



Mary Jo LaValva

August 5, 1953 - November 25, 2025

Mary Jo LaValva, 72, of Pen Argyl and formerly of Bangor, passed away on Tuesday, November 25, 2025, in Nazareth.

Mary Jo was born in Easton, PA, the daughter of the late Joseph and Mary (Scagliotta) Giralico. She and her beloved husband John were married 51 years last June 1st.

She graduated from Bangor High School in 1971 and graduated from East Stroudsburg University with a B.S. in Education. She was a Reading teacher for the 4th grade at DeFranco Elementary School for over 25 years. She loved to shop and bake for her family.

She was a member of the Christ Presbyterian Church of the Slate Belt.

In addition to her husband, John, she is survived by a daughter, Janelle Lechman, and her husband, Nicholas, and three grandchildren: Jonathan, Grady, and Maren. She was predeceased by a sister, Enrica " Ricki" Romig. Services will be private and at the convenience of the Family. Services are under the care of the Fiore Funeral Home, 230 Market Street, Bangor. Online condolences may be offered at WWW.fiorefuneralhome.com

Tribute Wall

JB

“ John, Just now learned of Mary Jo passing, and would like to extend our sympathy. Sincerely, Judi & Bill Brugler

Judi Brugler - December 03, 2025 at 09:33 AM

JM

“ Dear John, Janelle, Nick and family,
I am so very heartbroken to hear about Mary Jo. She was always so sweet and kind to me and I enjoyed a few times I was able to see and chat with her. A sweet, young soul taken way too soon. Take comfort in all your loving memories.

Bless You All

Joanne Merolla - November 28, 2025 at 08:33 PM

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“ Dear John and family, I am totally heartbroken to hear about Mary Jo . i had no idea that she had passed. My deepest sympathy to you and your family. Peace be with you.

Patty Snoddy - November 28, 2025 at 04:51 PM