

THOSE PASSED FROM THE CLASS OF 1950

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Gerald Bever (2008 — 4/6/2008)
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Lawrence Graszler (2004 — 12/31/2004)
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Theresa HOSEY Gorman (2012 — 12/31/2012)
James "Jim" William Howell (2022 -- 1/15/2022)
Donald Hoyt (1992 — 10/15/1992)
Duane "Keith" Ingalls (1985 NO OTHER INFORMATION WAS AVAILABLE.)
Roger L. Kempf (2005 -- 7/20/2005)
Herman George Koos (2016 — 5/7/2016)
William A. Korroch (2020 -- 6/5/2020)
Leo A. Lawless (2015 — 5/27/2015)
Betty LINDERMAN Traen (2013 — 10/16/2013)
Jeane MAIER Post (2013 — 12/20/2013)
Ernestine MARKLE Abbruzzee (2016 — 1/6/2016)

Wayne Martens (1991 — 6/2/1991)
Ralph Merritt (NO OTHER INFORMATION WAS AVAILABLE.)
Clyde Miles (1967 — 12/5/1967)
Josephine Morrison (NO OTHER INFORMATION WAS AVAILABLE.)
Bernard Metteer Nicholaisen (2019 -- 5/7/2019)
Phyllis L. Osborn (2009 — 8/15/2009)
Wilson J. Parker (2018 — 10/17/2018)
Donna Dortress PEIFFER Sweet (2023 -- 3/19/2023)
Charles Peiffer (2022 -- 4/28/2022)
Roger Perry (2006 NO OTHER INFORMATION WAS AVAILABLE.)
Richard Pylman (2013 — 2/15/2013)
Howard Reedy (2006 NO OTHER INFORMATION WAS AVAILABLE.)
Edward Russell Richmond, Jr. (2023 -- 1/9/2023)
Dema ROOT Wright (2011 — 2/15/2011)
Meredith RYSDAM Wawiernia Schelter (2019 -- 10/26/2019)
Duane Sheren (2014 — 9/3/2014)
Vincent A. Tegels (2011 — 3/9/2011)
Robert Lee Waldo (2024 -- 3/4/2024)
Patricia Louise WAY Hazen (2020 -- 5/12/2020)
Lucille Wells (NO OTHER INFORMATION WAS AVAILABLE.)
Larry Winans (2005 — 11/29/2005)



Yvonne Abell Koos

DATE OF PASSING: 4/27/2019

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Yvonne L. Koos, 86, of Grand Ledge, MI, passed away April 27, 2019 in Lansing, MI. She was born November 13, 1932 in Weidman, MI, daughter to Ivan and Elsie (Lawrence) Abell. Yvonne was a local beautician for many years; certified and published genealogist, and a longtime member of Immanuel Lutheran Church, Grand Ledge. She enjoyed being a Den Mother for Cub Scouts, sewing and quilting.



Yvonne is survived by her son Frederick (Judy) Koos, daughter Bonnie Koos; 3 grandchildren: Missy Koos, Craig and Chad Schadewald, 2 great grandchildren, Colin Murphy and Addison Schadewald, and sister-in-law Melba Kohler. She was preceded in death by her husband of 65 years, Herman and brother Lawrence Abell. A funeral service will be held Monday, May 6, 2019 – 11:00 A.M. at the Immanuel Lutheran Church, 517 S. Clinton St., Grand Ledge, with Pastor Chuck Foerster officiating. Interment will follow at Oakwood Cemetery, Grand Ledge. The family will receive friends Sunday, May 5th from 6-8 p.m. at Peters & Murray Funeral Home, Grand Ledge. Memorial contributions may be made to Immanuel Lutheran Church or Hospice of Lansing. Online condolences may be made at www.petersandmurrayfuneralhome.com.



