



## Mary Lou Scheid

May 6, 1948 - October 13, 2024

Mary Louise Scheid, age 76, of Royal Oak, passed away on October 13, 2024. She was born on May 6, 1948 to James and Nora Hoff.

Mary Lou was a proud graduate of St. Mary High School in 1966, where she met the love of her life, Don. Their love grew, and on February 23, 1973, they were married, spending an incredible fifty-one years side by side.

Some of Mary Lou's working years were spent at Import Bouquets and General Electric. More recently, she was a familiar and beloved face at Royal Oak Schools, serving as a lunch monitor.

But her love for family was at the center of everything she did. She was a homemaker who was wholeheartedly invested in the well-being and happiness of her family and extended neighborhood family. Always one to help others, she babysat many children over the years, especially while her own children were growing up, earning her the title of "second mom" to many.

A woman of deep faith, Mary Lou was a devoted Catholic and an active member of her community. She coached basketball at St. Mary's and was known for her unwavering commitment to her children's activities. For 12 years, she lovingly washed the Dondero football uniforms, ensuring the team was always ready for the field. And her enthusiasm knew few bounds, as she

might have been the only mom in history who was asked to leave a Dondero football game!

Passionate about sports, she was an avid fan of the Detroit Tigers and the Tampa Bay Rays. And beyond sports, she had a special place in her heart for the St. Patrick's Day Parade, often leading the charge with her festive spirit.

Known for her love of conversation, Mary Lou could talk your ear off and was fondly given the nickname "the bird" for her constant chirping. She was a good sport though, and proudly wore a t-shirt that humorously read, "nasty old bird." And her "Cronin goodbyes" were legendary and never short, as she had a way of making every departure heartfelt and memorable.

In addition to her many roles, Mary Lou took great joy in decorating for every holiday, making her home a warm and festive place for all who visited. Her energy, warmth, and unwavering devotion to her loved ones will never be forgotten.

Mary Lou will be remembered as the beloved wife of Don. Loving mother of Jeffrey, Joseph, Erica (Jason R.) Bayliss, and Andrew (Christen). Dear sister of Dan (Lyn) Hoff, Robert Hoff, and the late James Hoff and Thomas Hoff. Further survived by her sister-in-law, Gayle Hoff, and numerous nieces, nephews, cousins, godchildren, and four grand-dogs.

Visitation for Mary Lou will be held on Thursday, October 17, from 3 - 8 p.m. (Rosary at 7 p.m.) at Wm. Sullivan & Son Funeral Home, 705 W. Eleven Mile Rd. (four blocks east of Woodward), Royal Oak. The Funeral Mass for Mary Lou will be celebrated on Friday, October 18 at 10 a.m. (9:30 visitation) at St. Mary Catholic Church, 730 S. Lafayette Ave., Royal Oak.

Memorial donations to Shriners Children's appreciated <https://www.shrinerschi>

[ldrens.org/](http://ldrens.org/)

# Previous Events

## Visitation

OCT 17. 3:00 PM - 8:00 PM (ET)

Wm. Sullivan and Son Funeral Directors-Royal Oak  
705 W. Eleven Mile Road  
Royal Oak, MI 48067  
(248) 541-7000  
royal@sullivanfh.com  
<https://www.sullivanfuneraldirectors.com/>

## Rosary

OCT 17. 7:00 PM (ET)

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705 W. Eleven Mile Road  
Royal Oak, MI 48067  
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## Funeral Mass

OCT 18. 10:00 AM (ET)

St. Mary Catholic Church  
730 S. Lafayette Avenue  
Royal Oak, MI 48067

# Tribute Wall

KS

“ It is with great sadness that I couldn't be with the Sheid and Hoff family for Mary Lou's funeral as I was in the hospital for back surgery. Mary Lou was a wonderful lady full of life and love whom I knew for over 50 years and cherished each and every moment we were together. Mary Lou was a student of mine at St Marys High School and a friend for life. May God welcome her home to her special place in Heaven.

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**KEVIN SUTHERLAND** - October 24, 2024 at 08:54 AM



“ Full Of Love Bouquet was purchased for the family of Mary Lou Scheid.



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October 19, 2024 at 01:07 AM

FG

“ From Jon and Gretchen planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Mary Lou Scheid.

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**From Jon and Gretchen** - October 19, 2024 at 01:07 AM

BI

“ Bill purchased the Pink Tribute Spray for the family of Mary Lou Scheid.



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**Bill** - October 18, 2024 at 09:40 PM

BI

“ Bill planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Mary Lou Scheid.

