

Mary Ann Shaffer

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Naturally curly hair is a curse, and don't ever let anyone tell you different.

~Mary Ann Shaffer

I have gone to [this bookshop] for years, always finding the one book I wanted - and then three more I hadn't known I wanted.

~Mary Ann Shaffer

I don't want to be married just to be married. I can't think of anything lonelier than spending the rest of my life with someone I can't talk to, or worse, someone I can't be silent with.

~Mary Ann Shaffer

I think you learn more if you're laughing at the same time.

~Mary Ann Shaffer

The first rule of snooping is to come at it sideways.

~Mary Ann Shaffer

Perhaps there is some secret sort of homing instinct in books that brings them to their perfect readers. How delightful if that were true.

~Mary Ann Shaffer

one year as his wife, and id have become one of those abject, quaking women who look at their husbands when someone asks them a question. I've always despised that type, but I see how it happens now

~Mary Ann Shaffer

Men are more interesting in books than they are in real life.

~Mary Ann Shaffer

I hope, too, that my book will illuminate my belief that love of art - be it poetry, storytelling, painting, sculpture, or music - enables people to transcend any barrier man has yet devised.

~Mary Ann Shaffer

Reading good books ruins you for enjoying bad books.

~Mary Ann Shaffer

My worries travel around in my head on their well worn path

~Mary Ann Shaffer

If there is Predestination, then God is the devil. by Remy, Ravensbruck concentration camp survivor

~Mary Ann Shaffer

Life goes on." What nonsense, I thought, of course it doesn't. It's death that goes on.

~Mary Ann Shaffer

Treat a dog right and he'll treat you right - he'll keep you company, be your friend, never ask you no questions. Cats is different, but I never held that against them.

~Mary Ann Shaffer

She is one of those ladies who is more beautiful at sixty than she could possibly have been at twenty. (how I hope someone says that about me someday)!

~Mary Ann Shaffer

This obsession with dignity can ruin your life if you let it.

~Mary Ann Shaffer

Then i imagined a lifetime of having to cry to get him to be kind, and I went back to no again.

~Mary Ann Shaffer

In a good mood I call my hair Chestnut with Gold Glints. In a bad mood,

I call it mousy brown

~Mary Ann Shaffer

Miss X has always been a ditherer -- she was a ten month baby and has not improved in any material way since then.

~Mary Ann Shaffer

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I sometimes think I prefer suitors in books rather than right in front of me. How awful, backward, cowardly, and mentally warped that will be if it turns out to be true.

~Mary Ann Shaffer

I don't know whether to feel flattered or hunted.

~Mary Ann Shaffer

Light griefs are loquacious, but the great are dumb.

~Mary Ann Shaffer

People don't know how chickens can turn on you, but they can -- just like mad dogs.

~Mary Ann Shaffer

Women like poetry. A soft word in their ears and they melt - a grease spot on the grass.

~Mary Ann Shaffer

Moses: God or crowd control?!?

~Mary Ann Shaffer

Do you suppose the St. Swithin's furnace-man was my one true love? Since I never spoke to him, it seems unlikely, but at least it was a

passion unscathed by disappointment.

~Mary Ann Shaffer

I am to cover the philosophical side of the debate and so far my only thought is that reading keeps you from going gaga.

~Mary Ann Shaffer

Humour is the best way to make the unbearable bearable.

~Mary Ann Shaffer

We read books, talked books, argued over books and became dearer and dearer to one another.

~Mary Ann Shaffer

Think of it! We could have gone on longing for one another and pretending not to notice forever. This obsession with dignity can ruin your life if you let it.

~Mary Ann Shaffer

Reading keeps you from going ga-ga.

~Mary Ann Shaffer

His writings have made me his friend.

~Mary Ann Shaffer

After all, what's good enough for Austen ought to be good enough for anyone.

~Mary Ann Shaffer

Do you arrange your books alphabetically? (I hope not.)

~Mary Ann Shaffer

Your questions regarding that gentleman are very delicate, very subtle, very much like being smacked in the head with a mallet...it's a tuba

among the flutes.

~Mary Ann Shaffer

He had no imagination either-fatal for one engaged in child-rearing

~Mary Ann Shaffer

“What a blight that woman is. Do you happen to know why? I lean toward a malignant fairy at her christening.

~Mary Ann Shaffer

I much prefer whining to counting my blessings.

~Mary Ann Shaffer

Isola doesn't approve of small talk and believes in breaking the ice by stomping on it.

~Mary Ann Shaffer

Those times, I tried to think of something happy, something I'd liked - but not something I loved, for that made it worse.

~Mary Ann Shaffer

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