



Mary Kight

April 4, 1947 - November 6, 2020

Mary Kight was born in April 1947 and raised in Northeast Texas on a family farm, complete with chickens, hogs, and cattle. An extremely competitive person from the get-go and one who enjoyed challenges, Mary was very active in high school, participating in everything available, including band, basketball, volleyball, Future Homemakers, and yearbook staff.

From there, in 1964, at age 17, she attended The University of Texas at Austin, graduating with a BBA in Business Education in 1968. She thoroughly enjoyed her college years, and the friends she made there were lifelong ones. (She also loved to point out that not everyone who went to school at UT was wild and crazy and was fortunate to have friends with a very strong moral compass.)

Mary and her husband Charles were introduced through a mutual friend at UT and were married in 1967. As newlyweds, Mary worked and supported Charles while he finished his MBA and entered the Air Force. She always referred to this time with great reverence – a financially challenging and busy time, full of hard work, but one she wouldn't have traded for anything.

She had her first two children, Amanda, then Bryan, when Charles was in the Air Force, and then Amy came along in 1979. The family moved to San Antonio in 1973 and lived there until moving to New Braunfels in 2010, when

Charles retired.

Throughout her working life, Mary excelled at a variety of occupations. She taught kindergarten, taught business courses, served as a substitute teacher, and started her own transcription business. Even though she was very successful professionally, she considered her role as mother and caretaker her biggest and most important job, always prioritizing her family's needs above her own. She also volunteered as a PTA officer, Band Booster officer, and did just about anything else the schools asked her to do.

Mary was a font of knowledge on any and every subject matter, be it fixing an air conditioner, identifying animal scat, or repairing a fraught relationship. She was a dead-eye shot with a BB gun, had a memory like a steel trap, and lived her life treating all living things with kindness and compassion.

Mary was a person of enormous faith and indomitable spirit. She spent many years active in church, teaching preschool and Vacation Bible School, and doing anything else that needed doing. She shared a deep passion for women's advocacy, children's healthcare, and the democratic process. She was always willing to lend a hand to anyone in need.

In her later years, Mary enjoyed reading, gardening, cooking, travel, water aerobics, wildlife watching in her yard, and visiting national parks. All of these loves and a deep appreciation for life she shared with her beloved grandchildren. She was, in so many ways, the world's greatest grandmother.

Mary Kight died suddenly, at home, on November 6, 2020, after complications from a recent surgery. She is survived by Charles, her husband of 52 years, her three children and their spouses, six grandchildren (ages 5 to 22 years old), a very loyal dog, and a cantankerous cat. She was deeply loved by her family and friends and will be profoundly missed.

We love you, Mom!

SERVICE

A Private Interment will be on Thursday, November 12, 2020 at Mission Burial Park North. In lieu of flowers, the family requests that you consider a donation to School Fuel San Marcos: <https://www.schoolfuelsanmarcos.org/>

Cemetery Details

Mission Burial Park North

20900 IH 10 West
San Antonio, TX 78257

Tribute Wall

TU

“ Bryon and Amy Turner are shocked and saddened to hear of Mary’s death. We met Mary and Charles at FBC San Marcos. She and Charles studied with us in Bible Study and Mary was such a willing helper with meals. She had a warm, caring spirit. She was also never afraid to share her view, but always in a kind way. We are praising God she is with the Lord and we are lifting her family in prayer to help them through this difficult time. May God’s peace comfort all.

Turner - November 12, 2020 at 04:50 PM

MC

“ My deepest condolences go to the Kight family today. I have fond memories of playing at your house with Amy when I was little, and will always remember the warm and welcoming home that Mrs. Kight made for everyone! As an adult, it was always a pleasure to get to see Mary and Charles again. I will miss her and I know she will leave a big hole in the hearts of everyone who knew and loved her. Love and light, from the Benham Family- Misty Benham Chioffe



Misty Benham Chioffe - November 12, 2020 at 01:01 PM



“ Emerald Garden Basket was purchased for the family of Mary Kight.



November 11, 2020 at 04:40 PM

ME

“ 1 file added to the tribute wall



Mary Martin Eisel - November 11, 2020 at 04:26 PM

MH

“ Oh, I am so sad. I learned of Mary's passing in the E-N Obituaries, and was flooded with fond memories of our college days and early marriages together. It's been too long.

You know that Chris passed away in 2002 of a sudden heart attack. I married Charles Howard in 2007, and we have a good life in San Antonio. Please know that my thoughts and prayers are with you, and I certainly understand how shocking a sudden, unexpected death can be. I will be making a contribution to School Fuel San Marcos.

*Your OLD friend,
Mary Jane Bowers Howard*

Mary Jane Howard - November 11, 2020 at 01:03 PM

ME

“ Dear Charles and family,
It is with great sadness that I have learned the news of Mary's sudden passing.
Mary was a special person. She was always trying to mend family fences. I loved her when I was married to her brother and I have loved her to this day. Sometimes we don't always get what we expect from life, but she always made the best out of everything. I know she will be missed by so many who knew and loved her. Please accept our sympathy from both Clint and myself.
Sincerely,
Mary Martin Eisel.
Addison, Pennsylvania

Mary Frances Martin Eisel - November 11, 2020 at 12:42 PM



“ Beautiful in Blue was purchased for the family of Mary Kight.

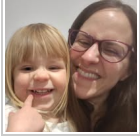


November 11, 2020 at 12:10 AM

JW

“ We send our deepest sympathy to Charles and family. May you find peace in the many shared memories in the days ahead. Love and prayers, Judy and Ken Wallis

Judy Wallis - November 10, 2020 at 04:13 PM



“ Charles and family, I am very sorry for your loss. Mary was very kind to me when I saw her at the Health Collaborative events or when I visited you in your home in New Braunfels. I remember she was very proud to show off the picture of you and her from 50 years ago that is in the hallway close to the entrance of your home. May you find healing in the lifetime of memories you shared with this beautiful and strong woman. May she rest in peace.

Caroline Bergeron

Caroline Bergeron - November 10, 2020 at 03:17 PM



“ Though Aunt Mary wasn't my aunt, she sure did seem like it. Anytime I was at a Howell function and she was there, I always felt a little happier because of how fun it was to talk with her. Thinking about it now, one of the reasons why she was a great conversationalist was because she asked thoughtful questions and listened to your answers. That is a skill I'd like to work on, because she always made me feel welcomed, with her warmth and heart through those conversations. She had a great sense of humor and a quick wit. I know Dennis and I will miss her. Thank you Aunt Mary, and I pray for comfort for all of her family and friends.

Jenny (Garland) Gray - November 10, 2020 at 02:23 PM



“ Aunt Mary was an amazing, strong, thoughtful, kind, and generous person. She wasn't my aunt officially but she was my Aunt Mary. She was always there when I needed her and I ever heard her say no. I will miss her but will always have fond memories of Aunt Mary.

Ceci Perez - November 09, 2020 at 11:57 PM



“ *Mary, we will always remember your wonderful laugh and your ability to find humor in any situation.*

You will always be a special person and we will see you again in

Glory 🙏🙏🙏

Phil and Jeanette

Jeanette Johnson - November 09, 2020 at 10:37 PM



“ *1 file added to the album Memories Album*



Mission Park Funeral Chapels & Cemetery - November 08, 2020 at 05:39 PM