



Mary Ann McClurg

September 1, 1949 - October 20, 2025

Mary McClurg, 76, of Spirit Lake passed away at her home on Monday, October 20, 2025.

A Mass of Christian Burial will be held at 10:30 AM on Friday, October 24, 2025, at St. Mary's Catholic Church in Spirit Lake. Visitation will be held one hour prior to the service on Friday at the church. Burial will be held in the St. Margarets Cemetery in Spirit Lake. Arrangements are under the direction of the Robinson Funeral Home in Spirit Lake. Online condolences may be left at www.spiritlakefuneralhome.com

Mary Ann McClurg, daughter of Duard and Evelyn (Kuhn) McClurg was born in Spirit Lake, Iowa on September 1, 1949. She attended Spirit Lake School from K through 12, graduating in 1967. After high school, she attended a business college in Sioux Falls, SD and returned to Spirit Lake in 1969 and worked at the Spirit Lake School.

In 1975, she moved to California. She was first employed at Daniel Freeman Hospital in Inglewood, CA and then worked at Saint Joseph Medical Center from 1979 until 1995, when she returned to Spirit Lake. She began working at Dickinson County Hospital (Lakes Regional Healthcare) in 1996. She retired in 2015.

Mary enjoyed gathering with her classmates for monthly breakfasts, gardening, and baking. She was an avid reader, especially books about the Iowa Great Lakes history. A loyal Spirit Lake Indians football fan, she also cheered for the Iowa Hawkeyes. Mary was a devoted member and volunteer at St. Mary's Catholic Church in Spirit Lake, where she found great joy in serving others. She always looked forward to when her great nephews, Adam Wurr (Sarah) and family of Saint Louis, MO and Mitch Sangl (Taryn) of Bozeman MT would come to visit her.

She is survived by her sister Karen Sangl (Lonney) of Wahpeton; a niece, Julie Wurr (Bill) of Laurens IA; nephew Keith Sangl of Spirit Lake nephew Dan McClurg of Spirit Lake; niece Susan Lynn (Todd) of Spirit Lake and a niece Sandra McClurg of Estherville. Plus many great nephews and great nieces plus great-great nieces and great-great nephews.

She was preceded in death by her parents, her brother Edward Carlyle McClurg and his wife Karen (Mortiz) McClurg, her niece Melissa Sebastian and great-nephew Spencer Wurr.

In lieu of flowers, memorials may be given to St Mary's Church.

Cemetery Details

St. Margaret's Cemetery

Spirit Lake, IA 51360

Previous Events

Visitation

OCT **24.** 9:30 AM - 10:30 AM (CT)

St. Mary's Catholic Church
1005 Hill Ave.
Spirit Lake, IA 51360
<http://www.stmarysspiritlake.org>

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Tribute Wall



“ *Robinson Funeral Home created a Tribute Video in memory of Mary Ann McClurg*



Robinson Funeral Home - October 21, 2025 at 03:16 PM

RS

I'm heartbroken 💔 to hear this, Mary was a classmate of mine at SL School, through out Grade school and High-school. I really enjoyed visiting with her when I had the chance, I will miss this sweet girl 😭 God Bless Mary's Memory 🙏 Thoughts and Prayers are with Her Family

Ruth Shaffer-Albrant - October 23, 2025 at 08:03 PM

AD

“ *I am so saddened to hear of the passing of my dear friend Mary. We worked together at St. Joseph Medical Center in California for many years. She was loved and respected by all. She was a special friend and was always there for me. I am going to miss the exchange of birthday and Christmas cards with Mary. God bless her soul. Love you Mary! 🙏💔*

Ali Dekanich - January 06 at 08:09 PM

JC

“ Jeff & Linda (Butcher) Christoffer sent a virtual gift in memory of Mary Ann McClurg



Jeff & Linda (Butcher) Christoffer - October 24, 2025 at 09:04 AM

LP

“ Lori Pfeifer lit a candle in memory of Mary Ann McClurg



Lori Pfeifer - October 23, 2025 at 09:24 PM

JT

“ Joann Taggart lit a candle in memory of Mary Ann McClurg



Joann Taggart - October 23, 2025 at 03:05 PM

JG

“ Janine Gapinski lit a candle in memory of Mary Ann McClurg



Janine Gapinski - October 22, 2025 at 10:23 PM

CG

“ Sorry for your loss, Mary had a great sense of humor and really enjoyed her job at DCMH/LRH. She will be missed.



