



Mrs. Mary Katherine Drenth

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Drenth, Mary Katherine ,53, of Seminole. Mary passed away on July 5, 2009 while visiting family in Smithville, TN after a brief and courageous battle with cancer.

Mary was born on December 8, 1955 at Mineola, NY and is survived by her husband of 27 years Miles, and their children Stephanie, Jennifer, and Ben; her parents John and Marie Gassler, her brothers & sisters; John (Ellen) Gassler III; James (Laura) Gassler; Joseph (Lorie) Gassler; Maureen (Jeffrey) Nokes; Marie (David) Evans ; Therese (Jeffery) Reid ; Paul Gassler; Mary Noel (John) Bunch; Christopher (Lori Ann) Gassler ; and her God Parents Ken & Jeanne Stutt.

Mary graduated from University of South Florida with a BA Accounting, member of Beta Alpha Psi, a Certified Public Accountant, and employed with Honeywell Aerospace for 24 years.

A strong supporter of her community, Mary was a past president of the Seminole Junior Women's Club, very active with Seminole High School Band Boosters, and Seminole Youth Athletic Association. Mary's passion was her children, family, and network of close friends who provided incredible support and encouragement throughout her illness. We have all been inspired by Mary's unfaltering courage and strength.

Friends may call at the funeral home, Wednesday, 7/8/2009 from 1 PM until service time at 3 PM.

In lieu of flowers, memorial contributions may be made to the The Hospice of the Florida Suncoast, 5771 Roosevelt Blvd, Clearwater, FL 33760



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DF

Debbie & Matt Fischer posted:

We just wanted you to know we are thinking of you during this difficult time. Just returned from Phoenix and learned of the loss. While in Phonenix, I passed Honeywell and thought of the many times she had shared experiences of her trips there. She was a wonderful individual who will be missed by all.

July 14 at 3:45 PM

TT

Tracie Thompson posted:

Miles, Stephanie, Ben and Jennifer, I am so sorry to hear about Mary. She was such a wonderful person and such an inspiration to me. From meeting her 19 years ago at work, to joining the Seminole Junior Woman's Club because of her and learning from her about the band program, to her being my Finance expert at work, I will miss her. She was so proud of each of you and a role model to me. My thoughts and prayers are with all of you.

July 13 at 12:27 PM

SC

Stephen Chirsky posted:

We were extremely saddened to hear of your great loss. Your Wife was a great woman. We wish you all great blessings and a future of joy. God Bless. You, your family, and especially Mary will always be in our prayers. Stephen Chirsky & Family

July 10 at 5:01 AM

FM

Frances Monitzer posted:

Miles & Family, I just heard and a great sadness came over me. Mary was an inspiration to me at Honeywell. I loved her positive attitude and smiling face. Our condolences and prayers are with you during this difficult time. God Bless.

July 9 at 3:46 PM

PG

Paul Guttke posted:

Mary was a wonderful and caring person. I had the pleasure of working with her for a short period of time here at Honeywell. She was always willing to help when needed. I will miss her and her smile. My prayers go out to Miles and the family. May God bless you during this hard time.

July 8 at 9:27 AM



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MA

Meg Allocco posted:

Miles & family - my thoughts and prayers are with you all. I've been thinking of her since leaving Honeywell, and they have always been good thoughts and positive prayers. Mary demonstrated class and strength to all of us in finance.

July 8 at 8:48 AM

JF

John Fruit posted:

Miles, Stephanie, Jen & Ben, Our prayers are with you during this time of sorrow. I have fond memories of growing up across the street on 84th Terrace. Words never seem to be adequate during this time of grief, but please accept our sincerest condolences.

July 8 at 6:39 AM

JS

Judy Serata posted:

Mary's smile, laughter, spirit, and goodness will remain in the hearts of everyone who knew her. My thoughts and sympathy are with you at this sad time.

July 8 at 5:27 AM

LK

Lisa Kridos posted:

Mary and I met when we were Freshman in High School and me, Nancy and Mary became inseparable....the Three Musketeers! More than 37 years later, I am proud to still call Mary one of my closest and dearest friends. Since we lived just a block from each other in Hollywood, I practically lived at her house. Mary's mom will always hold a special place in my heart because she was always so kind to me....the most amazing thing about the Gassler house was they had 10 kids and it was the quietest,least chaotic house of all my friends!Two years ago, nancy, mary and I took our daughters on a cruise. They had never met but we wanted so desperately to create another generation of friends. We had a blast, the girls got along great...and it is a trip I will never forget!My heart and love go to Miles (Mary's Rock), Stephanie, Ben, Jen and all the Gasslers.I love you all....and Mary Kay, my dear dear friend...I will miss you forever.Love Always,Lisa K

July 7 at 7:49 PM



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RG

Russ Gandy posted:

I'm so sad to hear about Mary's passing. It was a joy to be in her company. Mary's smile and laugh would always light up the room. I will always remember this. Miles, I'm praying hard for you and the family during this most difficult time.

