, Alaska as well. I am so glad to have so many pictures and wonderful memories. She truly was one in a million. I will hold her dear in my heart forever. Kristen Wyss

Kristen Wyss - August 10, 2021 at 10:54 PM



I liked to joke I was your best friend but there isn't any doubt it was Mary, hugs!! Just thinking about you two makes me laugh, you two should have done a stand-up routine. Love you Millie

Sara Cook - August 12, 2021 at 12:43 PM

DV

Met Mary 13 yrs ago at Phelps Health. Worked 10 great years with her. Work was always better with her there. Appreciated her realness. Such a precious person inside and out. Lots of fun and pranks and work. She loved her family so much. She held her friends close, and had a special place for animals and a great knowledge of them. I will miss knowing she will not be here to see and talk with. Prayers to her family

DD Vandivort - August 13, 2021 at 02:58 PM