



Mary Jo Fruth

August 29, 1943 - June 6, 2026

Mary Jo Fruth, 82, of Napoleon, Ohio passed away on Saturday, June 6, 2026, at Northcrest Nursing and Rehab. She was born in Napoleon on August 29, 1943, to the late Julian and Helene (Speiser) Gilliland. Mary Jo married Paul E. Tonjes on Augusts 29, 1963 and he preceded her in death on August 11, 2010. She married Jay Fruth on May 6, 2023.

Mary Jo was a member of St. Paul Luthern Church, Napoleon. She loved the outdoors and enjoyed camping, snowmobiling, and taking walks along the river. Mary Jo loved having her family close, especially for Christmas and pool parties where she would tempt everyone with her delicious baking. Her family was her greatest joy, especially her grandchildren.

Mary Jo is survived by her husband, Jay; children, Jamie (Julie) Tonjes, and Janine Tonjes; grandchildren, Josh (Katelyn) Tonjes, Alex Tonjes, and Chelsea (Craig) Wanless; great grandchildren, Emma, Brock, and Mason; and siblings, Judy Cotter, David (Ron) Gilliland, and Jan (Susie) Gilliland. In addition to her parents, she was preceded in death by her first husband, Paul Tonjes; and brother-in-law, Gerald Cotter.

Friends and family will be received at the Rodenberger-Gray Funeral home, Napoleon on Wednesday, June 10, 2026, from 9:00 AM until the time of services at 12 noon. Interment will follow at Glenwood Cemetery, Napoleon. In

lieu of flowers, memorial contributions may be made to Henry County Humane Society, Elara Caring Hospice, or Northcrest Nursing and Rehab. Online condolences may be shared with the family at rodenbergergray.com.

Cemetery Details

Glenwood Cemetery

Napoleon, OH 43545

Upcoming Events

Visitation

JUN 10. 9:00 AM - 12:00 PM (ET)

Rodenberger Funeral Home - Napoleon
1010 Westmoreland Avenue
Napoleon, OH 43545

Funeral Service

JUN 10. 12:00 PM (ET)

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