



Mrs. Mary Lee Leslie

July 27, 1941 - November 30, 2025

Mary Lee (Mary Lee White) Leslie, 84, passed away on November 30, 2025, surrounded by love. She was born on July 27, 1941, in Ogden, Utah, and lived a life rooted in faith, family, and quiet strength.

She met the love of her life, Norman Clifford Leslie, on a blind date, and just six weeks later, on July 1, 1961, they began a lifelong marriage marked by devotion and perseverance.

Mary Lee and Norman welcomed their first child, Thomas Clifford Leslie, on March 9, 1963. Their precious baby boy was called home the next day, a loss that shaped her heart forever. She went on to welcome four more children—Ted, Joanne, Mark, and Jennifer—each one a blessing she cherished deeply. Being a mother was her greatest calling. Her home was filled with love, faith, and the steady guidance that came from her belief in the Trinity: God the Father, Jesus the Son, and the Holy Spirit.

Though she worked outside of the home at times to help support her family, her purpose was always centered on being a devoted wife, homemaker, and mother. She was fully present in her children's lives, and she and Norman shared a special love for country music concerts, and family vacations that created lifelong memories.

Her beloved family include:

Ted and Tina Leslie, Stephanie (Leslie) and Stephen Tygard (parents of Natalee and Benjamin), Matthew Alan Leslie, and Megan Marie Leslie.

Joanne Leslie mother of Samantha Jo Castrone.

Mark and Joann Leslie parents of Jordyn Aniela Leslie and Peyton Nicole Leslie.

Jennifer Picariello mother of Amanda Lee Picariello (mother of Delilah Rae Picariello), Savanna Rae Picariello, and Jaycee Leslie Picariello.

Each one was precious to her. Mary Lee loved God and loved her family. Those two truths defined her life and the legacy she leaves behind.

A graveside service will be held Saturday, December 13 at 11:00 A.M. at Hopewell Memorial Gardens, 6005 South County Road 39, Plant City. In lieu of flowers, please make a donation to St. Jude's children hospital in her name. Expressions of condolence at HopewellFuneral.com.

Cemetery Details

Hopewell Memorial Gardens

6005 County Road 39 South
Plant City, FL 33567
(813) 737-3128
office@hopewellfuneral.com
<https://www.hopewellfuneral.com>

Previous Events

Graveside Service

DEC 13. 11:00 AM - 12:00 PM (ET)

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Tribute Wall

SF

“ Susan & Shaun Rabel and Family purchased the Arrive in Style for the family of Mrs. Mary Lee Leslie.



Susan & Shaun Rabel and Family - December 12, 2025 at 02:39 AM

JT

“ Jerry Lincoln & Theresa purchased the Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum for the family of Mrs. Mary Lee Leslie.



Jerry Lincoln & Theresa - December 11, 2025 at 09:50 AM

JT

“ Jerry Lincoln & Theresa planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Mrs. Mary Lee Leslie.

Jerry Lincoln & Theresa - December 11, 2025 at 09:50 AM

LB

“ Lynda B. planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Mrs. Mary Lee Leslie.

Lynda B. - December 10, 2025 at 01:30 PM

TT

“ Tom Mengoni, Tiffany, Franki and Tyler purchased the Gracious Lavender Basket for the family of Mrs. Mary Lee Leslie.



Tom Mengoni, Tiffany, Franki and Tyler - December 08, 2025 at 02:08 PM

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Tom Mengoni, Tiffany, Franki and Tyler - December 08, 2025 at 02:08 PM

RF

“ Rod and Family purchased the Peaceful White Lilies Basket for the family of Mrs. Mary Lee Leslie.



Rod and Family - December 03, 2025 at 10:24 PM