Rhoda J. Antcliff Reedy

November 15, 1932 — April 13, 2021 (Aged 88)

Rhoda J. Reedy, 88, of Punta Gorda, FL, formerly of Grand Ledge, passed away peacefully at home on April 13, 2021. She was born November 15, 1932 in Stanton, MI, daughter of Ralph and Helen (Woodhall) Antcliff. Rhoda was a graduate of Grand Ledge High School, Beauty College, and Lansing Community College. She retired from L.C.C. as department secretary and was a member of the Grand Ledge Chapter 14 Order of the Eastern Star. She enjoyed bowling, golfing, playing the organ, knitting, crochet, crosswords, sewing, and gardening.

She was preceded in death by her parents, husband of 57 years, Howard, sons Jeffery and Robert; grandson William, brother Ronald Antcliff and sister Ruth Congdon.

She is survived by her son and daughter-in-law, Kenneth (Carolyn) Reedy of Gaylord, daughter-in-law Rhonda Graham of Mt. Pleasant, daughter-in-law Caroline Reedy of Grand Ledge; granddaughters Reva (James) Carpenter, Andrea (Kevin) Wetherbee; grandsons: Bryan Reedy, Michael (Ruth) Reedy, Casey (Stephanie) Reedy, Christopher (Laura) Reedy, 8 great grandchildren; sisters Jessie Perry, Gladys Beach, Susan (William) Brooks, Inez DeJongh, Karen Nagel and brother Ralph (Bonnie) Antcliff.



Funeral services will be held at 12:00 p.m. on Thursday, April 22, 2021 at Peters & Murray Funeral Home, Grand Ledge, with visitation from 11:00 a.m. until service time. COVID 19 protocols, including the requirement of masks at all times will be observed. Memorial contributions in memory of Rhoda Reedy may be given to the American Cancer Society <https://donate3.cancer.org/> Online condolences may be shared at www.petersandmurrayfuneralhome.com



Ronald N. Armstrong

Class of 1950

DATE OF PASSING: 4/12/2016

Ronald N. Armstrong -- Mt. Pleasant

Ronald N. Armstrong of Mt. Pleasant formerly of Grand Ledge, Michigan passed away April 11, 2016. He was born November 17, 1932 in Grand Ledge to the late Ernest E. and Ivy M. (North) Armstrong. Ron was a 1950 Graduate of Grand Ledge High School and was a Korean War Veteran and served two tours in the Army. Ron Later worked at Oldsmobile as an office clerk. He then moved to Isabella County, Michigan and became a Park Ranger.

He loved the outdoors and enjoyed writing poems and short stories. His stories were mostly about the outdoors and anecdotes related to his life experiences which usually contained many humorous events. Some poems were published in various journals.

His other passions were taking care of his cats, helping neighbors and eating buffets at the Ponderosa Restaurant. The family would like to thank the staff of Hospice House of Mid-Michigan for the excellent care and support they provided for Ron and his family.

He is survived by children, Penny M. (Duane) Laney, Richard R. (Deborah), Catherine J. and Barry A. Armstrong; 8 grandchildren; siblings, Marty (Gail) Shoemaker, Bonnie L. Davison, Douglas D. and Mike E. Armstrong. Ron was preceded in death by brother, Gilbert M. Armstrong.

A graveside service with military honors was held Friday, April 15, 2016, 1:00pm at Oakwood Cemetery, Grand Ledge. Memorial contributions may be given to the Isabella County Parks, 200 N. Main St., Mt. Pleasant, MI 48858. Arrangements by the Holihan-Atkin-Barclay Funeral Home, Grand Ledge. Share your memories and condolences online at www.holihanatkin.com



Linna Mae Austin

December 2, 1930 — April 19, 1952 (Aged 21)

Birth: Grand Ledge, Eaton, Michigan, United States

Death: Ann Arbor, Washtenaw County, Michigan, United States



Elgeva Joyce Avery Pingel

July 30, 1933 — October 29, 2002 (Aged 69)

Elgeva Joyce Avery Pingel age 69, born July 30, 1933 and passed away October 29, 2002. She was a graduate of the Grand Ledge High School Class of 1950. She married her high school sweetheart Herbert Carroll Pingel and were married for for 51 years at the time of her passing on October 29, 2002.