Connie Gossman - October 22, 2025 at 10:01 PM



“ Country Basket Blooms was purchased for the family of Mary Ann McClurg.



October 22, 2025 at 01:11 PM

KW

“ Kristie Wintz sent a virtual gift in memory of Mary Ann McClurg



Kristie Wintz - October 22, 2025 at 01:08 PM

GB

“ Greg & Dee Baloun lit a candle in memory of Mary Ann McClurg



Greg & Dee Baloun - October 22, 2025 at 12:35 PM

DB

“ Sending prayers and sympathy to your family

Dayle Brooks



Dayle Brooks - October 22, 2025 at 12:12 PM

BE

“ *Mary will be greatly missed in our neighborhood, church and especially in Catholic Daughters. She did everything with great care and excellence. LRH was in safe hands when she was at the switchboard on evening shift. Rest in peace Mary.*



Bob and Mary Emgarten - October 21, 2025 at 09:41 PM

ST

“ *Stacy Thompson lit a candle in memory of Mary Ann McClurg*



Stacy Thompson - October 21, 2025 at 09:34 PM

DB

“ *I worked with Mary at LRH, she was so sweet. Rest easy Mary*



Debbie Bahr - October 21, 2025 at 08:43 PM

GS

“ We were saddened to hear of Mary Ann's passing. My mother said she always considered Mary Ann, Karen, & Carlyle as her siblings; instead of her first cousins, since she was an only child. My family enjoyed several years celebrating birthdays & Holidays together with the McClurgs. We always enjoyed sharing Christmas cards & letters with Mary Ann to keep us up-to-date with each other's lives. Blessings & Love to all the McClurgs



Greg & Barb (Goodell) Stephanie

Greg & Barb Stephanie - October 21, 2025 at 03:00 PM

CL

“ Sorry to hear of Mary passing. She was a great person!



Connie Lange - October 21, 2025 at 02:21 PM

PR

“ So sorry to hear about Mary's passing. I met her when I started teaching at 6th grade in 1972. She was a stable at the administrative office. We went to many games together. Prayers to her family.



Peggy Rick - October 21, 2025 at 02:09 PM

KK

“ I will miss my dear friend, Mary.. We have had wonderful memories and she will always have a special place in my heart.. We met in that old 1914 school bldg... She was an administrative secretary and I was a new 6th grade teacher here in Spirit Lake. We had years of being best friends and she will never be forgotten ..



Karen Krieger - October 21, 2025 at 02:01 PM

KS

“ So sorry to hear of Mary’s passing. She was the glue that held the class of 1967 together. Always planning our monthly breakfast gatherings and keeping everyone up on news of our classmates. Mary will be greatly missed.



Kay Swenson - October 21, 2025 at 01:41 PM

CR

I had no idea that Mary had passed away. I just ran across the obituary...so sorry to hear this and Kay was right. Mary was the glue that held the class together. I enjoyed being part of their class reunions even after Jim passed away. She and Jim and all the classmates that have gone on before can enjoy Heaven together until we all meet again! May God bless Mary’s family with precious memories.

Charlene Radcliffe - November 05, 2025 at 11:38 AM

CA

“ Karen and family, I will keep you and your family in our prayers asking for comfort and peace. Cheryl Aumer



Cheryl Aumer - October 21, 2025 at 01:01 PM