



## Mary Jo Helton

February 26, 1942 - January 15, 2024

Helton, Mary, (nee Tyrey) of High Ridge, Missouri, was born February 26, 1942 in Valley Park, Missouri to Guy and Agnes (nee Sherrill) Tyrey and entered into rest Monday, January 15, 2024 in Fenton, Missouri at the age of 81 years.

She is preceded in death by her parents, her husband, Ralph Helton, one son, Gary Helton, siblings, Alma Burnett, Frances Moore, Owen Tyrey.

She is survived by her children, Jeffrey Helton of High Ridge, Missouri, Cheryl Thomas of High Ridge, Missouri, Gregory Helton of Eureka, Missouri, and Suzanne (Greg) Pingleton of Union, Missouri; grandchildren, Lori Thomas, Brandon O'Reilly, and Eric Pingleton; great-grandchildren, Trystan Brown, Maiya Brown, Addilyn Pingleton, and Sawyer Pingleton; brother, Donald (Sandy) Tyrey of O'Fallon; along with numerous other extended family and friends.

Mary was a true social butterfly, leaving an indelible mark on the lives of those fortunate enough to have known her. Socializing was not just an activity for Mary, but a way of life that brought people together and created lasting connections. In addition to her love for people, she had a passion for cross-word puzzles and reading, as she found joy within the pages of books. She was also an avid baseball enthusiast and loyal supporter of the St. Louis

Cardinals. Mary's memory will forever be cherished by all who knew and loved her.

Visitation will be held on Monday, January 29, 2024 from 11:00 a.m. until 2:00 p.m. at Chapel Hill Mortuary, 6300 Highway 30, Cedar Hill, MO 63016.

Funeral Service will be held on Monday, January 29, 2024 at 2:00 p.m. at Chapel Hill Mortuary in Cedar Hill, MO. Interment will immediately follow at Chapel Hill Memorial Gardens in Cedar Hill, MO.

In lieu of flowers, memorial donations may be made on behalf of Mary Helton to Shriners Children's, <https://donate.lovetotherescue.org/give>, or American Cancer Society, <https://donate.cancer.org/>.

Family and friends can review and share stories, photos and condolences online at [www.stlfuneral.com](http://www.stlfuneral.com) and follow details of this event and others in the community at [www.facebook.com/stlchapelhill](http://www.facebook.com/stlchapelhill).

# Cemetery Details

## Chapel Hill Memorial Gardens

6300 SR 30  
Cedar Hill, MO 63016  
(636) 274-4100

# Previous Events

## Visitation

**JAN 29.** 11:00 AM - 2:00 PM (CT)

Chapel Hill Mortuary - Cedar Hill  
6300 Highway 30  
Cedar Hill, MO 63016  
(636) 274-4100  
info@stlfuneral.com  
<https://www.stlfuneral.com>

## Funeral Service

**JAN 29.** 2:00 PM (CT)

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## Graveside Service

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JAN 29. 2:45 PM (CT)

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# Tribute Wall

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“ Susan T. planted a grove of 5 [Memorial Trees](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Mary Jo Helton.

Susan T. - January 28, 2024 at 09:26 PM

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“ Nancy and Dale Ibendahl planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Mary Jo Helton.

Nancy and Dale Ibendahl - January 26, 2024 at 11:13 AM

Profile icon

“ Beautiful in Blue was purchased for the family of Mary Jo Helton.



January 26, 2024 at 11:13 AM

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“ One of the kindest people ever. Nelson and I were fortunate to have dinner with her almost every weekend and we enjoyed our time together. Not every week but close to it, we met with a group of friends at Captain Ds on Wednesdays. I will miss her sweet smile and sense of humor....I will just miss her!RIP

Patti Pointer - January 20, 2024 at 06:30 PM

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*I remember Mary, when she was a volunteer in our elementary school library. She was such a great person with the kids in the library and book fairs. All the students enjoyed her kind, helpful way. I am thinking about her family at this difficult time. Sincerely, Carla Spitzer Hughes*

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**Carla Spitzer Hughes** - January 22, 2024 at 07:29 PM