Mrs. Pingel had seven children Gary, Vicki, Linda, Julie, Larry, Theresa and David, 14 grandchildren, and 18 great grandchildren.

She resided in Eagle her entire life. She loved playing duplicate bridge at the Lansing Bridge Club. Spent her summers enjoying time at the lake with busy weekends and it was very common that many of the children and grandchildren would visit most weekends.

She developed cancer the last year and passed peacefully during the night.



Laverne Baker

Class of 1950

DATE OF PASSING: UNKNOWN

NO OTHER INFORMATION WAS AVAILABLE.



Gerald D. Bever

Class of 1950

DATE OF PASSING: 4/6/2008

Gerald D. Bever of Charlotte passed away April 6, 2008. Gerald was born June 5, 1930 to Clifford H. and Marion (Gearhart) Bever in Lansing, Michigan. He was a 1950 graduate of Grand ledge High School. Gerald was a hard worker, he retired from General Motors Plant 3 after thirty-seven years of service, was involved in farming and part of the army National Guard. Beloved husband of Edna for 57 years. Loving father of Jerry Lee of North Carolina, Terry (Pat) of Morrice, Tony (Olivia) Reed of Charlotte, Marilyn (Ken) Aseltine of Mulliken, Carolyn (Laslo) Lennart of Illinois, Mary Kay Bever of Kalamazoo, and Deborah (Rick) Zamarron of Grand Ledge. 14 grandchildren. 24½ great grandchildren. Brother of Barbara Pittenger of St. Johns and the late Kendall Bever. Best friend of Fred Marquardt. He will be missed by the McDonald's coffee club and man's best friend "Laredo".

A funeral service will be held Thursday, April 10, 2008, 1:00 P.M. at the Holihan-Atkin Funeral Home, Grand Ledge with Pastor Jeff Dowell and Pastor Rick Yancey officiating. Interment to follow at Delta Center Cemetery, Delta Township, Eaton County, Michigan. The family will receive friends Wednesday at the funeral home from 1-4:00 P.M. and 6-9:00 P.M.





Rose Helen BONOFIGLIO Fabiano

Birth: 1931 — Death: 1961 (Aged 29–30)

Burial: Pilgrim Home Cemetery
Holland, Ottawa County, Michigan, USA

(1961 - NO OTHER INFORMATION WAS AVAILABLE.)



Loren Francis Challender

DATE OF PASSING: 4/27/2009

Class of 1950

Loren Francis Challender, age 76, died April 27, 2009; born June 12, 1932 in Grand Ledge MI. Mr. Challender is survived by Christa Schmidt-Challender; 8 children; many grandchildren, great-grandchildren and a host of nieces and nephews. Loren will be missed by all. Memorial services will be held Saturday, May 2, 3:00 p.m. at 13383 Nelson Road, Bath, MI 48808. The family is being served by the Gorsline Runciman Funeral Homes, Lansing, MI.



Weston E. Compton

DATE OF PASSING: 8/28/2012

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Weston E. Compton fell asleep in death on August 28, 2012 at his residence in Mission, Texas at the age of 79. He was born in Mulliken, Michigan February 13, 1933. He was preceded in death by his son, Steven, parents Beatrice Marlow and Earl Compton, and sister, Sharon Wardell. He is survived by his loving family; wife Pattie, daughters Marie (Charles) Hendrickson, Kathy (Jim Klinkhammer) Compton, and son Mark (Jean) Compton, five grandchildren, and eight great grandchildren. He served in the Navy for over three years and in the Army Reserves for several years. He retired from the U.S. Post Office (Lansing) after 33 years. He was a member of the Masons, Moose, and Elk Lodges. He owned and operated "Country Air Riding Stables" in Grand Ledge for many years. In his retired years he was an avid golfer.

A Memorial Service for him will be held on July 21st, 2013 at 1:00 at the Grand Ledge Masonic Temple (200 W. River St., Grand Ledge). Cremation has taken place, therefore, in lieu of flowers any memorials may be made in his name to your favorite charity.



