



## Mary Jo Lovett

December 28, 1949 - April 2, 2020

Mary Jo Lovett, 70 of Rush County, passed away on April 2, 2020 in Rush County. She was born on December 28, 1949 in New Castle, IN to Alton and Lucretia (Oldham) Gordon. Mary Jo was a 1968 graduate of Rushville High School and a 1972 graduate of Indiana University where she received her Bachelor's Degree in Physical Therapy. She married James R. Lovett on June 9, 1979 and he survives. Mary Jo is a member of Raleigh Christian Church. She enjoyed time spent with her family, and most of all her grandchildren. Mary Jo loved horses, traveling, and working as a Physical Therapist which she did for over 42 years. She began her career at Parkview Hospital in Fort Wayne, IN from 1972-1979. She then moved to Bangor, Maine where she worked at the Elizabeth Levinson Center. She returned to Indiana and began working for East Central Special Services from 1980-1991. Mary Jo finished her career at Ball Memorial Pediatric Rehab from 1991-2014.

In addition to her husband, James, she is survived by her sons, Benjamin (Debbie Kuhn) Lovett of Fishers, IN and Zachary (Kendra McClure) Lovett of Fishers, IN; and sister, Ruth (Tom) Armstrong of Indianapolis, IN. She will be missed by her 7 grandchildren, Olivia Lovett, Alaina Lovett, Shay Lovett, Myles Lovett, Landen McClure, Elijah McClure, and Bryce DeLong. Mary Jo was preceded in death by her parents and sister, Betty Foley.

Graveside Services will be private at Raleigh Cemetery, with Pastor Tony Augsburger presiding. Memorial contributions may be made to Raleigh

Christian Church or Community North Cancer Center in Indianapolis. Moster Mortuary has been entrusted with Mary Jo's services.

# Tribute Wall



“ *Mary Jo Lovett*

January 28, 2023 at 12:19 PM



“ *Mary Jo was an amazing person, boss, and physical therapist! She taught me so much about pediatric physical therapy, caring for one another, and loving what you do. She will be greatly missed!! My sincere condolences on the loss of a wonderful women. Debbie Hunley*

**Debbie Hunley** - April 08, 2020 at 08:53 PM



“ *Mary Jo Lovett was one of the dearest Christian women that we have ever known. In the years our boys were in Boy Scouts together, and beyond, we learned to love her and her family. She was kind and generous, always looking out for the welfare of her children and their friends and whomever God put in her path. She was kind, generous, and loving. She had a servant's heart; so much like Jesus. Her laugh was contagious, her smile could melt your heart. Her words were thoughtful and full of grace. Hers was a life well lived. God bless her husband, Jim, and their children, and grandchildren. We will be praying for all of you. We are so sorry for your loss of this beautiful wife, mother, grandmother, and friend. Love, Paul and Mary Wilkinson*

**Paul and Mary Wilkinson** - April 07, 2020 at 03:26 PM

SA

“ Sara purchased the Arrive in Style for the family of Mary Jo Lovett.



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**Sara** - April 07, 2020 at 12:54 PM

SB

“ Mary Jo was a wonderful Christian lady I have known almost all my life. Church, school, school bus, 4-H, Vacation Bible School, Pastel Seven, church choir, Former Raleigh School Students and Raleigh School Reunions. So many good times! May God Bless Jim, Faith, Ruth and the rest of her family. Hugs and Prayers! Shirley Huston Biehl

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**Shirley Biehl** - April 05, 2020 at 08:17 PM

CL

“ Mary Jo was a dear friend in elementary & junior high school. We shared some good times in our mutual interest with horses & riding. We rode the bus together and, since we were the last to get off, often entertained ourselves with endless card games.

Mary Jo seemed to exude warmth & sincerity and always with a smile. I am certain she was good at her job of physical therapy. My sincere condolences to Jim & their family. She will be missed!



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**Carolyn Poer Lockman** - April 04, 2020 at 10:51 PM

SH

Ruth and family, so sorry to hear this! Mary Jo was always so calm, sweet and giving! You now have another Guardian angel to watch over you. Love and prayers! Susan Howard

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**Susan Howard** - April 05, 2020 at 08:22 PM



“ *Fairest of All was purchased for the family of Mary Jo Lovett.*



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April 04, 2020 at 04:15 PM



“ *Nothing but good memories and smiles with Mary Jo. She is fondly remembered. Our sympathy to Jim and family. Becky and George Morris*

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**Becky Morris** - April 04, 2020 at 10:40 AM



“ *Michele Heck lit a candle in memory of Mary Jo Lovett*



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**Michele Heck** - April 04, 2020 at 08:57 AM



*I had the privilege of working with Mary Jo both at East Central and Ball Memorial. She was a caring therapist and a respected team member and leader. Our condolences and prayers for comfort to Jim and the family. Michele and Dane.*

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**Michele Heck** - April 04, 2020 at 09:00 AM



“ *Mary Jo had such a sweet heart and sole. She was always happy and smiling. I will miss seeing her at church.*

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**Debbie Briar** - April 03, 2020 at 10:02 PM

SF

“ *Amazing woman. I was honored to work with her in the NICU at Ball Memorial. Praying for your family.*

Sindee Fry - April 03, 2020 at 08:48 PM

GA

“ *My sincerest & deepest condolences to the Lovett family. I had the privilege of working with Mary Jo for several years & I will always remember her caring heart & spirit that will have a lasting impact on many rehab therapy professionals and the children that they served.*

Gregg Altobella - April 03, 2020 at 07:31 PM

BV

“ *MaryJo, I am so glad to have known you. You were always a joy to be around. One of those Raleigh girls!!! love barb Schneider VanSickle.*



Barbara VanSickle - April 03, 2020 at 07:03 PM

SK

“ *I will always remember Mary Jo's cheerful "calm and steady" approach as our leader during my time as a Peds Rehab speech therapist. She truly cared for the children we served and she helped to make that our priority also. Her dedication to her profession and her genuine personality are a beautiful part of her legacy.*  
*Sue Kuphall*

Sue Kuphall - April 03, 2020 at 07:02 PM

MM

*I was blessed to work with Mary Jo since 1992 at Peds Rehab. She and I were the M&M sisters (PT-OT) she was a delight to work with and provided a level of excellence in her treatment that allowed her patient's to feel a true "healing touch" and her co-workers to feel they were an integral part of the team. After Mary Jo retired we would get together for coffee every few months so she could keep track of all her therapists she left behind at Peds. She was a loving and caring friend, and a true lover of children. Rest In Peace my friend you are gone but not forgotten, IU Health Ball Pediatric Rehab is your legacy.*  
*Mary Anne McCaslin*

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**Mary Anne McCaslin** - April 03, 2020 at 10:16 PM

SE

*I was blessed to have many Raleigh friends and Mary Jo was one of them. She always had a smile for everyone, and was always ready to lend a hand to help. Our hearts go out to the families which I know she cherished. We will be praying for the days ahead for comfort for all*

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**Susan (Hickman) Engle** - April 05, 2020 at 11:46 PM