



Mary Berg Casto

July 23, 1934 - August 7, 2025

Mary Elizabeth Berg was born on July 23, 1934, to Edson Keith Berg and Helen Sauer Berg in Greencastle, Indiana.

She attended Russell School in Novelty, Ohio and Granger Sharon High School where she was a cheerleader for four years, graduating in 1952. Many of Mary's high school classmates are lifelong friends. Mary grew up on several family farms in Novelty, Rio Grande and Sharon Center, Ohio where she helped with daily farm chores. She was a responsible daughter, even milking cows before going to ball games to cheer and before prom! The work ethic instilled in her early years followed her through life.

Mary attended Bowling Green State University from 1952-1956 where she graduated with a degree in Early Childhood Education. She was an Alpha Xi Delta sister, was named Sweetheart of Sigma Chi and was a cheerleader at Bowling Green.

In 1957, Mary married her high school sweetheart, Jimmy A. Casto, in Akron, Ohio. While Jim went to Fort Sill, Oklahoma for Army basic training, Mary stayed home in Ohio and taught school in Fairlawn. After basic training, Mary and Jim moved to Hawaii where Ann was born and Mary taught at Redeemer Lutheran School. When Jim's service to the Army was completed, they moved

back to Ohio. They lived in Grandview and Mary substitute taught in Plain City.

After a cold winter, Jim accepted a job with Rutenberg Homes in Clearwater, Florida where his brother, Darrell, worked. Soon after, Cathy was born. They moved to Palm Beach County in 1962 with Rutenberg. Mary founded and taught at Faith Lutheran Church Kindergarten in North Palm Beach and was also an active member there. They lived in Palm Beach County for many years surrounded by great neighbors and fun times.

In 1970, Mary and Jim decided to move to the “country” as they missed the farms where they grew up. Jupiter was the place! Seeing the bell by the driveway made their decision easy. Over the years they had many animals including a horse, chickens, rabbits, opossum, racoons, dogs and many cats.

Mary volunteered with North County Ambulance as an EMT for 11 years during the 70’s and 80’s. She was involved with the kids’ activities including Girl Scouts and ballgames. Mary helped Jim with running Casto Homes from its inception until 2021. She will always be remembered for her friendly smile, optimism, attention to details and willingness to help with any task.

Mary loved Christmas and celebrating the holidays with family. She had five themed Christmas trees throughout the house. Mary loved to cook and loved family dinners. And, she was an avid reader. Mary always had a positive attitude and was the peacekeeper of the family. She loved unconditionally.

Mary is survived by her loving husband of 68 years, Jim; her children Ann Casto Duffy (Mike), Cathy Casto Vokoun (Tom) and James Keith Casto (Tina); her Grandchildren Mary Duffy, Matthew Duffy, Steven Vokoun and Christopher Casto; her brother, Edson Keith Berg and many nieces and nephews. She was predeceased by her brother, Spencer K. Berg and his wife, Nancy.

A Visitation will be held at Taylor & Modeen Funeral Home on Wednesday, August 20th, from 1:00pm-3:00pm and 6:00pm-8:00pm. The family invites you to dress casually and wear something bright and cheerful in memory of Mary's optimism and beautiful smile.

In lieu of flowers, please consider making a donation In Memory of Mary Casto to Busch Wildlife Sanctuary (17855 Rocky Pines Rd, Jupiter, FL 33478) <https://buschwildlife.networkforgood.com/projects/256882-in-memory-of-mary-casto>

Previous Events

Visitation

AUG **20**. 1:00 PM - 3:00 PM (ET)

Taylor & Modeen Funeral Home
250 Center Street
Jupiter, FL 33458
(561) 744-2030
<https://www.taylorandmodeenflorida.com>

Visitation

AUG **20**. 6:00 PM - 8:00 PM (ET)

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Tribute Wall

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“ *I'm memory of Mary,, We will miss all that you are, all that you were, and most of all, we will miss the effect you had on all of us at the Salon over the many years. Our deepest sympathies to your family!*
Denise / Beautique Total Body Salon