Richard C. Dible

DATE OF PASSING: 3/9/2016

Class of 1950

Richard was born on September 5, 1932 and passed away on Wednesday, March 9, 2016.

Richard was a resident of Grand Ledge, Michigan at the time of passing.

He graduated from Grand Ledge High School Class of 1950 and attended banking school at the University of Wisconsin-Madison.

Richard was married to Connie.

A memorial service will be held Saturday March 12 2016 at 11:00 am at the First Congregation United Church of Christ 210 W. Saginaw Hwy. Grand Ledge MI 48837 with The Reverend Nicolette L. Siragusa officiating. Memorial contributions may be given to the Grand Ledge First Congregational UCC.



Patty Jean Dick Gill

Class of 1950

Patty Jean Dick Gill

DATE OF PASSING: 2/26/2016

God called Patty's name and she went to be with our Lord on February 26, 2016 after suffering complications of congestive heart failure. She was born to R. LaVern and Martha Dick on August 22, 1932 in Grand Ledge, MI. She was preceded in death by her parents, her brothers and sisters-in-law Austin (Dorothy), Walter (Beulah), Larry (Lois), Clete and Wayne (Shirley) Dick, her sisters and brothers-in-law Irene (Jim) Gibson and Lydia (Jack) Jorgensen VanWyck, brothers-in-law Wendell Clinton and Eugene Gill and beloved son, Donald E. Harley Jr.



She is survived and will be dearly missed by her husband of 45 years Charles Daniel Gill, her daughter-in-law Eadie Harley, son Tom (Mary) Harley, daughter Jan (Tom) Theis and son Paul (Leslie) Gill. Also surviving are grandchildren Donald E. Harley III, Rachel (Brandon) Smith, Amy L. Harley, Crystal (Matthew) Cobb, Eric C. Theis, Justin J. Theis, Christopher (Katy) Gill, Jennifer Gill and Lauren (John) Brannon; great grandchildren, Makenzie (Cullen Egan) Grimmer, Alexis Harley and Donald E. Harley IV, Makenna and Blake Smith, Cody, Luke and Cade Cobb, Ashley (Dakota) Sands, Brooke Evans and Brittney (Scotty) Harrison; great-great grandchildren, Willem Egan and Allie Marie Harrison.

As a Navy wife, Pat lived in Iceland, Guam, Hawaii, Alaska, and Washington, D.C. With her outgoing personality she took great pleasure in entertaining friends and she and Charlie enjoyed many happy adventures together. Pat worked for the Civil Government in several capacities including supply acquisition at the Pentagon. Following Charlie's retirement they moved to their home of 26 years on Big Lake in Ewart, MI. She had a great love for sewing, cooking and, of course, playing the slots and bingo. But most of all, she enjoyed spending time with Charlie and their family.

She was a wonderful friend to us all and was always ready to share her kindness. She will be missed by her special sisters-in-law Eileen Dick and Mary Clinton. Also surviving are brother-in-law Ray (Martha) Gill, sisters-in-law Susan (Larry) Lucas, Melanie Miller and many dear nieces, nephews and friends both in Michigan and around the world.

A Mass of Christian Burial will be celebrated on Thursday, March 3, 2016, 11:00am at St. Michael Catholic Church, Grand Ledge by the Reverend Fr. James Eisele. Rite of Committal will follow at Oakwood Cemetery. Visitation will be Wednesday from 2-4pm and 6-8pm with a Scripture Service at 7:30pm at the Holihan-Atkin-Barclay Funeral Home, Grand Ledge. Memorial contributions may be given to St. Michael Catholic Church, 345 Edwards Street, Grand Ledge, Michigan 48837, Sparrow Foundation, Hospice House of Mid-Michigan, 1110 E. Michigan Avenue, P.O. Box 30480, Lansing, Michigan 48909 or The American Heart Association, 2140 University park Drive, Suite 210, Okemos, Michigan 48864.



