



Mary Margaret Cornelius

August 21, 1922 - February 27, 2022

Mary Margaret Cornelius, 99, of Roeland Park, Kansas passed away February 27, 2022 at the University of Kansas Medical Center.

She was born August 21, 1922 in Denison, Texas to William and Margaret (Tousa) Mendina. When she was very young the family moved to Kansas City, Kansas, where she attended St. Benedict and Central Junior Schools. As a young woman, she left school to help her mother support the family.

In 1939 she met her future husband, Melvin E. Cornelius. They married in 1942, bought a home, and raised three beautiful daughters. Mary enjoyed a lengthy career in retail sales, including the manager position at Richard Arnold's clothing store. Her favorite holiday was Christmas Eve when she would always host an ever growing Family. She loved her Italian heritage and always had Italian cookies and sausages as part of the dinner served at the gatherings.

Mary lived her life under her own terms. Family and friends that knew her considered her to be feisty and spunky. One grandchild nicknamed her "Pistol". Mary was determined to reach her 100th birthday so that her new drivers license would show her age. She darn nearly made it!

Mary is preceded in death by her husband Melvin Corneliuus; parents, William and Margaret Mendina; grandson, Robert David Weber; and siblings, Nancy Goodack, Thomas Mendina, and Virginia Lee Mendina.

She is survived by three daughters, Diana Cooper (Joe), Barbara McIntyre (George), and Marilyn Nugent (Lloyd); grandchildren Sherri Robertson

(David), Brian Cooper (Mary), Michael Peck (Laurie), Brandon Peck (Stacey) and Aaron Weber (Michelle); great grandchildren, Heather, Kevin, Brooke, Parker, Hunter, Elijah-London, Nathaniel, Ryan, Ella, Drew, Bradley and Grayson; and great-great grandchildren Logan, Emma, Charlie, and one more expected in May.

A visitation will be held from 1:00-2:00 PM with Funeral Services beginning at 2:00 PM Monday, March 7, 2022 at Maple Hill Funeral Home. Burial will follow at the Maple Hill Cemetery. Memorial Contributions can be made to the American Heart Association.

Cemetery Details

Maple Hill Cemetery

2301 S 34th St
Kansas City, KS 66106
(913) 262-6610
info@maplehillfuneralhome.com

Previous Events

Visitation

MAR 7. 1:00 PM - 2:00 PM (CT)

Maple Hill Funeral Home
3300 Shawnee Dr
Kansas City, KS 66106
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Funeral Service

MAR 7. 2:00 PM (CT)

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Tribute Wall



“ *Maple Hill Funeral Home and Cemetery created a Tribute Video in memory of Mary Margaret Cornelius*



Maple Hill Funeral Home and Cemetery - March 07, 2022 at 10:17 AM



“ *Mary Margaret Cornelius*

October 08, 2023 at 10:59 AM

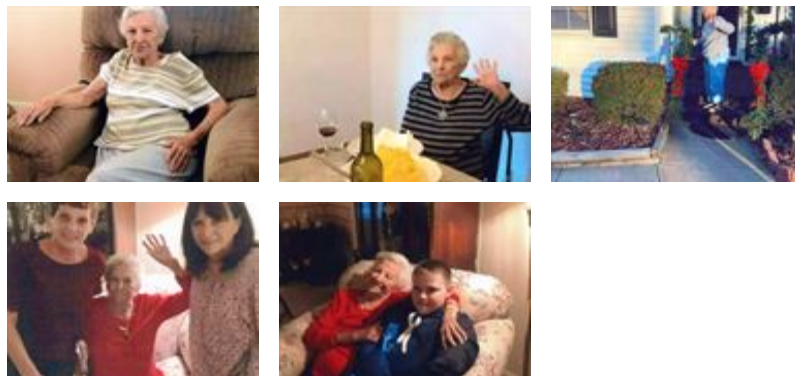


“ *Mary Margaret Cornelius*

September 17, 2022 at 08:24 PM



“ *71 files added to the album LifeTributes*



Maple Hill Funeral Home and Cemetery - March 07, 2022 at 10:15 AM

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“ 1 file added to the tribute wall



Lloyd Nugent - March 06, 2022 at 07:04 PM

MN

“ I loved my Mom with all my heart and that is how I will miss her too.
Love you Mom, Marilyn

Marilyn Nugent - March 06, 2022 at 05:45 PM

BM

I will miss .my Mom everyday & treasure the time I've had with her.
Will always love you forever.Mom 🌹

Barbara McIntyre - March 15, 2022 at 12:38 AM



“ Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum was purchased for
the family of Mary Margaret Cornelius.



March 06, 2022 at 05:12 PM

KB

“ *The days will never be the same without you next door. I will miss our patio talks and sitting on your swing. Thank you for giving me so many great memories and for loving my kids. Who knew a neighbor would be so special! Now that you’ve moved on to be with your loved ones in heaven, I ask that you please watch over us. You will forever be in my heart and I will miss you so much!*

Karla

(Your favorite neighbor)



Karla Brown - March 05, 2022 at 06:33 PM

BM

“ *Barbara McIntyre lit a candle in memory of Mary Margaret Cornelius*



Barbara McIntyre - March 04, 2022 at 10:31 AM



“ *Gracious Lavender Basket was purchased for the family of Mary Margaret Cornelius.*



March 03, 2022 at 10:22 PM



“ *Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum* was purchased for the family of Mary Margaret Cornelius.



March 03, 2022 at 07:56 PM