



Mary Louise Mac Gillis

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Mary Louise Mac Gillis was born on August 30, 1938 in San Diego, California — the first of two children in the family. Her father was Laurence Barrows from Montana and Lorna McClish of California. Mary stayed in the San Diego area all her life and passed on May 7, 2015. She attended Helix High School, and then San Diego Community Colleges where she earned an Associates Degree. She ended up working as Secretary for the Community College District in San Diego where she served for about 45 years. Some of the areas she lived in are San Diego, Lemon Grove, Leucadia, and Encinitas. She was a member of Pilgrim United Church of Christ in Carlsbad and in helping the homeless. She was a social activist, caring organizer, and very generous with her time. She had a way of sharing her love for the homeless, involving them in church activities and games. Mary will be missed by all who knew her!



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CM

Carroll Mary posted:

Mary and my partner Julie would go to El Indio for Mexican food since the early 1980s with Mary and Tim. When I moved back to San Diego in 2013 Mary and I met up there. She told me about her church and her work with homeless people. It was her passion. I now see why she didn't reply to My emails and texts. I am so sorry for your/our loss. Mary was a loving soul whose love spilled over to many people. I'll miss her and Tim tremendously.

March 29 at 4:45 PM

JD

Jana Ditmars posted:

I've known Mary I believe since we moved to San Diego in 1975 and began attending Wesley United Methodist Church. She always had a friendly smile and a hug. She was a good friend to my mother for all these years and we're saddened to just learn of her passing. She will be greatly missed. RIP Mary. God bless you.

September 17 at 11:23 AM

HB

Holly Bea posted:

Mary opened up her home to me (where I have stayed with her on and off for the past couple of years). We spent many hours chatting on the porch and in her living room, sharing meals, laughing and crying. She was a kind and generous, open and loving person. I am so grateful for the gift she has been in my life. I will dearly miss her.

June 17 at 4:17 PM

BC

Barry Coy posted:

Mary was a very kind and caring person. She always had a smile and a laugh you wouldn't forget. She'll be sorely missed. Barry Coy

May 19 at 11:10 AM



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MC

Mark St. Clair posted:

I worked with Mary for approximately three years at the SDCCD and communicated on and off since then. She was always a very special person to me. Mary was one of those spirits with a golden heart and I never heard a negative comment from her regardless of situation. I will miss her, the world lost a treasure with her passing, unless we all try to be as good as she was. Mark St. Clair

May 16 at 10:16 AM

BD

Betty Dean posted:

Mary was a thoughtful, caring member of our book club for many years before she moved to Encinitas, and I am so sorry for her loss. Betty Dean

May 15 at 4:46 AM



Memories only last if you share them

Join us in honoring Mary by contributing to a collection of shared memories.



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