Bill - October 18, 2024 at 09:40 PM

LD

“ Love, Courtney and Rick Davenport purchased the Country Basket Blooms for the family of Mary Lou Scheid.



Love, Courtney and Rick Davenport - October 17, 2024 at 03:13 PM

LD

“ Love, Courtney and Rick Davenport planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Mary Lou Scheid.

Love, Courtney and Rick Davenport - October 17, 2024 at 03:13 PM

GA

“ Greg & Delicia Allen purchased the Fiery Lily and Rose for the family of Mary Lou Scheid.



Greg & Delicia Allen - October 17, 2024 at 11:05 AM

BM

“ *Bill and Sherry MacIntyre purchased the Country Basket Blooms for the family of Mary Lou Scheid.*



Bill and Sherry MacIntyre - October 17, 2024 at 09:23 AM

TF

“ *The Farris purchased the Fairest of All for the family of Mary Lou Scheid.*



The Farris - October 17, 2024 at 09:16 AM

LF

“ *Love, The Viers Family purchased the Divine Peace Bouquet for the family of Mary Lou Scheid.*



Love, The Viers Family - October 17, 2024 at 08:55 AM

SC

“ *At our 50th class reunion. I was delighted to see Mary Lou & Don. She was the same sweet, perky girl I remembered from times past. She had a wondrous life and for that I give thanks. May your fond memories help to comfort you. God bless you Mary Lou. Sue Pesonen Campbell.*



Susan Campbell - October 17, 2024 at 06:12 AM

JD

“ In the summer of 2014, the year we were hit with the 100 year storm, I stood on my porch while Don and Mary Lou stood on their porch, watching the water creep closer up our front lawns while our basements were filling up with 18-20” of water as our county storm drain failed....after realizing it wasn't going to stop and there was nothing we could do about it. Mary Lou and Don had brought out a bottle of Sambuca - and we maybe had a couple shots because what else could we do? And we were all in it together. I'm so lucky to have known them for these last 16 years! Don - I love you! I wish there was a way to help you through this pain. Scheid kids - your mom was something else! I can't imagine the stories you might have! Mary Lou - rest easy - thank you for touching my life, I have good memories of you and you're going to be missed!

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**Julie Day** - October 16, 2024 at 10:43 PM



“ Country Basket Blooms was purchased for the family of Mary Lou Scheid.



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October 16, 2024 at 08:47 PM

TT

“ The Tills planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Mary Lou Scheid.

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**The Tills** - October 16, 2024 at 08:47 PM



“ *Country Basket Blooms was purchased for the family of Mary Lou Scheid.*



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October 16, 2024 at 07:44 PM



“ *So many great times back growing up at st Mary's.*

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**richard hojna** - October 16, 2024 at 07:20 PM



“ *god speed mary lou...*



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**jayne e decker** - October 16, 2024 at 03:22 PM



“ *Love, Eric, the Sartis, and the Hamples planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Mary Lou Scheid.*

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**Love, Eric, the Sartis, and the Hamples** - October 16, 2024 at 03:17 PM



“ *Sweet Tranquility Basket was purchased for the family of Mary Lou Scheid.*



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October 16, 2024 at 03:17 PM



“ *Love: Kerri, Fabio and Hunter LaBrada purchased the Pretty Please for the family of Mary Lou Scheid.*



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**Love: Kerri, Fabio and Hunter LaBrada** - October 16, 2024 at 01:27 PM



“ *Sweetest Sunrise Bouquet was purchased for the family of Mary Lou Scheid.*



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October 16, 2024 at 01:11 PM

SP

“*Mary Lou was a beautiful spirit and I am honored to have been in close contact with her through social media as the Proctor family moved away to Virginia when we were just kids. Sadly over the years seems we only congregated at funerals but there have also been many weddings and births to celebrate. The Cronin Clan and all our our first, second and third, perhaps even fourth now generations of cousins have always been close in my thoughts and prayers. My mother was her name sake and they had very similar personalities. What characters! We shared a great love of sports and we always communicated our passions for our Lions and Tigers, especially. Even though I will be unable to attend physically my thoughts and prayers are with each and everyone in the families. I know Heaven received her with wide open arms and she will truly live in our hearts and souls forever. God bless you all during this difficult transition. Love and prayers, Cousin Sheila Proctor Pryor* ❤️🙏❤️🙏❤️🙏❤️

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**Sheila Pryor** - October 16, 2024 at 12:49 PM

KK

“*I'm saddened to hear of Lou's passing. She was a joy and so full of life! God bless her 🙏  
With love and sympathy,  
Kathy Kucyk  
(I worked with Mary Lou at Oakland Elementary.)*

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**Kathy Kucyk** - October 16, 2024 at 11:50 AM

DM

“ Heartfelt condolences to the Scheid and Hoff families. We share your loss of beloved Mary Lou. Her touching obituary reflects how much she did for others. Be assured, your families are in our thoughts and prayers. May you feel God's love and support during this difficult time. God bless.

