



Mary Jane Frank

September 15, 1935 - November 12, 2025

Mary Jane (Sharpnack) Frank was born on September 15th, 1935, in Riverside, California to Fred Harold Sharpnack and R. Marie (Pilling) Sharpnack. She grew up in Elkhorn, Nebraska and attended Tech High School, graduating in 1953.

Mary Jane married Byron Frank on October 8th, 1954 in Omaha, Nebraska. Their life together took them on an adventure overseas to the Mediterranean Sea and France, where they lived for 13 months. During their time abroad, they experienced French and Italian culture. These years were filled with travel and fun experiences that Mary Jane cherished throughout her life. Mary Jane and Byron Frank were blessed with two sons, Gordon and Steven. Family was at the center of Mary Jane's life. She treasured time spent raising her sons and Byron. The family enjoyed many vacations to the Lake of the Ozarks together, creating memories that will be cherished forever.

Throughout her career, Mary Jane served as a legal, church, and school secretary. Her colleagues appreciated her humor at every job, and she made lasting friendships in each place she worked. She retired from Elkhorn Public Schools in 1997.

She had many hobbies that brought her happiness throughout her life. Mary Jane enjoyed collecting Pinocchio memorabilia, reading books and her Bible,

and playing games like Cribbage. She especially loved counted cross-stitching. Mary Jane was a devoted member of Our Saviour's Baptist Church for 55 years. She found great joy in teaching Sunday school, participating in Bible studies, and volunteering with VBS. Her faith was an important part of her life, and she cherished the friendships she made within her church community.

Mary Jane Frank, age 90, of Elkhorn, Nebraska, passed away peacefully on November 12th, 2025 at Symphony Pointe with family.

Mary Jane is survived by her husband of 71 years, Byron Frank. Her son, Gordon Frank and his wife Lisa, and their son Connor. Her son, Steven Frank and his wife Amy, and their children Matthew, Elayna, Caleb, Simeon, Isaac, and DeAndre; two great-grandchildren, Faith and Josephine. Many nieces and nephews including Robert (Bob) Vance, Jennifer Hunter, and Stuart Whiting.

She was preceded in death by her parents, Fred Harold Sharpnack and R. Marie Sharpnack; her brothers, Richard Vance and Robert Vance; her sister-in-law, Esther Vance; and her niece, Patricia Vance.

The family wishes to extend their gratitude to family, friends, and the Symphony Pointe caregivers for their compassionate care and support.

Memorials are suggested to the Open Door Mission.

Previous Events

Celebration of Life Service

NOV **19**. 11:00 AM (CT)

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Tribute Wall

LD

“ Dear Byron, Gordy, and Steve, There is no earthly way of making up for Mary Jane's departure out of your lives. She is an indelible love letter written on our hearts too, and for so many others, especially in the membership of Our Saviour's Baptist, the church she loved and served for more than half her life. Take heart, dear ones, the body that is sown is perishable, it will be raised imperishable; though sown in weakness, it will be raised in power. Soon, very soon!
David and Karin Livingston

Livingston David - November 18, 2025 at 06:15 PM

JE

“ Mary Frank was precious. My wife, Kristen, and I, in our early 20s, spent many hours with Frank and Mary in their home with no agenda other than food, warmth and encouragement. She was a mom to folks like us and good at it. God speed, dear sister. A thousand blessings on her family. Much love. John and Kristen Ensor

john ensor - November 18, 2025 at 09:29 AM

MF

Mary Jane and Byron were our sister and brother in Christ. But we called them cousins because they are Frank and we are Franks. Our blessed certainty is that we will praise GOD through eternity.

Matilda Franks - November 25, 2025 at 10:37 AM

JS

“ *My wife and I were blessed to have known Mary Jane & Byron for many years as part of Our Saviour's Baptist Church. Her genuine smile and love for life and others is what we will cherish always! Joe & Dorie Sittler*

Joe Sittler - November 17, 2025 at 10:33 PM

WR

“ *Warmest condolences, Beth Robinson purchased the Beautiful in Blue for the family of Mary Jane Frank.*



Warmest condolences, Beth Robinson - November 17, 2025 at 01:46 PM



“ *Full Of Love Bouquet was purchased for the family of Mary Jane Frank.*



November 16, 2025 at 04:45 PM