



Mary Conte Shafer

September 18, 1938 - May 6, 2020

Mary was born in Pennsylvania and worked for AT&T in Wayne before moving to California in her 20s. She continued her work at the phone company which later became Pacific Telesis and retired after 31 years, in 1988. Mary had a deep love of animals and enjoyed traveling and spending time with friends and family.

She was preceded in death by her spouse, Stuart E. Shafer in 2005, parents John F. Conte and Nora C. Conte, and sister, Florence C. Hannum.

She is survived by her siblings, Patrick A. Conte (Marie), Joanne Cugini (Daniel), brother-in-law Charles Hannum, nieces Amy Madden (James), Teresa Allegretto (Rebecca), Krista Trainer (Patrick), and nephews John Hannum, Brian T. Conte (Gina), David Hannum (Eileen), Michael Cugini (Kelly), Charles Hannum Jr., Daniel Cugini Jr. (Jennfier) and many great nieces and great nephews.

To ensure the health and safety of our community, we are following all guidelines set by local, state and CDC officials. A private memorial service for the family will be held at 10:30am on June 5, 2020 at Skylawn Memorial Park in San Mateo, California.

In lieu of flowers, donations to St. Jude Children's Hospital, 262 Danny Thomas Place, Memphis, TN 38105 or to Best Friends Animal Society (bestfriends.org), would be appreciated.

Cemetery

Skylawn Funeral Home & Memorial Park

100 Lifemark Rd

San Mateo, CA, 94062-4592

Comments



“ Mary was one of my good friends for any years and we talked regularly; she was a good phone pal and every week we chatted and got an update on what was going on in our lives.

Mary lived around the corner from me and I would visit with my dog Lily Mae. My dog knows where all the sweet, kind people live and she would immediately pull me up toward Mary's door because there was always a doggie treat.

Mary had intelligence, wit, charm and a caring heart. She always spoke lovingly about her family. I have lost a dear friend. My heartfelt sympathy to the family. God Bless you, Mary and may you Rest In Peace.

Kind Regard & Sympathy,
Constance (Connie) Quirk Cohen
Burlingame, California



Constance Quirk Cohen - May 21, 2020 at 05:04 PM



“ Lily Mae at Mary's door - May 2020

Constance Quirk Cohen - May 21, 2020 at 05:06 PM



“ My heart is still weighing heavy as I first learned of Mary's passing. She was first a colleague and a very close friend for many years of my mom. Over time she became a friend to me as well. We both shared the love of pets (cats and dogs) and also exchanged great plants for our gardens. Over the last few years we did not get together so much but I will remember Christmas Eve's, Easters, and other Holidays that she, my mom, and I shared. I thank God I got to visit with her a few months ago. I had visited her many times when she was hospitalized on other occasions but most of all I wish I could have been there the one last time. Because of her very strong connection with God and her faith I do believe he was with her to help her home and meet up with Stu. Mary was loved and will be missed by many. We love you our friend, Mary!

Mary and Joanne Del Bene

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“ I have so so many fond memories of Aunt Mary over the past 20 years. My favorite memory was taking the limo up to the wine country and spending the day wine tasting with her. She fell asleep on the way home. :) There were countless walks into downtown Burlingame, lunches, dinners, talks. I am going to miss her so much. -
Becky

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