

OBITUARY

Mary Jo Nash passed away peacefully on July 9, 2026, in Blum. She was born on January 7, 1946, in Cleburne.

Mary lived a life rooted in service, guided by faith, and enriched by the beauty of nature and family. She was a woman of remarkable accomplishment and unwavering devotion. She dedicated her life working as a registered dietician consultant. Her work was not just a profession but a calling-she was renowned for her expertise in both acute care and long-term care nursing; honored for 50 years of service with the ADA. With a heart for caretaking, she provided guidance and support to countless people, embodying her belief that she and her siblings were put on earth to be caretakers of God's green earth.

Her deep connection to the natural world was evident in all she did. Mary cherished butterflies, dragonflies, turtles, and reveled in the daily wonders of sunrises and sunsets. Her favorite color was blue, reminiscent of the wide Texas sky she so loved. Gardening brought her immense joy, allowing her to nurture life and beauty on the family farm that was so close to her heart. Traveling opened her world further, yet she always carried with her, a grounded appreciation for home, family, and the land.

Faith was an integral part of Mary Jo's journey. She was baptized in the Church of Christ and was an active member of the Methodist Church in Blum, embracing a community that mirrored her values of kindness, generosity, and spiritual commitment.

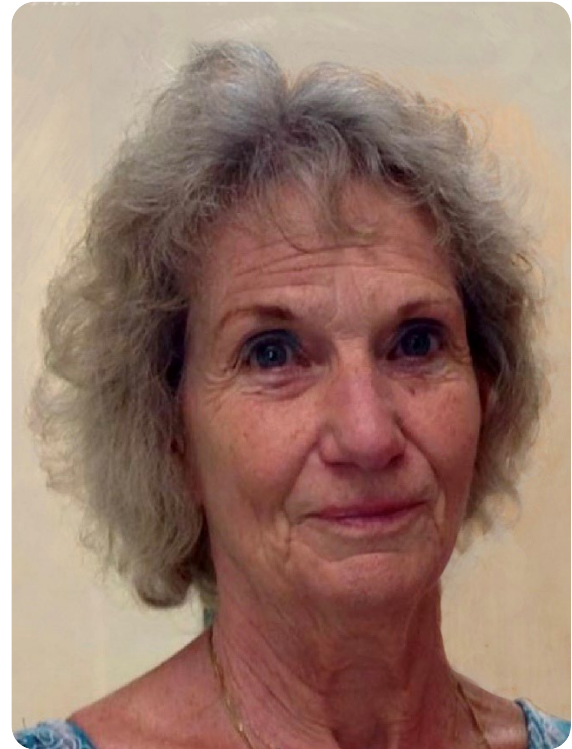
Mary was preceded in death by her husband, Carrol Edward Nash; parents, Joe Crowell Glover and Mary Jacqueline Coody; and brother, Charles Pat Glover.

She is survived by her children, Karen and Jeff O'Dell of Livingston, Michael D'Wayne Pruitt of Blum, and Patti Jo McMahon of Blum; grandchildren, Ashley Nicole Ratliff, Debby Merryman, Clay O'Dell, Kaysi Jo Garrett, Wade Garret McMahon, and Preston Pruitt; great-grandchildren, Talli Jo Garrett, Charlee Nicole Bourque, D.J. Merryman, Axel Clay O'Dell, and Michael Angel Pruitt, and sister, Martha Sue Smith.

The family would like to extend a special thank you to the staff of Wings Over Texas Hospice.

Made especially for the **Mary Jo Nash Family**
by the Staff of Crosier-Pearson Cleburne Funeral Home
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Celebrating the Life of



Mary Jo Nash

Desiderata

Go placidly amid the noise and the haste, and remember what peace there may be in silence. As far as possible, without surrender, be on good terms with all persons.

Speak your truth quietly and clearly; and listen to others, even to the dull and the ignorant; they too have their story.

Avoid loud and aggressive persons; they are vexatious to the spirit. If you compare yourself with others, you may become vain or bitter, for always there will be greater and lesser persons than yourself.

Enjoy your achievements as well as your plans. Keep interested in your own career, however humble; it is a real possession in the changing fortunes of time.

Exercise caution in your business affairs, for the world is full of trickery. But let this not blind you to what virtue there is; many persons strive for high ideals, and everywhere life is full of heroism.

Be yourself. Especially do not feign affection. Neither be cynical about love; for in the face of all aridity and disenchantment, it is as perennial as the grass.

Take kindly the counsel of the years, gracefully surrendering the things of youth.

Nurture strength of spirit to shield you in sudden misfortune. But do not distress yourself with dark imaginings. Many fears are born of fatigue and loneliness.

Beyond a wholesome discipline, be gentle with yourself. You are a child of the universe no less than the trees and the stars; you have a right to be here. And whether or not it is clear to you, no doubt the universe is unfolding as it should. Therefore be at peace with God, whatever you conceive Him to be. And whatever your labors and aspirations, in the noisy confusion of life, keep peace in your soul. With all its sham, drudgery and broken dreams, it is still a beautiful world. Be cheerful. Strive to be happy.

by Max Ehrmann ©1927

IN MEMORY OF *Mary Jo Nash*

BORN

Monday, January 7, 1946
Cleburne, Texas

PASSED AWAY

Thursday, July 9, 2026
Blum, Texas

SERVICE

2:00 PM
Tuesday, July 14, 2026
Crosier-Pearson Cleburne Chapel

OFFICIATING

Pastor Jessica Roberts

PALLBEARERS

Patrick Morris Joe Glover
Clay O'Dell Jonathan O'Dell
Preston Pruitt Wade McMahon

HONORARY PALLBEARERS

Jeff O'Dell David Merryman
Chris Bullard

FINAL PLACE OF REST

Blum Cemetery
Blum, Texas