



Mary Jane (Whipple) Roof

October 26, 1944 - January 16, 2026

Mary Jane (Whipple) Roof, 81, of 2785 River Road, Wysox, Standing Stone Township, PA passed away Friday, January 16, 2026, at the Robert Packer Hospital, Sayre, PA. Mary Jane was born in Sayre on October 26, 1944, the daughter of Ora and Hilda (Garris) Whipple. She was a graduate of Athens High School and in early years was employed by Sayre Lingerie, Main Street Towanda Super Store, and Ames Department Store in Towanda. She also provided home care for her grandchildren and great grandchildren.

Mary Jane was a member of Christ Episcopal Church, Towanda, Wysox-Sheshequin Grange No. 58, and was a former member of the Relax Square Dancing Club of Elmira, NY, the PEN-NY Promenader's Square Dance Club of Sayre, and in prior years served as a 4-H Leader. Mary Jane and her husband Robert proudly served as foster grandparents for many years.

She is survived by her children; Bryan Keith Roof (British) of Sayre, Robert Lee Roof (Crystal) of Standing Stone, Dawn Marie Stump and husband Tom of Standing Stone, Tara Jane Roof (Jamie) of Canton, Kaitlyn Marie Ann Roof of Standing Stone, Katrina Joleen Roof Wilkinson (Levi) of Sayre, 9 grandchildren, 12 great grandchildren, brother, Ora Whipple of Waverly, sister, JoAnn Bohlayer of Sayre, sisters-in-law, Cathy Whipple of Milan, Joanne King of Natchez, MS, sister-in-law and brother-in-law, Sarah Cornell and husband Thomas of Binghamton, NY, several nieces, nephews, and cousins.

In addition to her parents, Mary Jane was predeceased by her husband, Robert Burleigh Roof on November 10, 2016, great granddaughter, Emma

Nevaeh Robinson, daughter-in-law, Stacy Marie Roof, brother and sister-in-law, Richard and Marlena Whipple, sister and brother-in-law, Esther and Marcus Frisbie, brother, David Whipple and sister-in-law, Delores Whipple, and brother-in-law, Fred Bohlayer.

The family will receive friends Thursday, January 22, 2026, from 4:00 to 5:00 p.m. with a memorial service to follow at 5:00 p.m. at the Maryott-Bowen Funeral Home 217 York Ave. Towanda, PA with Rev. Betsy Sentigar, Rector of Christ Episcopal Church, Towanda, officiating.

The family suggests that contributions be directed to Christ Episcopal Church, 1 Main St. Towanda, PA 18848 in memory of Mary Jane (Whipple) Roof.

Memories and condolences may be expressed by visiting www.bowenfuneralhomes.com.

Previous Events

Receive Friends

JAN 22. 4:00 PM - 5:00 PM (ET)

Maryott-Bowen Funeral Home
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Towanda, PA 18848
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Service

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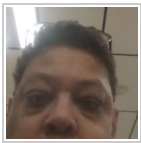
Tribute Wall



“ Sending sincere Sympathy to Rob, and kids, Chrystal & all the Family from your friends at Connie's Market. 🙏



Elizabeth Miller - January 22 at 06:38 PM



“ I grew up in the church with Mary jane and her and I worked on some church events together she was always a good supporter after my mom died she would see me and ask if there was anything she could do for me I will always remember her for the very kind lady she was my thoughts and prayers go out to her entire family and to everyone at church who loved Mary Jane rest in peace Mary Jane and I'm s better person for having known you ever since I was little in the church

Michelle Bull - January 22 at 04:56 PM



“ Country Basket Blooms was purchased for the family of Mary Jane (Whipple) Roof.



January 21 at 08:08 PM

LK

“ Love, Steph, Greg, Michelle, and kids planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Mary Jane (Whipple) Roof.

Love, Steph, Greg, Michelle, and kids - January 21 at 08:08 PM

DS

“ Dorothy Shay Sauro lit a candle in memory of Mary Roof



Dorothy Shay Sauro - January 20 at 01:04 PM

DS

“ My beautiful mamma I will miss our weekend morning coffees give daddy a hug for me. Until we meet again know I love you



Dawn M Stump - January 19 at 08:04 PM

AJ

“ Aunt Jackie purchased the Beautiful in Blue for the family of Mary Jane (Whipple) Roof.



Aunt Jackie - January 19 at 06:56 PM