



## Mary E. "Mary Beth" Broughton

February 9, 1959 - January 10, 2022

Mary E. "Mary Beth" Broughton, age 62 of Highland, IL, died Monday, January 10, 2022, at Saint Joseph's Hospital in Highland, IL.

She was born on Monday, February 09, 1959, in Freeport, IL, the daughter of Calvin Joe and Mary (nee Anderson) Broughton.

She was a member of Evangelical United Church of Christ, Highland, IL.

Mary Beth was born at Freeport, IL, her family moved several times and she graduated from Clackamas High School, Clackamas, Oregon. They moved to Highland, IL, where she attended Lincoln College and Belleville Area College. Mary Beth enjoyed reading and time on her computer - Facebook, emails, et al. She looked forward to family gatherings and time with her brothers. For many years she was a pet-sitter, taking care of cats and dogs when their masters were on vacation.

Survivors include:

Brother - Calvin D. Broughton, Jr., Springfield, VA

Brother - Curtis M. (Anne) Broughton, Normal, IL

Brother - Christopher J. (Wife Patty Matthews) Broughton, Tucson, AZ

Many - Nieces and Nephews

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She was preceded in death by:

Father - Calvin Joe "Cal" Broughton - Died 1/07/2008

Mother - Mary Helen (nee Anderson) Broughton - Died 12/16/2006

Arrangements are being handled by Spengel-Boulanger Funeral Home in Highland, IL.

A Memorial Service will be at a later date.

Memorial contributions may be made to American Diabetes Foundation.

# Tribute Wall

AN

“ Thank you for the constant words of encouragement, love, and for bringing joy to my day with your text messages. Your uplifting positive spirit will be missed, but has served as such a great example as to what it means to be an outstanding human being. We love you, and miss you, but glad you are at peace now.

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**Angelino** - February 02, 2022 at 01:58 PM

JS

“ Mary Beth was a wonderful lady, we always looked forward when she would drive down our driveway to visit she called it the Avenue. She will be dearly missed God has a new angel from Jon and Sharon

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**Jon and Sharon** - January 25, 2022 at 02:21 PM

MA

“ Mary was one of those people who always put a smile on your face. She was outgoing and friendly. She cared about people and always had an ear to listen to others. She also wasn't afraid to tell you "how it is" in order to put you in your place (many times with the phrase, "Listen to your mother!" ...referring to herself... lol). She was a wonderful woman, loved God, and through her faith genuinely cared for people. Our community will feel this loss because she touched so many lives. May she rest in peace and may we rest to know that if we share her faith that we have hope to be with her again soon!

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**Matt** - January 14, 2022 at 05:29 PM

MB

“*Mary Beth exuded the love and joy that she learned from her parents, Mary & Cal. All such fine, fine people! Her presence, even on Facebook, will be greatly missed. My sympathy to all her family.*

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**Mary Bergman** - January 13, 2022 at 11:39 AM

PA

“*Dear Cal, Curt and Chris,  
So sorry for your loss. Marybeth, i will miss your encouraging words and your kindness. You made the world a little softer and brighter and you will be missed very much. Rest in Peace!*



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**Patty** - January 12, 2022 at 09:29 PM

DM

“*I had the pleasure of going to church with Mary Beth when she attended First Congregational. She always had a positive & uplifting thing to say & was truly a blessing to so many people!*

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**Debbie McNeilly** - January 12, 2022 at 04:13 PM

PA

“ To Cal, Curt and Chris,  
So sorry for your loss. Your sister was filled with loving kindness. I came to look forward to and depend on her daily messages of hope and inspiration. I will miss her daily connections very much. She was very special and she loved her family fiercely. Her kindness really helped to soften the harshness of the day in day out especially during pandemic times. Marybeth you are missed already. With love—Patty. One of her last posts resonates with me below:



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**Patty** - January 12, 2022 at 03:09 PM

CO

“ Calvin, Curt and Chris,

So sorry to hear about Mary Beth. May she rest in peace and enjoy her hugs with mom and dad. She was an angel on earth and inspired many. Sending thoughts and prayers.



*Connie Sparlin*

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**Connie** - January 12, 2022 at 09:00 AM

CA

“ *What a beautiful soul Mary Beth possessed. Always doing the next "right" thing because "that's what my Mom and Dad taught me" !! I am so very happy for Mary Beth; she has missed her Mom and Dad for a LONG time. May she know eternal joy with Jesus and her family.*

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**Carol** - January 12, 2022 at 12:21 AM

PC

“ *I will miss you my friend. Fly High in the arms of the angels..Know that you have uplifted many people with your positive and thoughtful Facebook messages.*

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**Phyllis Cagle** - January 11, 2022 at 10:49 PM

JD

“ *We lived near your family in Holiday Manor for many years. Your sister was always friendly and willing to help anyone. She always greeted you with a smile on her face and working with the older people as she did showed her compassionate side too. May she Rest In Peace!*

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**Janet Doyle** - January 11, 2022 at 10:46 PM

TW

“ *Thanks for being in my life going to miss you*

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**Tony Winter** - January 11, 2022 at 10:25 PM

KA

“ Oh my sweet Aunt Mary Beth, how we miss you so already! The boys and I loved being loved by you. There was never a holiday, an occasion, a school dance, a sporting event that you didn't reach out and shower us with support and kind words and all of the goodness your heart had. I looked so forward to your uplifting, positive postings on Facebook; and the best was when you would post pictures of your crafts that you enjoyed working on, or a photo of you smiling during activities. You always said you didn't like your smile, but I said it was a beautiful window into your special soul and your caring heart. I have never known anyone who had so much to give, never expecting anything in return. You made Ang, Mo and I feel like the most special people in the world...yet you made everyone you had a connection with feel that too. You told Angelino he was half of her favorite nephew and Maurizio was her other half favorite. You told me I was your favorite niece. We miss you so much already, but I promise to keep your loving hopeful optimism alive and share it with those around me. We have a new guardian angel, our Auntie Mary Beth. With Love, Kathleen, Angelino and Maurizio

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**Kathleen** - January 11, 2022 at 09:17 PM