

*Celebrating* THE *Life* OF

# Mary Ann Mayhew

APRIL 9, 1934 - APRIL 15, 2025

The LORD is my *Shepherd;*  
I shall not want.  
He maketh me to  
lie down in green pastures:

He leadeth me beside the still waters,  
He restoreth my  
*soul:*

He leadeth me in the paths of righteousness  
for His name's sake. Yea though I walk through the  
valley of the shadow of death.

*I will fear no evil:  
for Thou art with me;*  
Thy rod and Thy staff they comfort me.

Thou preparest a table before me in the presence of mine enemies  
Thou anointest my head with oil; My cup runneth over  
Surely goodness & mercy shall follow me  
all the days of my life;

And I will dwell in the house  
of the LORD *forever.*  
- Psalm 23

**Services At:**

Pedersen Funeral Home - Morris, Minnesota  
Monday - April 21, 2025 - 2:00 p.m.

**Officiating Clergy:**

Minister Minette Stahleim Johnson

**Readers:**

**Mary Ann's Great-Nieces and Great-Nephew:**  
Brittany, Ethan, and Kjestina

**Special Music:**

It Is Well With My Soul  
*as recorded by Joey + Rory*

**Urbearers:**

Doug and Eric Ritson-Johansen

**Interment:**

Mt. Hawley Cemetery  
Peoria, Illinois

**Mary Ann Armbruster** was born on April 9, 1934, in Fairbury, Illinois, to George and Anna (Rieger) Armbruster. She spent her early years in Fairbury before her family relocated to Peoria, where she graduated from Peoria High School. She was baptized at Grace Evangelical United Brethren Church on April 10, 1960.

Mary Ann began a long and successful career with Illinois Bell, where she worked for 35 years and retired in a supervisory position. On May 10, 1980, she married Donald Dean Mayhew, and they made their home in Peoria until his passing. Following Don's passing, Mary Ann moved to Morris, Minnesota, to be closer to her sister and extended family.

She was a member of Trinity Lutheran Church in Alberta, Minnesota. She participated in various social groups over the years, including the Red Hat Society and the Ladies of Line Drive. Mary Ann enjoyed baking, quilting, cross stitching, and listening to country western music. A dedicated reader, she was particularly interested in history, crafts, and popular culture. She was also an enthusiastic sports fan who enjoyed attending basketball games and following the Minnesota Twins, Vikings, and college Kansas Jayhawks basketball.

Mary Ann passed away peacefully on April 15, 2025, at West Wind Village in Morris, just six days after celebrating her 91st birthday.

She is survived by her brother-in-law, Bill Ritson; nieces Sue (Mike) Bruer and Beth (Joe) Beranek; nephew Doug (Eric) Ritson; and several great-nieces and great-nephews. She was preceded in death by her husband, Don; her parents, George and Anna; and her sister, Doris Ritson.



Please use this QR Code to access  
Mary Ann's online guestbook and tribute video.

**Pedersen**  
Funeral & Cremation Service

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*Memory*



*Mary Ann Mayhew*