



Mary Jane Ward

December 24, 1921 - February 11, 2017

Mary Jane Ward, 95, of Fort Collins, CO, passed into the arms of God on February 11, 2017. She was the daughter of Burt and Ruth (O'Neil) Ward of Huntington, West Virginia. Mary Jane was a member of St. John 23rd University Parish. Known as Dr. Ward to many, Mary Jane's passion for teaching grew into a distinguished career in education. She began by teaching English to elementary and secondary students. Later she was professor of education, Chair of the Dept. of Education and director of graduate studies at Barry University, Miami, FL. She served as Dean and President of St. Dominic College, St. Charles, IL, and was founding director of the Developmental Center for Special Ed. for the District of Columbia public schools. Mary Jane shared her enthusiasm for life-long learning with her dearest friend, Mary Wolfe. Together they were educational consultants for the New Jersey Dept. of Education. After retiring to Colorado in 1997, she remained actively involved in many movements both spiritual and political in support of the poor and disadvantaged. Mary Jane was in her element whether she was community organizing or providing hospitality to guests at her home. She was gifted with numerous friends and her life was a testimony to our Lord's command to love one another. A Mass of Christian Burial will be held on February 16, 10 am, St. John 23rd University Parish. Memorial contributions may be made to Bread for the World: www.bread.org/.

Cemetery Details

Grandview Cemetery

1900 West Mountain Avenue
Fort Collins, CO 80521
<http://www.fcgov.com/parks/grandview.php>

Previous Events

Mass of Christian Burial

FEB **16**. 10:00 AM - 11:00 AM (MT)

St. John XXIII
1220 University Avenue
Fort Collins, CO 80521
<http://www.john23.com/>

Tribute Wall



“ *Mary Jane Ward*

October 25, 2022 at 06:14 PM

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“ WAITING

Time is for Waiting

I am Waiting

Unlike any other time, I've ever waited, like learning to talk & walk, time made a lot of difference.

Waiting to know myself as self.

Waiting to share.

Waiting to learn so many things out there.

Waiting for me to engage and so much more.

Planning to wait. Waiting to plan.

Surprise waiting's.... For what comes next!

Waiting for outcomes.

Waiting for prayers to be answered

Still more waiting.

Waiting for essentials & potentials & time to happen.

Waiting for distance to shorten; for time to pass by.

While waiting & wondering.

In all times wonders of Graces of family & friends deeply embedded.

Still waiting now, unlike any other time; time now to wait.

Time to be quiet, to enjoy as time goes by.

Time of friendship.

Musings of life's memories.

Still more waiting, but now with purpose. Thoughts of God's purpose in giving me time.

A whole lot of time!

~Mary Jane Ward

February 21, 2013

Mary Jane Ward - February 15, 2017 at 12:00 PM

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“ *Chrissy lit a candle in memory of Mary Jane Ward*



Chrissy - February 15, 2017 at 10:25 AM