



# Mrs. Mary Stella Sarvis

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**S**ARVIS, Mary Stella, 84, of Tampa, departed this life on Wednesday, October 14, 2009, to join the Lord and her beloved husband, John S. Sarvis, who preceded her in death by 34 years. A second generation Tampa native, Mary served 40 years as an elementary teacher with the Hillsborough County school system. Her credo was "to teach is to touch a life forever". After retirement, Mary was active in numerous organizations throughout the Tampa Bay area including Pan American University Women, Davis Islands Garden Club, Sons of Italy Nuova Sicilia Lodge, and Las Damas. Her hobbies included crochet, doll making, sewing, bingo, and playing cards. In addition, Mary loved to travel to places such as Italy, Spain, Sweden, central Europe, Canada, the Bahamas, and Las Vegas twice a year to play the slots and video poker.

She is survived by her son, Brett, and daughter, Melanie, both of Tampa.

The family would like to thank the staffs and nurses of Stratford Court at Palm Harbor, Ascentia Home Health Care, Alliance Care at Home, Melissa Schultz, 5th floor North Wing of St. Josephs' Hospital, and Melech Hospice House for their care and support over the last 2 years of her time with us. A celebration of her life will be held between 6 - 8 pm on Tuesday, October 20, at the funeral home located at 4730 N. Armenia Ave. Services will take place at 12:30 pm on Wednesday, October 21, at the funeral home with interment to follow at Myrtle Hill Memorial Park.

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## Tribute Wall

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JE

**Jan Engel** posted:

Brett and Melanie, I can still hear your Mom's very distinctive, sweet voice. A wonderful memory from my childhood. I am sure that she and Uncle Junior(John, as she called him) are dancing together in heaven. Another memory from my childhood is of the two of them in their living room, she rubbing his head and he laughing and then the two of them dancing around the room while your mom hummed a tune. It is always hard to say goodbye to someone you love, but there is comfort in knowing that they are together again and that now you have two guardian angels watching over you. Our deepest sympathies to you both. Love, Jan, Lee, Savannah and Alexa Engel

October 20 at 12:34 PM

JS

**Jack Smith** posted:

Dear Brett and Melanie, I know that you miss your Mother dearly, and will miss her for a long time. However, as time passes, the hurt will become less painful and you can go on with your lives. Aunt Mary was a wonderful lady who loved us all and we loved her back. She was a kind and caring lady who loved her family, all of us, and it showed. We will all miss her. We thank her for being in our lives. May God bless you with his mercy. Jack and Charlotte

October 20 at 3:52 AM

WR

**William Reed** posted:

On behalf of the entire staff of Boza & Roel Funeral Home, please accept our sincere condolences.

October 19 at 6:02 AM



# Memories only last if you share them

Join us in honoring Mary by contributing to a collection of shared memories.



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