



Mary Evans

September 3, 1939 - February 20, 2014

Mary Evans, 74, a resident of Lake Villa, passed away on Thursday, February 20, 2014.

She was born September 3, 1939 in Waukegan, IL, the daughter of the late John and Stella Sczygielski. She married Robert G. Evans, on October 11, 1958 in Waukegan. Mary was a stay-at-home mom for years. She had a special place in her heart for young children. After her children grew up, Mary went to college and became a preschool teacher. She taught at Peppermint Stick Preschool and KinderCare, both in Grayslake.

She is survived by her husband Bob; three children April, Rob (late Anna Marie), and Jeff (Barbara); two sisters Stella Sczygielski and Barb (late Mike) Ricard; two brothers Wally (Bettie) Sczygielski and Thom (Heather) Sczygielski; two granddaughters Brooke and Brittany; and several nieces and nephews.

She was preceded in death by her parents and five brothers.

Visitation will be from 4 - 8 p.m. on Monday, February 24, 2014 at Ringa Funeral Home, 122 S. Milwaukee Ave. (Rte 83) Lake Villa, IL 60046. Funeral Mass will begin at 10 a.m. on Tuesday, February 25, 2014 at St. Dismas Catholic Church, 2600 Sunset Ave. Waukegan, IL 60087, 847-623-5050.

Additional visitation 9 - 10 a.m. at the church on Tuesday. Burial private.
Please consider honoring Mary's fondness for children by making a donation
in her memory to Boys Town, www.boystown.org.

Previous Events

Visitation

FEB **24.** 4:00 PM - 8:00 PM (CT)

Ringa Funeral Home
122 S. Milwaukee Ave.
Lake Villa, IL 60046
(847) 356-2146
info@ringafuneralhome.com
<https://www.ringafuneralhome.com>

Visitation

FEB **25.** 9:00 AM - 10:00 AM (CT)

St. Dismas Catholic Church
2600 Sunset ave
Waukegan, IL 60087

Mass

FEB **25.** 10:00 AM (CT)

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Waukegan, IL 60087

Tribute Wall



“ *Mary Evans*

October 04, 2023 at 02:13 PM



“ *Mary Evans*

December 31, 2022 at 11:36 AM



“ *Ray & Rhonda and family purchased the Beautiful in Blue for the family of Mary Evans.*



Ray & Rhonda and family - February 24, 2014 at 11:57 AM

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“ REINVENTING HERSELF

Mary spent her first 20 years or so of marriage as a stay-at-home mom. When she found herself with an empty nest, she decided to reinvent herself. That was no small decision. She followed her passion for young children. That was the easy part. The challenge ahead was going to college! Mary was an average high school student. The idea of a “C” student taking college exams with students half her age sitting next to her was daunting. If that weren’t enough, many of the courses required this quiet housewife to stand in front of a class and sing songs, dance and tell stories. But Mary didn’t let all that stop her! She mustered all the courage and determination she had to attend classes, write papers, study for and take exams, prepare and perform presentations. She earned her college certificate and became a preschool teacher. She enjoyed nearly two decades of teaching preschool. She touched the lives of many little children during all those years.

MOTHER, I AM SO VERY, VERY PROUD OF YOU!

April - February 24, 2014 at 10:36 AM

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“ April E. purchased the Ocean Breeze Spray for the family of Mary Evans.



April E. - February 23, 2014 at 01:11 PM



“ *Emerald Garden Basket was purchased for the family of Mary Evans.*



February 22, 2014 at 11:08 AM



“ *Emerald Garden Basket was purchased for the family of Mary Evans.*



February 22, 2014 at 11:05 AM



“ *On behalf of the staff at Ringa Funeral Home, we would like to express our condolences to Mary's family. Thank you for entrusting your mother's services to us during this difficult time. Bob Ringa and Andrew Ringa*



Bob Ringa - February 22, 2014 at 09:56 AM



“ *Rays of Light Spray was purchased for the family of Mary Evans.*



February 22, 2014 at 08:52 AM

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“ A Memory Of My Mother by April

My mother had a gift for connecting with young children. When we were out and about, it was common for little ones to talk to her. When I first saw this, I would ask her if she knew the child or parent, and she almost always said, “No. Kids talk to me all the time.” Here is one of my favorite memories. We were shopping at a discount store. A little boy made eye contact with my mother and the typical chit-chat between child and my mom ensued. When my mother and the little boy finished talking, his mother approached her and said, “He doesn’t talk to anybody.” My mother shrugged as she said, “Oh, kids talk to me a lot.” The woman stepped in closer to my mother, lightly touched her arm and said, “No, really. He doesn’t talk to anybody. He doesn’t talk at school. He only talks to family. But he talked to you, a complete stranger. You have a gift.”

April - February 22, 2014 at 08:01 AM