Denise Sokolowski - August 21, 2025 at 03:03 PM

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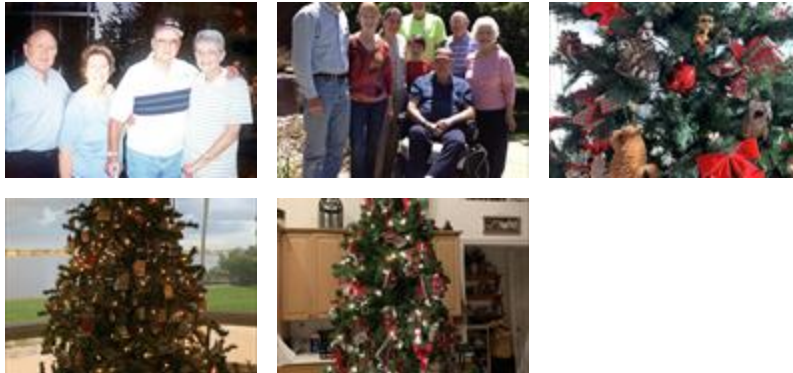
“ *Condolences from the family of Faye Kohlmeyer. Faye cherished Mary and Jim's enduring association and friendship.*



Fred Kohlmeyer - August 19, 2025 at 11:19 AM

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“ *11 files added to the album Family Photos*



Jeannie Sherman - August 18, 2025 at 04:19 PM

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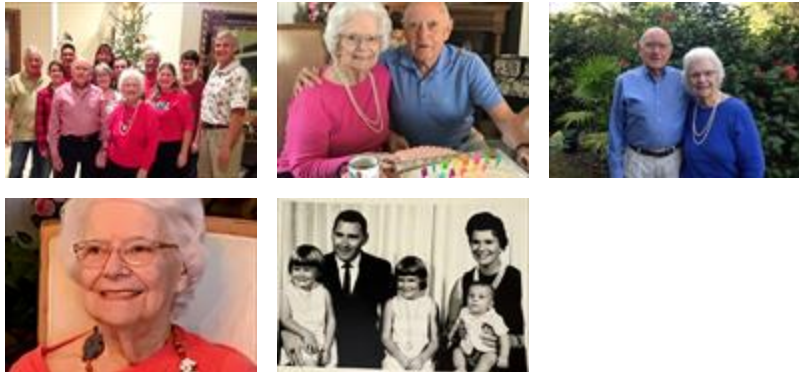
“ My condolences to the Casto Family. Working with Mary & Jim was good time and enjoying Mary's kind heart and soft demeanor. I will remember the Tuesday Morning breakfasts catching up on all the jobs and sharing an her interest in everything being done in the family business. Going to seminars and seeing the family annually was still a common occurrence even though I was not working there still. It is always nice to spend time with good people. Mary was the shining star. Always a caring and a good word for everyone like one of her children.



Daniel Morrow - August 15, 2025 at 03:56 PM



“ 7 files added to the album Family Photos



Taylor & Modeen Funeral Home - August 14, 2025 at 04:00 PM

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“ to all the Casto family and especially Jim, Our sincere condolences to you to you all and she is with out pain and not suffering but you all are in grief. She was a very special person and we sure enjoyed knowing the family and Mary. In 1962 we were married and visited Florida but we had to stop and see Casto family. She and children were there but Jim was at business. I remember that is the first time I met her and the children. Dale went to school with she and Jim, but over the years we lost track for our classmates. Finally after retirement we all got together again. They were so good to everyone. Mary was so active and cared about so many people in need. May she rest in peace, no more pain . Love to all the family classmate Dale and Faye Curtis

Faye Curtis - August 14, 2025 at 11:16 AM

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“ One of my fondest memories of Mary was when Jimmy and I were going to contractors licensing night school. We had to leave early so Jimmy would come to the office and pick me up. Every night Mary would give Jimmy and myself a small brown envelope with 8 quarters each. She called it our "milk money" so we could get vending machine snacks during break .
That's the kind of sweetheart she was.
To you, Jim, Anne, Cathy and Jimmy I offer my deepest sympathy.

Sharon Kachur - August 11, 2025 at 06:52 PM

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“ Mary was truly a special woman and I'm grateful to have known her. She had a warm, giving and caring heart. Mary's kindness will be missed by many. My condolences to Jim and her loving family.

Pat Prusak - August 11, 2025 at 01:54 PM