



Mary Lou Corlett

September 25, 1930 - February 1, 2021

Mary Lou Corlett, 90, of Mentor, passed away Monday, February 1, 2021. She was born September 25, 1930 in Cleveland, Ohio to the late Paul and Dorothy Gleason.

She was a generous and loving wife, mother, grandmother and great-grandmother, whose great warmth and sociability will be deeply missed by her family and all who knew and loved her. Following her 1949 graduation from Shaw High School in East Cleveland, she attended Cleveland College of Western Reserve University. She worked as a secretary for legendary Cleveland Orchestra conductor George Szell, then as a medical secretary at University Hospitals.

In June 1951, she married her husband Jack, and they began raising a family together. Having suffered from rheumatic fever as a child which resulted in heart damage but wanting to be strong enough to grow her family after the birth of her first child in 1954, she underwent successful open-heart surgery, performed by pioneer American cardiac surgeon Claude Beck at University Hospitals. She and Jack went on to raise a family of four. While she would face health challenges with strength and courage over the next 67 years, she always powered through them and was healthy until her passing. Her Christian faith was an essential part of her life. She was an active member of Mentor United Methodist Church for more than 50 years, where she taught

Sunday School for 25 years and was an active member of the church's Journey group.

Survivors include her husband of 68 years, Robert "Jack" Corlett; children, Thomas (Mary Lee) Corlett, John (Doug Van Auken) Corlett, James (Sue) Corlett and Elizabeth (Joseph) Aber; grandchildren, Ashley (Nicholas) Rutledge, Britt (Ian) Warsinskey, Shawn Corlett, Austin Corlett, Victoria Corlett, Sarah Aber, Hannah (PJ) Aber and Shannon Aber; great-grandchildren, Ben Rutledge, Abby Rutledge and Mila Warsinskey; and her brother, James (Elizabeth Maule) Gleason.

She was preceded in death by her sister, Patricia Coppedge.

A service for immediate family will be held at Brunner Sanden Deitrick Funeral Home and Cremation Center, 8466 Mentor Avenue, Mentor, OH 44060 at 9:30 a.m. on Saturday, February 13, 2021 (it will also be live streamed on Facebook, email mlcorlett2021@gmail.com for details) with burial taking place afterwards in Mentor Cemetery. A celebration of her life will be held later this year in Cleveland.

In lieu of flowers, contributions may be made in memory of Mary Lou for a park bench at the Holden Forest and Garden, PO Box 74422, Cleveland, Ohio 44194-002 or to the Hospitality Fund at Mentor United Methodist Church, 8600 Mentor Ave, Mentor, OH 44060.

Please offer condolences at www.brunners.com.

Cemetery Details

Mentor Cemetery

6881 Hopkins Rd.
Mentor, OH 44060
(440) 974-5733

Previous Events

Memorial Service

FEB 13. 9:30 AM (ET)

Brunner Sanden Deitrick Funeral Home & Cremation Center
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Mentor, OH 44060
(440) 255-3401
ajs@brunners.com
<https://www.brunners.com/>

Tribute Wall



“ *Brunner Sanden Deitrick Funeral Home & Cremation Center created a Funeral Service in memory of Mary Lou Corlett*



Brunner Sanden Deitrick Funeral Home & Cremation Center - February 13, 2021 at 10:39 AM

SH

“ *Shannon lit a candle in memory of Mary Lou Corlett*



shannon - March 07, 2021 at 11:23 AM

EA

“ *Elizabeth Aber lit a candle in memory of Mary Lou Corlett*



Elizabeth Aber - March 05, 2021 at 10:15 AM

SS

“ I remember when Aunt Mary asked me to visit her church. I calmly explained I already had a church. After a bit she tried a different tactic. "Why don't you visit?" she asked. And so I did. And I not only loved it, but to be there with her I just was hooked. I realized God was giving me an opportunity to spend even more time with someone I loved dearly that shared that same love for God I had. Before I knew it I had joined the church and was standing with her side by side worshipping our Lord and Savior. Joining a Bible Study together. Her faith was strong. She was a true prayer warrior. If she knew you, she prayed for you. It was that simple. But my favorite memories of her was standing side by side worshipping with her. Our hands outstretched in joy. Smiles on our faces. She had a true thankfulness for live and her loved ones. She is someone I truly looked up to and am forever grateful to have had in my life. I will miss her dearly but know she is with my mom, her sister, dancing with our Lord and Savior. And I will see them once again. Until then I have the memories. Many more than I have listed her. I could go on forever. Love you Aunt Mary

Sarah Sibley - February 12, 2021 at 12:50 PM



“ Praying for all of you. I am so sorry for your loss. Sending love,
Jennifer Toth

Jennifer Toth - February 08, 2021 at 11:12 AM

RM

“ Richard Mealle lit a candle in memory of Mary
Lou Corlett



Richard Mealle - February 07, 2021 at 09:17 PM

DM

“ Ashley - my deepest condolences to you and your family in the loss of your grandmother. My prayers are with all of you during this difficult time.



Debbie Mottoss - February 07, 2021 at 02:28 PM

DM

“ David B. Miller lit a candle in memory of Mary Lou Corlett



David B. Miller - February 07, 2021 at 02:25 PM

DM

My deepest sympathies to the Corlett family in your time of grief and loss.

David B. Miller - February 07, 2021 at 02:26 PM

MG

Jack I am so sorry for your loss Mary Lou was warm,friendly Lady always a pleasure to see her
Molly Guenther

Molly Guenther - February 08, 2021 at 08:40 AM

KH

“ Kurtis L Hinkley lit a candle in memory of Mary Lou Corlett



Kurtis L Hinkley - February 07, 2021 at 10:41 AM

MH

“ We Franko girls sat at your kitchen table learning basic Spanish!
Thanks for sharing family times. We look forward to her bench at Holden.

Michelle Haag - February 07, 2021 at 10:38 AM

DG

“ My deepest sympathy to the entire family.
You all remain in my thoughts and prayers.
She was such a blessing to all of you!
May she rest in peace!
God bless all of your grieving hearts!



Dr. John A. Glovan - February 07, 2021 at 06:41 AM

JR

“ Jane Reilly lit a candle in memory of Mary Lou Corlett



Jane Reilly - February 06, 2021 at 04:34 PM

HF

“ Hughes Family lit a candle in memory of Mary Lou Corlett



Hughes Family - February 06, 2021 at 01:43 PM

SS

“ Sarah Sibley lit a candle in memory of Mary Lou Corlett



Sarah Sibley - February 06, 2021 at 11:14 AM

JC

“ 1 file added to the album Memories Album



John Corlett - February 05, 2021 at 12:23 PM

BR

“ Brittany lit a candle in memory of Mary Lou Corlett



brittany - February 05, 2021 at 12:07 PM

SA

“ Love you grandma more than life itself



Shannon Aber - February 05, 2021 at 11:55 AM

PR

“ I've known Marylou for a lot of years. She had such a good sense of humor,& she never had a bad word to say of anyone. She was so,patient & caring. Always had time to listen to you. Will be greatly missed by all. Pat & Gene Rigsby

pat rigsby - February 05, 2021 at 11:13 AM

AS

“ Ashley lit a candle in memory of Mary Lou Corlett



Ashley - February 05, 2021 at 10:29 AM