



Marilyn Jean Crittenden

December 17, 1934 - December 7, 2020

Marilyn Jean (Medcoff) Crittenden, a fiercely independent woman who wanted it "done right," died December 7, 2020 at the age of 85. Marilyn was born December 17, 1934 in Lansing, Michigan to Edward and Freda (Wolfe) Medcoff. She graduated from Charlotte High School in 1954 and then married her sweetheart William Critenden on July 31, 1954. Together they raised four children on their farm, and Marilyn became an active 4H leader. She loved learning new things and sharing with others, including crocheting, knitting (her family says she could make anything), and keeping her mind active by taking classes. She was a beloved teacher's aide at Galewood Elementary and other Charlotte schools for over 25 years before she retired.

Marilyn is survived by her children Beverly (Patrick) Day, Pamela Cary, Gary (Diana) Crittenden, and Daniel Crittenden; 12 grandchildren, nine great-grandchildren; siblings Richard (Debbie) Medcoff, Lyle (Jean) Medcoff, and Tom Harshman; brother-in-law, Robert Buonodono; and many nieces and nephews. She was predeceased by her husband of 61 years, Bill; son-in-law, Michael Cary; siblings, Duane Medcoff, Phyllis Buonodono, and Robert Harshman; and her parents.

A private graveside service will be held, and a public memorial will be held in Spring of 2021. If desired, contributions are suggested to Sparrow Hospice. Friends are encouraged to support the Crittenden family by sharing memories

of Marilyn on her Tribute Page at www.PrayFuneral.com. The family is in the care of Pray Funeral Home, Charlotte.

Tribute Wall

GR

“ *Bev, Pam, Gary, and Dan,*

I'm very sorry for your loss. I didn't know your mom well, but she seemed like a kind soul. Her spinning, knitting, and sewing skills impressed me, and I recall how she would laugh and seemed to like it whenever my dad teased her. Losing a parent is hard, but I'm glad for her that she no longer suffers. I hope your memories of happier times will comfort you in the days ahead. She's gone from sight, but her spirit lives on.

*With sincere sympathy,
Gayle Rolfe*

Gayle Rolfe - December 31, 2020 at 03:07 PM

JL

“ *Marilyn was a beautiful woman inside and out. She was a long and dear friend to us and will cherish her memory. If you wanted something done she was the person to do it. She made the world a better place. John and Judy Locke*

John and Judy Locke - December 18, 2020 at 05:23 AM

DA

“ *Marilyn and I worked together at Galewood. She was a nice lady. Rest in peace.*

Donna Allen - December 12, 2020 at 11:12 AM

LW

“ We were neighbors to the Crittenden's on Packard Hwy until my 5th grade year. Even though I was young, I still have so many wonderful memories of Ms. Crittenden. She was my after school babysitter and my 4H Teacher. I spent many days with her, and remember her beautiful smile, her soft nature, her love of teaching and her love of children. My biggest memory was when I won four Blue Ribbons in the 4H Fair. I think she was more excited than I was for those ribbons. Such a great memory.... and one that to this day brings a smile to my face. I was blessed to have such a beautiful lady in my world. Prayers and Love to the Crittenden family. Lisa (Hill) Weakley

Lisa (Hill) Weakley - December 09, 2020 at 08:36 AM

JS

“ Bev and Pam, prayers for the family

Jill Smith - December 08, 2020 at 09:54 PM

DP

“ Dearest Crittenden family
I am so sorry hear about the loss of your mom. I will always remember her as a 4-H mentor teaching me sewing techniques. She was a wonderful, sweet lady and mother. Wishing you strength and peace during these hard times.
Love, Darcy Hill Priest

Darcy Hill Priest - December 08, 2020 at 06:49 PM



“ Florist Choice Bouquet was purchased for the family of Marilyn Jean Crittenden.



December 08, 2020 at 04:07 PM



“ Bev, Pat & family
Keeping your family in our thoughts during this difficult time. She was a special lady!
Randy & Debbie Kelley

Debbie/randy kelley - December 08, 2020 at 03:29 PM



“ Dear Pam, Bev, Gary, and Dan, I am so sorry to hear about your mom. She was a nice lady and loved her family dearly. We ran into each other at various times through the years. She always had a smile on her face. You were all good little kids to watch. I liked being with you! God bless you during this difficult time. Your memories of her will always be with you. My mom has been gone 7 years and there are still times I reach for the phone to call her. You will have those feelings as well. She was that kind of mom!

Dana Droscha Green - December 08, 2020 at 01:20 PM

CW

“ *Bev, Pam, Gary, and Dan,*

So saddened to hear of the passing of your Mother. Please know that we have all of you in our thoughts and prayers.

Hugs to all of you!!!

Chad & Carol Walker

Chad & Carol Walker - December 08, 2020 at 12:43 PM

CW

“ *Chad & Carol Walker lit a candle in memory of Marilyn Jean Crittenden*



Chad & Carol Walker - December 08, 2020 at 12:40 PM