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Mary Jane Egbert Reed

June 19, 1945 - Jan. 28, 2026

Mary Jane Egbert Reed departed her earthly body, with her children at her bedside, as her spirit went to be with Jesus. She was born June 19, 1945 in Greensboro, North Carolina, the youngest child of Gordon and Grace Egbert. She graduated from Grimsley high school, later graduating from UNC Greensboro. While in high school, she enjoyed playing many sports. Her love for tennis continued throughout her life with her attending many tournaments with her tennis team.

She worked as a computer programmer /analyst for several companies with her last employer being Burlington Industries. Following her retirement from BI she became a massage therapist. Her patients and family were appreciative of her skills to alleviate pain.

Mary Jane was known as “Mims” to her five grandchildren and two great grandchildren. She was devoted to her family and her church. She trusted Jesus as her Lord and Savior and was the youth advisor to middle school church members accompanying them on mission trips to Mexico.

Mary Jane is survived by son Alex Reed, wife Jamie; daughter Wendy Callahan, husband Fred; granddaughters Mackenzie Croegaert, husband Corey; Abby Reed;

husband Fred; granddaughters Mackenzie Droegsett, husband Corey; Abby Reed, Katie Callahan; grandsons Thad Craney, wife Allison; Collin Callahan. Her great grandchildren are Cooper and Cora.

A celebration of life is scheduled for the spring when all of her grandchildren will be able to attend.

The family wish to thank Grace Ridge Retirement Community and the assisted and memory care units for the care, compassion, and love they provided.

Sossoman Funeral Home and Crematory Center is assisting the family with the arrangements.

Tribute Wall

Mary Jane is/was not like anyone I have ever known. We had so much fun at UNC-G. We were on one of the upper floors (forgot which one). When the Chapel Hill fellows would come to UNC-G, we would hang out the window and talk to them. One time one of them said "We'll get a ladder & come up there. We said "Forget the ladder. We'll just jump." Of course we didn't. But we had a good laugh. Sorry I haven't seen her the last few years. Glad to hear she is in heaven, where I have another chance to see her. Frances Parker Barron

—Frances Parker Barron



My sweet MJ how I miss you! You were so very special to me and you will always hold a place in my heart. It was my honor to care for you, to love you and to be loved by you. Wendy and family we love you guys so much. Thank you for trusting us to care for your Mom it was truly a blessing! All my love, Stacey (Cathy) MJ always called me this.

—Stacey Wilson

Wendy you and your mom were such a big part of my growing up family. I remember a big snow storm where we sat round playing cards all day, drinking hot coco and being together. Many summers swimming at Lawndale and running to your house for a quick bite to eat before swim practice or out running a storm. My heart is heavy for you and your family today.

—Tia Schultz



I will miss you Aunt Mary Jane, and I love you

–Beth Egbert

My heart is full of memories of laughter and tears as we have journeyed through our lives together. We encouraged each other with words and deeds. Your smiles always blessed my heart. I am comforted by trusting you are being delighted in the Presence of our Lord, and we will be together forever. Until then, look for me my sweet sister, Gordayne

–Dayne Griffin



So sorry for your loss, She was very loved & I know she loved you Dr.callahan!

–Katie Mull