



Mary Jo A. Nieman

June 22, 1939 - June 19, 2026

Nieman, Mary Jo (Schmiegel),
Saginaw Twp., Michigan

Mary Jo Nieman passed away peacefully on Friday, June 19th at the age of 86. She was born on June 22, 1939, in Milwaukee, WI to the late Joseph and Hazel (Shaddeau) Schmiegel. Mary Jo was married to Larry Paul Nieman on August 13, 1960, in Saginaw, who predeceased her on November 23, 2021. Mary Jo is also predeceased by her grandson, Keegan Larkin. She is survived by her children and their spouses, Joan (Ray) Larkin, Janice (George) Ross, Ann (Scott) Anderson, and Larry Nieman Jr. (Daniel Zagotta); her grandchildren, Raymond (Sarah) Larkin, Kristin Jaremba (Nick Maguire), David Ross, Brian (Charlise) Ross, Brandon Anderson, Joshua Anderson, Ethan Zagotta; and great-grandchildren, Kendall, Kennedi, Makenzi, and Kallie Jaremba; Kasen and Kenley Maguire; Owen, Charles, and Hailey Larkin; and Charlie and Brian Jr. Ross.

Prior to her retirement, Mary Jo was employed as an award-winning schoolteacher at Carrollton elementary and middle schools for over 30 years.

She enjoyed card games, was an avid reader, and enjoyed sweet treats such as ice cream and Snickers bars. She loved spending holidays with the family, especially Christmas. In her later years, she continued to find enjoyment in

simple things like going to Imerman Park to watch the dogs, playing the piano, and watching game shows.

Special thanks to Traditions of Saginaw Main Campus for the profound kindness and care provided to Mary Jo and the family.

A celebration of life will take place 11:00 a.m. Wednesday, July 8, 2026, at the Wakeman Funeral Home Inc., 1218 N. Michigan Ave., Saginaw. Steve Prudhomme and Larry Nieman, Jr. will preside. Mary Jo will then be laid to rest in St. Andrew Cemetery, Saginaw Twp. Friends are welcome to visit with the family at the Wakeman Funeral Home, 1218 N. Michigan Ave. on Tuesday, July 7th, from 4:00 p.m. to 7:00 p.m., then on Wednesday, July 8th, from 10:00 a.m. until the time of celebration at 11:00 a.m. Memories and sympathies of Mary Jo may be shared with the family on her memorial website at WakemanFuneralHome.com

Cemetery Details

St. Andrew Cemetery

381 Saint Andrews Road
Saginaw, MI 48638

Upcoming Events

Visitation

JUL 7. 4:00 PM - 7:00 PM (ET)

Wakeman Funeral Home, Inc.
1218 N. Michigan Ave.
Saginaw, MI 48602
(989) 752-8531
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Visitation

JUL 8. 10:00 AM - 11:00 AM (ET)

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Tribute Wall

HB

“ Aunt Mary Jo was the best and will be deeply missed. Love to all the family.

Holly (Prudhomme) Bloedel



Holly Bloedel - 38 minutes ago

JM

“ I recall meeting Mary Jo, introduced as Larry's mom, year ago when I worked with Larry Niemann. Meeting both of Larry's parents has been a wonderful experience. They were so full of joy and love and that was so clear when meeting them. I hope you all find comfort with the loss of Mary Jo.

Jennifer Muryn - 1 hour ago