



Mary Irene Spiewak

March 23, 1919 - August 3, 2018

Mary Spiewak died after a week at Hospice Legacy House. She had suffered from Alzheimers for over twenty years and had been living in Brookdale at Paddock Hills Memory Care since 2014.

Mary Spiewak was born and raised in Buffalo, NY and lived most of her life there. She was the second of four sisters who are all deceased. Mary was married to Theodore Spiewak for 59 years until his death April 18, 2008. She is survived by her daughter Claudia Spiewak and son-in-law Mark Waiwada. She lost her only son David Spiewak in 1993. Great Aunt Mary is remembered by many surviving nieces, nephews and their children.

Mary had the gift of music. She could play the piano by ear and was able to pick up many other instruments including the accordion and guitar. She always sang in the church choir and senior choral groups in Tonawanda NY. An active Auxiliary member of Legion Post 1041, she enjoyed many of their social events with Ted.

Mary and Ted moved to her daughters Ocala, FL home in 2007 and shortly thereafter into Assisted Living at Summerville then Emeritus. In 2010, she moved back with her daughter and loved attending Blessed Trinity Elder Care. During that time she visited almost all of the 170 Florida state parks and RV camped in many. She also went to weddings and family gatherings in Atlanta

andBuffalo.

Mary was a fun loving person with a great sense of humor that continued throughout her dementia. She shared her love of music,cocktails andher joy with many over her long life. She will be missed.

Her cremated remains will eventually be interred beside her husbands at Bushnell National Cemetery.

In lieu of flowers, please send memorial donations to Hospice Legacy House of Ocala, FL

Tribute Wall

FG

“ I was so sorry to hear of your mom's passing. I know you will always remember the good times. You were so lucky to have her for so long, Prayers and hugs to you and Mark

Flo and Roy Goodrich - August 11, 2018 at 12:00 AM

JM

“ Many thoughts from my teen years pass through my mind, but my most recent memories are those of Easter over the past several years. Claudia, Mark, "Mother," and I enjoyed time together celebrating Easter with the Polish tradition of wiconka. My next Easter visit to Ocala will be different without her big smile and great laugh. Sending caring thoughts to you, Mark and Claudia. Love, Janet (Zon Murray)

Janet Zon Murray - August 11, 2018 at 12:00 AM

YJ

“ I am very sorry to hear of the passing of your beloved mother. What wonderful memories you have of her. She will always be with you in these memories.

Yvonne Johnson - August 10, 2018 at 12:00 AM

CS

“ Thanks to all who emailed me condolences and to Tom who sent this beautiful picture of my parents in their early retirement years. I wrote mom's obituary stressing these last years in Florida and omitted so much of her happy longlife. Please remember her in your prayers. Claudia

Claudia Spiewak - August 10, 2018 at 12:00 AM

JK

“ We didn't know Mary but the stories that Claudia and Mark would share told us that she was a fun-loving and feisty lady. She raised a wonderful daughter who obviously learned her love of life from her mother. May the joy and love that you gave each other live on in your heart and soul.

Jane & Jim Kaufman - August 09, 2018 at 12:00 AM

BS

“ We always had a good time with Mary! she radiated joy and acceptance of all that life would bring her. She would often break into song; always the same tune. "The sheik of Araby". Our laughter seemed to inspire more singing! She was so fortunate to have the love and care that Mark and Claudia gave her for so many years. Adventures and travels too. Always smiling too.

Barbara and Marty Schwartz - August 09, 2018 at 12:00 AM

CC

“ My very deepest sympathy to Marys family and friends. I did have the pleasure of knowing her personally but sharing family stories with her daughter, Claudia warms my heart and reminds me of the great family memories of my mom. Claudia we are truly from the same cloth. May your Mom Rest In Peace. Cathy Calleri

Cathy Calleri - August 08, 2018 at 12:00 AM

BS

“ Marty and I always enjoyed being with Mary. Especially when she would sing "The Sheik of Araby" for us. She was definitely a fun-loving woman. How fortunate she was to have the love and care of Claudia and Mark. They made sure that all of her needs were provided for and that all holidays and birthdays were joyfully celebrated.Barbara and Marty Schwartz

Barbara and Marty Schwartz - August 08, 2018 at 12:00 AM

AR

“ We didn't know Mary but Claudia and Mark are our close friends so we heard lots of stories about her. She was a fun-loving person and passed that great quality on to her daughter, Claudia. There's no greater tribute to a person's life than that! Claud and Mark, we send all our love and wishes for the fondest memories of Mary for years to come.

Andrea & David Rossiter - August 08, 2018 at 12:00 AM

MF

“ Claudia and Mark: I am sorry to hear of Mary's passing. She was a lovely lady with a well of personality. I really enjoyed meeting her and camping with all of you. Peace.

Meredith Frost - August 07, 2018 at 12:00 AM

JN

“ Mary was certainly a remarkable woman. We enjoyed her company at the Waiwada house several times. She never seem to lose her interest in life and a unique sense of humor! She will be missed.

Jim nichols - August 07, 2018 at 12:00 AM

RM

“ Much love to Aunt Mary, cousin Claudia and Mark. She will be SO missed. I will especially miss her piano playing. She made my research year in the FL Keys so much better when she, Claudia, and Mark visited. I will always remember the wonderful time we had and cherish those memories!

Rachel Mattert - August 07, 2018 at 12:00 AM

BM

“ I could post about Aunt Mary's own piano she gave to me when she moved from Buffalo to Florida, or the ride in my 370Z when she was 96, or the smile, laughter and music she shared, and her example of 59 years of marriage to obviously her bff; but, instead I'll post her last visit to Buffalo in a 2-minute video. Sometimes the blessings God gives us are standing right next to us.

Beth Mellas - August 07, 2018 at 12:00 AM

A.

“ I wish to offer my deepest sympathy to you in this time of heartache. I have found comfort by reading in the Bible about the condition of the dead and Gods promise of a resurrection. I hope you can find comfort from Ecclesiastes 9:5, 10 and Acts 24:15.

A.R. - August 03, 2018 at 12:00 AM