



Mrs. Mary Lou Danheim

September 5, 1930 - April 21, 2016

Funeral services for Mrs. Mary Lou Danheim, 85 of Mt. Enterprise, Texas will be Tuesday, April 26, 2016 at Garrison First United Methodist Church in Garrison, Texas with Rev. Rick Anderson and Rev. Keith Whitaker officiating. Cremation arrangements are under the direction of Hawthorn Funeral Home. Visitation will be Tuesday from 1 – 2:00 p.m. prior to the service. Mrs. Danheim passed away Thursday, April 21, 2016 in Lufkin, Texas.

Mary Lou Danheim was born September 5, 1930 in Beaumont, Texas to Julius and Faye Deatherage Goines. Raised and schooled in Beaumont, Mary Lou graduated from South Park High School. She furthered her education at Lon Morris College, and graduated with a Bachelor's Degree in Education from Sam Houston State University. Mary Lou was commissioned a US-2 missionary and was serving as the Children's Director at the Wesley House when she met and later married Charles Wilbur Danheim on January 24, 1953. They celebrated over 63 years of marriage, raising 4 children and serving others throughout the Texas Conference of the United Methodist Church. While Charles preached, Mary Lou taught kindergarten for 25 years throughout the Texas Conference. She retired from Conroe ISD where she was honored as the Outstanding Teacher in 1992. After retiring, Charles and Mary Lou spent their time traveling and serving the United Methodist Church through many different programs. She was a kind and loving wife, mother, grandmother, sister and friend who loved to laugh and serve others. She was preceded in death by her parents.

She is survived by her loving husband, Charles Danheim of Mt. Enterprise; children, Lu Mayfield and husband Dan of Arvada, CO, Griff Charles Danheim of Houston, Mark Ernest Danheim and wife Beth of Houston and Dan Danheim and wife Donna of The Woodlands; sister, Lila Faye McMillan of Brazoria County, 9 grandchildren, numerous other relatives and a host of friends.

The family suggest memorials be made to The St. Stephen Fund or the Food Bank, both of which are at Garrison First UMC.

Previous Events

Visitation

APR 26. 1:00 PM - 2:00 PM (CT)

Garrison First United Methodist Church
Garrison, TX

Service

APR 26. 2:00 PM (CT)

Garrison First United Methodist Church
Garrison, TX

Tribute Wall

DC

“ She and Bro. Charles were very dear to me. I was his secretary when he was pastor at UMC in Teague, Texas and Mary Lou was my daughter's kindergarten teacher. She was an amazing lady and will be missed by many.

Diann Johnson Clary

Diann Clary - April 27, 2016 at 01:17 PM

TS

“ Charles, Sandra and I only have warm memories of Mary Lou. She was kind, compassionate, and gracious. We shall miss her. We are keeping you and yours in our prayers.

T. Randall "Randy" Smith

T. Randall Smith - April 25, 2016 at 09:58 PM

PF

“ What a grand lady! She will be missed by many, including Pat and me.

Pat and Jean Ferraro - April 23, 2016 at 06:01 PM

HK

“ Will always remember our days camping and your visits while we were in Tyler.

God Bless

Henry & Marjorie Knocke

Henry Knocke - April 22, 2016 at 11:01 AM

CJ

We have wonderful memories of many happy times camping through the years. She was a special lady and will be missed.

*Blessings -
Charlotte & Jerry Jetton*

Charlotte Jetton - April 24, 2016 at 10:00 AM



Charles, sending thoughts and prayers to you and your family. I never knew Mary Lou except to meet her a few times. I did so enjoy the time you were in Mount Enterprise as our Pastor and leader of our high school choir. If I remember correctly Griff and Pinky were good friends and in your wedding. I seem to remember coming to a church in Nacogdoches to see your first bornI forget the name....mind isn't what it used to be. Don't know if you stay in touch with Pinky or not, but she is doing fine. Still has her place her at their farm. She didn't have any bad flooding at her place in Houston. Blessings to you all. Marilyn and Tom Vaught

Marilyn Vaught - April 24, 2016 at 04:25 PM

DR

*Charles Danheim was the pastor in our church at Wesley United Methodist Church in Clute, Texas over 40 years ago. Denise and I were foster parents at that time and had the opportunity to adopt a baby girl that had been in our foster care since she was born. The adoption process was dragging on for over a year and without the support and finally intervention of Mary Lou and Charles, the adoption may not have been successful. That little baby girl is now 39 years old, happily married and has blessed us with two beautiful granddaughters. Consequently, we send our Deepest Sympathy to the family of Mary Lou Danheim. Denise and I pray that the Good Lord Blesses the Danheim family and comforts them in this time of sorrow.
Sincerely, Dennis & Denise Reiswig*

Dennis & Denise Reiswig - April 25, 2016 at 09:15 PM

BS

Charles,

I am so sorry to hear of Mary Lou's death. We will be praying for comfort and peace for you.

Bonnie Sandberg - April 26, 2016 at 04:43 PM