*Dan & Claudia Malone*

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**Daniel and Claudia Malone** - October 16, 2024 at 11:49 AM

MC

“ Mary Lou was like a big sister to us. She will always be in our hearts.

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**Margaret A Cronin** - October 16, 2024 at 11:42 AM

JC

“ My family grew up with Mary Lou and her brothers across the street. Her mom was one of my mom's best friends and we all played together in the 1950's. We were so glad that she and Don moved into the same S. Wilson house after her folks passed. Bless her family and her memory.

*Janie Cassady*

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**Jane Cassady** - October 16, 2024 at 11:40 AM

MR

“ I remember Mary Lou as a friendly perky person who always spoke to me with sincerity and joy. Family and friends are blessed with her spirit. RIP. Mary Reed

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**Mary Reed** - October 16, 2024 at 11:23 AM



“ *Country Basket Blooms was purchased for the family of Mary Lou Scheid.*



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October 16, 2024 at 10:30 AM



“ *Our condolences to Mary Lou's family. What a life well lived ! We are friends with Dan Hoff and touched by her commitment to others. The world was a better place with Mary Lou in it .  
Peace  
Mike and Audrey Fenbert*

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**mike Fenbert** - October 16, 2024 at 08:02 AM

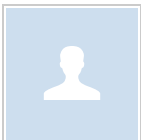


“ *Love Always, Richelle (McLaughlin) purchased the Country Basket Blooms for the family of Mary Lou Scheid.*



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**Love Always, Richelle (McLaughlin)** - October 15, 2024 at 10:44 PM



“ *Sweetest Sunrise Bouquet was purchased for the family of Mary Lou Scheid.*



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October 15, 2024 at 08:15 PM

JK

“ Julie Day, Carol Bartz and kids purchased the Fair est of All for the family of Mary Lou Scheid.



Julie Day, Carol Bartz and kids - October 15, 2024 at 07:37 PM

JK

“ Julie Day, Carol Bartz and kids planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Mary Lou Scheid.

Julie Day, Carol Bartz and kids - October 15, 2024 at 07:37 PM

JD

“ Mary Lou could be seen sunbathing in the hottest of hot weather on a green lounge chair beside our shared fence - she might well have been the most devout Sun worshipper alive! The kindness and the acceptance for me and family from Don and Mary Lou, from the time I moved next door 16 years ago to this day, will always be appreciated and returned happily! I'm holding the whole family in my heart and I'm sending my love. Im here right next door if you need me. ~Julie Day and her family xoxox❤️

Julie Day - October 15, 2024 at 07:13 PM

WL

“ With Love, The Lowden's purchased the Large Basket Garden for the family of Mary Lou Scheid.



With Love, The Lowden's - October 15, 2024 at 06:38 PM



“ *Country Basket Blooms was purchased for the family of Mary Lou Scheid.*



October 15, 2024 at 05:35 PM



“ *Bob Hoff & Family Dan & Lyn Hoff & Family purchased the Care and Compassion Spray for the family of Mary Lou Scheid.*



**Bob Hoff & Family Dan & Lyn Hoff & Family** - October 15, 2024 at 05:14 PM



“ *Mike, Amber and Ali planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Mary Lou Scheid.*

**Mike, Amber and Ali** - October 15, 2024 at 04:27 PM



“ *Mike, Amber and Ali purchased the Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum for the family of Mary Lou Scheid.*



**Mike, Amber and Ali** - October 15, 2024 at 04:27 PM

NB

“ Nathan and Melanie Braley planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Mary Lou Scheid.

Nathan and Melanie Braley - October 15, 2024 at 03:42 PM



“ Divine Peace Bouquet was purchased for the family of Mary Lou Scheid.



October 15, 2024 at 03:42 PM



“ Heavenly Heights Bouquet was purchased for the family of Mary Lou Scheid.



October 15, 2024 at 03:41 PM

TF

“ The Seymour Family planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Mary Lou Scheid.

The Seymour Family - October 15, 2024 at 03:41 PM

AS

“ Attached at the hip the 4 of us and 1000's of memories. Going to be so missed “sister of my heart” Kiss Jack for me ☐

Ann Schoenbeck - October 15, 2024 at 03:40 PM