July 7 at 4:32 PM

SC

Sharon Carrozza posted:

Miles, Stephanie, Jennifer and Ben. I had the pleasure of working with Mary at Honeywell for many years. She was a wonderful friend and co-worker. She always talked about her family with great pride. She was so proud of each of her children. May all your wonderful memories bring you comfort at this very sad time. Mary will be missed by all that knew her.

July 7 at 1:45 PM

PM

Patty McMaster posted:

Stephanie, Jennifer and Ben: I hope over time you will have so many happy thoughts and memories about your Mom in your hearts, that will power over the grief you are feeling now. Your Mom left you with so many teachings and gifts by the example she set every day of her life. I was always so impressed with how she balanced very responsible Honeywell jobs while ever on top of every thing you guys had going on. She is very proud of you and will want you to keep up with the great Drenth family traditions you have enjoyed. Make her proud and please keep her finance buddies updated with your activities. Thinking of you and your Dad, and missing your Mom!

July 7 at 1:42 PM

TC

Tom And Kathy Campolettano posted:

We had the pleasure of working with Mary for more than twenty years at Honeywell. We will always remember her friendship, smiling face and devotion to her family. Words never seem to be adequate at these times, but please accept our sincerest condolences. Tom and Kathy Campolettano

July 7 at 12:33 PM



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LM

Lavaughn McNary posted:

To the Family: I must say that it was a joy to work with Mary at Honeywell. She always had a positive attitude. She will be missed, but not forgotten. LaVaughn McNary

July 7 at 11:47 AM

RR

Rita Risler posted:

I pray for you all in Mary's family, that you will share many wonderful and happy memories of the times you have had with her. May God bless each and every one of you in this time of grieving. Rita Risler, (Shirley's friend and co-china painter).

July 7 at 10:12 AM

VS

Vicki Smaridge posted:

Miles, Stephanie, Ben and Jen, I am so sorry for your loss. I am fortunate to call Mary a friend and I will miss her. Her positive and courageous attitude, especially at the end will always be an inspiration to me. Mary touched my heart, as she did to everyone she met. Rest in peace, Mary. Vicki Smaridge

July 7 at 8:50 AM

FK

Faye Kercher posted:

Miles, I'm so sorry to hear about Mary. You both have been good friends for a long time. You and your family will be in my prayers. Take comfort in knowing that she is in a better place. God needed the help of one more angel. He got a great angel in Mary. She will be truly missed. You have my deepest sympathy.

July 7 at 8:47 AM

EM

Eric Maxwell posted:

I am deeply saddened to learn of Mary's passing. I had the privilege of working side by side with Mary. I remember her genuine caring and warm personality. She was a pleasure to have known and to have worked with, and she will be missed. Miles, to you and your entire family, I offer my most sincere condolences.

July 7 at 8:17 AM



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RS

Randall Spires posted:

As much as a pleasure Miles Drenth is to work with his wife was just as much as a pleasure. My heart goes out to the Drenth family at this time.

July 7 at 7:52 AM

PM

Pam Mutka posted:

Mary was a joy to work with. She could always find a reason to laugh, even in the middle of the most hectic or stressful times, and made the rest of us laugh with her. Miles, my thoughts and prayers are with you and your family in the weeks ahead.

July 7 at 7:23 AM

LW

Lee Williams posted:

Miles & Family, I was deeply saddened to hear about Mary. She was so full of life. It was a pleasure to work with her at Honeywell. She will be greatly missed by all of us.

July 7 at 7:13 AM

LL

Linda Lopez posted:

My prayers are with you. The memories I cherish of Mary is the love of her family. She beamed when she talked about them. Her strength through this illness was remarkable. Mary's positive attitude and smiling face was always there. I am going to miss her very much.

July 7 at 6:12 AM

AS

Andy Stolarz posted:

To Miles and family, I am so sorry to hear about Mary. I met Mary while working on the Teterboro SAP implementation. She was a wonderful person. She was always happy to help and answer any questions we had and kept us on the right track.

July 7 at 5:51 AM



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RC

Rosy Cruz posted:

Mary was one of my first mentors at Honeywell...what a professional, but what I will miss the most is her friendship...

