



Mary Lou Norton Manning

May 30, 1935 - July 20, 2012

Mary Lou Norton Manning, of Ten Mile, crossed the bridge from her earthly life and stepped into the arms of Jesus after her year-long battle with cancer surrounded by her loving family at her home on Friday, July 20, 2012. Mary Lou was born on May 30, 1935 and was the youngest daughter of David Marshall Norton and Lola Reagan Norton. She was an active member of Salem Baptist Church in Ten Mile, Tennessee and has spent her entire life helping other people. She was a very special friend to many of the children in her church family. Mary Lou was coordinator of the food ministry when a death occurred in the church and she and her husband Don were in charge of the holiday food basket ministry which they loved doing. She was also a photographer and took various pictures at church functions. She enjoyed cooking, baking, gardening, traveling, and watching the grandchildren playing ball. Waiting in Heaven to meet her are: parents, David Marshall Norton and Lola Reagan Norton; Sisters: Monnie Norton Dixon; Edith Norton Rutherford; Vera Norton Williams; Brothers: Roy C. Norton; Gaylord F. Norton; David J. Norton; and James Ralph Norton.

She is survived by her husband of 54 years, Donald Leon Manning; Daughter: Rebecca Darlene Manning Clark and husband Jerry of Knoxville, TN; Son: David Leon Manning and wife, Tracey of Ten Mile, TN; 4 Grandchildren: Donald Scott Clark and wife Jessica of Knoxville, TN; Hope Maria Clark and fiancé Harry Plumbley of Austin, TX, Joshua Leon Manning, and Amber

Nicole Manning, of Ten Mile, TN; Sisters: Leona Norton Cate of Maryville, TN; Anna Norton Naill and husband Sam of Knoxville, TN; Sister-in-Law Carol Norton, of Hobbs, NM; Special Niece: Joyce Rutherford Dockery and husband Lewis, of Maryville, TN; Numerous other nieces and nephews. The family would like to thank doctors Daniel Ibach and Heath Many and all of their office staff for the love and kindness they have shown to us over the past year as well as Home Health Care of East Tennessee and Hospice for their support.

Funeral 7pm Monday July 23, 2012 in the Kyker Chapel with Rev. Ted Clower officiating. Burial 11am Tuesday at Stock Creek Baptist Church Cemetery in Knoxville, TN. In lieu of flowers the family requests that donations be made to Salem Baptist Church, 1355 Dry Fork Valley Road, Ten Mile, TN 37880 in memory of Mary Lou Manning. The family will receive friends from 5 until 7pm Monday at the Kyker Funeral Home in Kingston.

Tribute Wall

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“ I was both saddened and deeply affected by the news of Mary Lou's death. This brought back so many fond memories of our close relationship. She was like a sister to me. Although I have not been able to visit with Mary Lou and Don in a long time, I have thought of them frequently. The last time I saw them was after my son's wedding in 2010. As I left the church, the first person I recognized was Mary Lou, who immediately embraced me, expressing her love for me and how much she had missed me. I looked up and saw Don grinning from ear to ear and he hugged me too. May knowing you're in the prayers, hearts and thoughts of your family and friends help you through this time of sorrow.

Ruth Ann Manning - Knoxville, TN - Friend - August 02, 2012 at 12:00 AM

GS

“ Dear Brother Manning,

I just found out about Mary Lou. I am sorry for your loss and our prayers are with you and your family.

May God be extra close to you at this time.

Gerald, Annette and Katie Hubbard

Gerald & Annette Hubbard - 16363 Blue Springs Road, Philadelphia, TN 37846, TN - Friends from Salem - July 29, 2012 at 12:00 AM

EF

“ Don, Becky and David, We are praying for your comfort during these hard days. Evelyn and Mary Lou were friends many years ago. They stayed in touch with each other through the years. Love, Evelyn and Allen Holbrook

Evelyn and Allen Holbrook - Modesto, CA - School friend - July 25, 2012 at 12:00 AM

EF

“ Mr. Don, Becky, David and families, My deepest heartfelt sympathy and prayers are with each of you. I will not say the pain goes away, nor will I even be so brave to tell you that you will feel better soon. There is great peace and comfort in knowing that Mrs. Mary Lou is now rejoicing in Heaven. She has many friends and family waiting on her and there is NO pain, NO suffering, and NO fear for her. She was a marvelous women, an outstanding Christian example, and a role model for so many of us. Her life was surly lived with excietment and pride. I am sure if she was able to stay and be the vibrant women she was for so many years she would love to be holding your hands, but to bring her back to suffer I KNOW YOU WOULD NOT WANT THAT. May God surround each of you with comforting arms and great love. I am so sad that due to illness I was not able to pay my respects in person.

Earlene Smith Reynolds - Kingston, TN - Friend - July 24, 2012 at 12:00 AM

BT

“ My thoughts and prayers are with you now. Mrs. Manning was such a sweet lady. I pray that each of you will feel and know that God is comforting you during this time.

Beverley Kelley - Kingston, TN - July 22, 2012 at 12:00 AM

TF

“ Mrs. Mary Lou was a true Christian. She and Don are wonderful examples. They were so faithful to the house of God even through her illness. Praise the Lord for their example. She also loved our children very much and would always have candy for them and gifts on their birthdays. She loved all the kids in our church. She is deeply missed. Heaven is difinitely sweeter with her there.

TheStricklands - Niota, TN - Friend - July 22, 2012 at 12:00 AM

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“ Such a sweet, sweet beautiful woman of God.

Tina Ruffner - Lingston, TN - friend - July 22, 2012 at 12:00 AM

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“ We will miss you ! You are very special to us -

Taylor and Caden Clower - Kingston, TN - Friend - July 22, 2012 at 12:00 AM

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“ Words just can't be found to say enough about Ms.Mary Lou Manning. What a sweet example she was in helping others. A warm meal after each of my childrens birth and never a birthday or anniversary she forgot to make us feel so special and loved. No doubt she loved her family,friends and church. We will miss her,along with her fAmily.Our continued prayers for them until He comes for us. Much love and prayers -We love you Ms.Manning and thank you for the many ways you showed your love toward us.

Tony & Kim Clower - Kingston , TN - Friemds as family :) - July 22, 2012 at 12:00 AM

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“ *A wonderful lady who will be truly missed. See you in a while, Ms. Mary Lou!*

Kristi and Josh Beason - Ten Mile, TN - Friend - July 21, 2012 at 12:00 AM