



Mary Elizabeth Stewart

December 24, 1923 - December 19, 2020

Mary Elizabeth Williams Stewart, 96, of Tinton Falls, passed away peacefully on Saturday, December 19, 2020.

Born on December 24, 1923 in Asbury Park, New Jersey, Mary was the daughter of the late Charles Henry Williams and Lela Jackson Williams. Raised in Asbury Park, New Jersey, she attended Bangs Avenue South School and Asbury Park High School. She received her Bachelor of Science degree in Education in 1945 from Trenton State Teachers College and her Masters of Science degree in Speech Therapy in 1978 from Newark State College.

Mary was an educational professional in the Asbury Park and Newark school systems for 42 years as a classroom teacher and later as a Speech Therapist.

On November 25, 1967, she married the love of her life Benjamin Vernon Stewart of South Bend, Indiana. After retirement, Mary and Ben moved to the Tinton Falls area.

She was a member of Ballard United Methodist Church of Asbury Park where she was a member of the United Methodist Women, the Adult Choir and the Altar Committee. At Ballard, she was also a volunteer at the Thrift Shop and a teacher for the Vacation Bible School. Mary was an avid Bridge player and

was a member of the Just-A-Mere Bridge Club. She enjoyed traveling, collecting figurines and art and she loved plants and flowers.

She was predeceased by her parents, Charles Henry Williams and Lela Jackson Williams, her siblings, Charles Henry Williams Jr., Lela Estelle Williams Holimon, Jerome Francis Williams, Lawrence Chester Williams, James Wesley Williams and Lloyd Edward Williams and her husband of 52 years, Benjamin Vernon Stewart.

She is survived by a host of nieces, nephews, cousins and friends.

Private Arrangements are being handled by:
Bongarzone Funeral Home
Tinton Falls NJ
(732) 918-6200

Cemetery Details

BG William C. Doyle Veterans Memorial Cemetery

350 Provinceline Road
Wrightstown, NJ

Tribute Wall

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“ To Mary Stewart's family, the Ballard United Methodist Church Family wishes to send our deepest regrets of Mary's passing. She is with the Lord and Ben now. We will miss her and the gifts that she and Ben brought to Ballard. They were an example of what God would want us all to be. Their love and respect for each other and others was a blessing in itself. Mary and Ben sang in our choir when we had one. Mary was such a beautiful lady inside and out. We shall always remember Mary's smile and laughter. We will always remember the time we had with her. God bless. Ballard Family

Virginia Richart - December 27, 2020 at 10:18 AM

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“ Carla Kearney lit a candle in memory of Mary Elizabeth Stewart



Carla Kearney - December 24, 2020 at 08:57 AM

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“ My Beloved Aunt Penny, i was always taught to call her aunt, but she is actually a cousin. She was my dads 2nd cousin. Aunt Lela was my dad's 1st cousin, her mom, and dad's dad were brothers and sisters. Our families so loved each other. Aunt Penny never missed my Birthday, when i was young there was always a few \$ in a card. Birthday's were special to her. Today is her Birthday, wishing you a Happy Birthday in Heaven auntie. I will miss our Sunday talks over the years, and mid-week calls after you became sick. I know you are happy to be with your Lord and Savior, your loving husband, uncle Ben, and other family members. We will forever love and miss you and your love and encouragement.
Revs James and Carla (Jackson) Kearney

Carla Kearney - December 24, 2020 at 08:54 AM

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“ Mary and Ben were one of the first couples I met at Seabrook Village. They were pioneers in the community, helping to create the vibrant, inclusive community I knew it could become. As a member of the Marketing Department's luncheon hosts and hostesses, she welcomed visitors and was proud to show her beautiful home. I am truly saddened to read of her passing and offer my sincere condolences to those that she loved and loved her. She will surely be missed.

Barbara Lastella Chachko - December 23, 2020 at 08:22 AM

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“ Bongarzone Funeral Jome lit a candle in memory of Mary Elizabeth Stewart



Bongarzone Funeral Jome - December 20, 2020 at 04:47 PM