July 7 at 5:48 AM

MC

Mimi Caudell posted:

Miles & family, My heart goes out to you. Mary was such a wonderful person. I enjoyed the shopping trips, lunches and dinners we shared together. She always had a smile when she talked about her family. I will miss her.Mimi

July 7 at 5:39 AM

JC

John,Diana And Adam Chappie posted:

Our deepest sympathy to Miles and all the many family members and friends that new and loved Mary. We'll never forget all the wonderful time we spent together watching our children grow and spending time with them. SYAA, Seminole Little League and Seminole Soccer were like a family and now we're missing a very special member of that group. We'll remember the generous amount of time and all the special concern Mary gave. Our support is with you and your family please keep in touch . Love alwaysJohn, Diana and Adam

July 7 at 5:33 AM

CN

Carla Nickels posted:

Miles, My heart goes out to you and your family. Mary was such a vibrant - fun loving individual. I applaud the times we shared SAP deployments and worked long agonizing hours - but Mary always continued with a smile. She was a wonderful gift to our lives at Honeywell - but will be an even greater gift in God's home. God Bless you and the family. Pray for peace and it will be given. Carla Nickels

July 7 at 5:15 AM

LH

Leona Hackman posted:

Mary We love you so much. we are sorry for your loss. We want to express our condolences and our prayers are with you and family. Aunt Onie/Bob

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RD

Rick Diaz posted:

Miles, I am so sorry for your loss. I want to express my deepest condolences and that my thoughts and prayers are with you and your family. We need to remember that Mary although no longer with us, whom we loved, and made us laugh will echo within our thoughts, our words and our hearts. May you and your family find peace and love in the memories you cherish and shared with Mary and that peace may bring you comfort and healing. God Bless!

July 7 at 4:39 AM

JS

Joel Stieglitz posted:

It is with great sorrow that I learned Mary had passed away. We had worked together on a couple of the Honeywell SAP projects and Mary was always a happy and fun person to be with. Even when there was lots of stress on the job, Mary had a way to put everything in perspective and help us enjoy being together. She was an incredibly kind, caring, and all over nice lady. The world lost a great person, your family lost a wife and mother, I lost a friend, and may we all be better for having known her. May time help heal the pain of the loss, but she shall never be forgotten. A piece of Mary will live on in everyone's life she touched. Rest in peace Mary with G-ds love to the entire family.

July 7 at 4:16 AM

AM

Annie Miller posted:

My deepest condolences to the family of Mary. May the wonderful memories you shared bring you comfort. My prayers are with the family. God Bless Annie Miller from the Saint Petersburg China Painters Guild

July 7 at 4:00 AM

GR

Gary Rio posted:

We will remember Mary as a wonderful person to know and will be missed. Our prayers are with you at this time. Gary and Kim

July 7 at 3:56 AM



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SS

Sherrie Schafer posted:

Miles,Stephanie,Ben and JenOur thoughts are with all of you and your family at this time. May all the many wonderful memories help you through this.Sincerely,Sherrie Schafer

July 7 at 3:33 AM

GC

Glory Montandon Chapman posted:

I am Miles cousin from Iowa and i am so sorry to hear that Mary has passed away. Me and my mom (arlene Montandon--Miles aunt) want to say how sorry we are to Miles, the 3 children,Aunt Shirley, and all the family of Mary's. Heaven now has another special Ange! God Bless All Of You. Thinking of you with sympathy, Glory

July 6 at 6:41 PM

FN

Family Of Jeffery S. Nokes posted:

Maureen, all of our hearts go out to you and your family during this time of grief. God gives us comfort during these times. Paul writes in 2nd Corinthians 2:3-4; Blessed be God, even the Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, the Father of mercies, and the God of all comfort;Who comforteth us in all our tribulation, that we may be able to comfort them which are in any trouble, by the comfort wherewith we ourselves are comforted of God.

July 6 at 6:34 PM

NL

Nancy Lamfers posted:

Mary Kay was my friend. I am honored to be able to say that. It started in high school 35 years ago, but it seems like yesterday. We were on the same athletic teams and we were bound by so many loving and laughing moments. Though I live 3000 miles away, we reunited a couple of times. I got to take a mother daughter cruise and meet her beautiful girls. Good times. I met Miles and Ben when I went to visit Mary last year. What a great family. It takes a special woman to bind and grow a family like that. But you all know that Mary was a special woman. She was my friend and I miss her. Thank God that someday we will all be reunited and when that day comes...if I get to be the team captain...I'll pick Mary Kay to be on my team.Rest in Peace, Mary. Love,Nancy

July 6 at 6:17 PM



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JR

Jan Roberts posted:

Miles, my heart goes out to you and your family in this time of sorrow. May Mary find every lasting peace.

July 6 at 5:00 PM

SD

Shirley Drenth posted:

My dear Mary... I am going to miss you so much. You were always the daughter I did not have. You were loved by the whole family and will be missed. Shirley(your Mom-in-law)

July 6 at 4:18 PM

TC

The Staff At Memorial Park Funeral Home And Cemete posted:

The entire staff at Memorial Park Funeral Home extend their sincere condolences to the family.

July 6 at 11:06 AM



Memories only last if you share them

Join us in honoring Mary by contributing to a collection of shared memories.



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