



## Mary Kae Lehman

March 15, 1945 - December 14, 2023

Mary Kathryn (Kunz) Lehman, 78, of Evansville, passed away peacefully and prayerfully at her lifetime home on Thursday, December 14, 2023 surrounded by her loving children.

Mary Kae was born on March 15, 1945 in Evansville to the late William John and Mary Frances (Lannert) Kunz. She and her husband, the late Deacon Thomas D. Lehman, married on October 12, 1963 at Sacred Heart Catholic Church (now St. Boniface Parish), where she was a longtime, faithful member. Mary Kae and Tom were active in the Cursillo movement with the Diocese of Evansville as well as the Diocesan Prayer Apostolate. They were leaders of RCIA and other ministries and were inducted into the Brute Society for their service to the Church. Mary Kae was recently inducted into the Sts. Anna and Simeon Society, a ministry of prayer, witness, and sacrifice for the sanctification of all.

Mary Kae is survived by four sons, Greg (Denise) Lehman, Keith (Gretchen) Lehman, Bill (Jay Runner) Lehman and Steve (Jennifer) Lehman and two daughters, Amy (James) Schroeder and Julie (Chris) File; grandchildren, Jacob, Kelly, Andrew, Casey, Jack, Zachary, Emma, Matthew, Isaac, Noah, Taylor, Lucas, William, Louis, Grace, Samuel and Katherine. In addition to her parents, Mary Kae was preceded in death by her husband of 54 years, Deacon Tom Lehman in 2018; by children, Angela and Darrell and by her brothers, Thomas and Joseph Kunz.

She loved being with her family and supported her husband throughout his

diaconate and alongside her children's and grandchildren's activities. In addition to her Church work and family life, Mary Kae worked at the Bread of Life Bookstore for many years, a job in which she found great joy. She was a devoted friend to many and loved all the people in her prayer groups, card groups, dinner groups, volunteer groups, and more. Her peaceful presence was inviting and people were drawn to her quiet strength and steadfast faith which she lived out so beautifully.

Mary Kae was known and beloved by many for her gentleness, patience, and trust in God's Divine Providence, which shone through even in her greatest trials. She often shared that her plan of action after her terminal diagnosis was to wait, pray, hope, and trust. And that she did, to the end, showing us what it means to trust in God's Holy Will and be grateful in all circumstances.

The family would like to thank all her medical as well as spiritual caregivers during this remarkable journey to her heavenly home.

There will be a Mass of Christian Burial held at 10:00 AM on Tuesday, December 19, 2023 at Sacred Heart Catholic Church, Rev. Christopher Droste officiating. Burial will follow in St. Joseph Catholic Cemetery.

Friends may visit with the family from 2:00 until 7:00 PM on Monday at Pierre Funeral Home, 2601 W. Franklin Street where there will be a vigil service held at 5:00 PM. Friends may also visit with the family from 9:00 AM until service time on Tuesday at Sacred Heart Catholic Church, 2701 W. Franklin Street. Memorial contributions may be made to St. Boniface Parish, 1626 Glendale Ave, Evansville, IN 47712.

Condolences may be made online at [www.pierrefuneralhome.com](http://www.pierrefuneralhome.com).

# Cemetery Details

## St. Joseph Catholic Cemetery

2500 Mesker Park Drive  
Evansville, IN

# Previous Events

## Visitation

DEC 18. 2:00 PM - 7:00 PM (CT)

Pierre Funeral Home  
2601 West Franklin Street  
Evansville, IN

## Visitation

DEC 19. 9:00 AM - 10:00 AM (CT)

Sacred Heart Catholic Church  
2701 W. Franklin Street  
Evansville, IN

## Mass of Christian Burial

DEC 19. 10:00 AM (CT)

Sacred Heart Catholic Church  
2701 W. Franklin Street  
Evansville, IN

## Burial

DEC 19 (CT)

St. Joseph Catholic Cemetery  
2500 Mesker Park Drive  
Evansville, IN

# Tribute Wall



“ *Pierre Funeral Home created a Tribute Video in memory of Mary Kae Lehman*



**Pierre Funeral Home** - December 16, 2023 at 05:52 PM

DW

*What a wonderful lady. Mary Kae was such a pillar in the Sacred Heart Parish. Her and her beloved husband Tom touched so many lives. It was truly a blessing getting to know her. . My prayers and heart go out to her loved ones.*

**Donna Webster** - December 18, 2023 at 03:00 PM

JM

“ *May you rest in God's peace, Mary Kay. My first cousin and first best friend during the first seven years of our lives. She and I were one month apart in age. We giggled constantly and loved being with each other. She was an exceptional woman in every way. 💔*  
*Jane Lannert McDonald*

**Jane Lannert McDonald** - December 21, 2023 at 11:58 PM

LB

“ Keeping everyone in my thoughts and prayers  
Mary was truly a beautiful person and how fortunate one is to have  
known her

*Laura K Backes*

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**Laura K Backes** - December 18, 2023 at 11:45 AM



“ Enchanted Cottage was purchased for the family  
of Mary Kae Lehman.



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December 18, 2023 at 10:48 AM

JC

“ John C. planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Mary Kae Lehman.

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**John C.** - December 18, 2023 at 10:48 AM



“ Arrive in Style was purchased for the family of  
Mary Kae Lehman.



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December 17, 2023 at 09:31 PM

CF

“ *Mary Kae was truly a servant of God and spread Jesus' love to so many.*

*Eternal rest grant unto Mary Kae, O Lord, and let perpetual light shine upon her. May she rest in peace. Amen.*



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**Cathy Funkhouser** - December 17, 2023 at 09:03 PM

LA

“ *One of the sweetest persons we knew. She and Tom made a great pair. Our thoughts, prayers and condolences go out to her family and many friends Vaya con Dios, mi Amiga! PAX TECUM, Mary! Leonard "Larry" and Carolyn (Knapp) Adams- MD'60*

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**Leonard "Larry" R. Adams** - December 17, 2023 at 07:10 PM

JH

“ *We have lost a beautiful woman from our earth but gained another Saint in heaven. She has left a fantastic legacy in her children. May they all be blessed a receive peace and the joyful hope of an eternal reunion with their parents someday.*

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**Jum & Susan Helmer** - December 17, 2023 at 07:25 AM



“ 131 files added to the album LifeTributes



Pierre Funeral Home - December 16, 2023 at 05:50 PM



“ Small Garden Dish was purchased for the family of Mary Kae Lehman.



December 15, 2023 at 10:10 PM



“ I have nothing but good memories of her. My condolences to her family. Fr Jean Vogler

Fr Jean Vogler - December 15, 2023 at 11:57 AM



“ Diane (Martin) Angermeier lit a candle in memory of Mary Kae Lehman



Diane (Martin) Angermeier - December 15, 2023 at 11:02 AM



“ *Full Of Love Bouquet was purchased for the family of Mary Kae Lehman.* ”



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December 15, 2023 at 09:21 AM