Marilyn Dills Lyons

Class of 1950

Marilyn Dills Lyons -- Muskegon

DATE OF PASSING: 2/22/2017

Marilyn Audrey (Dills) Lyons, age 84, of Muskegon, MI passed away on Thursday February 2, 2017 at Trillium Woods Hospice in Bryon Center, MI. Marilyn was born in Lansing, MI, attended Grand Ledge High School and graduated from GRSBM where she also met her future husband, Charles Lyons. She and Charles (Chuck) married in 1955 and settled in Lansing where Marilyn was a homemaker raising five children before taking on the role of an elementary school teacher's aide at Bingham Street School, where all of her children attended. She loved nature, books, music ~ esp songs of faith, and enjoyed handcrafting her own cards. Marilyn was preceded in death by her husband, Charles F. Lyons; daughter, A. Renee Lyons, and sister, Gayla Schier. She is survived by her brother, Paul (Lois) Dills; daughters, Karie (Jim) Brunk and Sarah (Scott) Lingenfelter; sons, Evan (Noel) Lyons and Nathan (Jennifer) Lyons; grandsons, James and Alex Brunk, Jacob and Andrew Lyons, and Samuel Mace.



According to her wishes, Marilyn will be cremated; a memorial service will be held at a later date. Marilyn will be remembered for her heartfelt faith over the course of a life rich with experience, many lasting friendships, and a deep love for her children and grandchildren.



Bruce A. Dixon

Class of 1950

Bruce A. Dixon -- Grand Ledge

DATE OF PASSING: 6/14/2010

Bruce A. Dixon, age 77, born July 27, 1932 in Eaton County, MI, passed away June 14, 2010 in Lansing, MI. He retired from the State of Michigan after 38 years of service; graduated from Grand Ledge High School, Class of 1950; was a Past Master and member of the Masonic Lodge #412; member of the Lansing Motorcycle Club, and also a 4H Leader. Bruce enjoyed collecting tractors and most of all loved his grandchildren and spending time with family. Survivors include his loving wife of 53 years, Beverly G. and their sons, David E. (Cindy) Dixon of Kinsley, MI and Jon A. (Linda) Dixon of Grant, MI; six grandchildren: Tom, Tim, Bruce, Scott, David Dixon, and Anna (Matt) Doyle, and many nieces and nephews. He was preceded in death by his parents, Roy and Amanda (Schneeberger) Dixon; sister, Beatrice E. Slee; and brother, Kenneth Dixon. Funeral services will be held Friday, June 18, 2010 - 11:00 a.m. at the Peters & Murray Funeral Home, Grand Ledge, with Rev. Roy Atherton officiating. Interment will follow at Oakwood Cemetery, Grand Ledge. The family will receive friends Thursday 2-4 and 6-8 p.m. at the funeral home. Memorial contributions may be made to the Eaton Community Hospice in memory of Bruce Dixon. Online condolences may be made at www.petersandmurrayfuneralhome.com.



Norine Mae Doxie Enness

Class of 1950

Birth 23 May 1930
Grand Ledge, Eaton County, Michigan, USA
Death 11 Sep 2006 (aged 76)
Lansing, Ingham County, Michigan, USA
Burial: Chapel Hill Memorial Gardens
De Witt, Clinton County, Michigan, USA

DATE OF PASSING: 9/11/2006



Robert T. Edgar

Class of 1950

Robert T. Edgar -- Kalamazoo

DATE OF PASSING: 3/38/2016

Robert T. Edgar, of Kalamazoo, age 83, died March 28, 2016 at his home. He was born July 24, 1932 in Grand Ledge, the son of James and Edith (Adams) Edgar. Bob worked the sidelines at MSU Football games for 30 years, and for 28 years for the State of Michigan as a property manager.

Preceded in death by his wife Allyn "Lyn" Edgar in 2008, 2 sons: Kevin and Michael and by 5 siblings: Roberta, Edith, James, Jake and Virginia. Surviving are 5 children: Victoria (Karl) Erickson, Tim Edgar, Todd Edgar, John Edgar and Robert (Connie) Edgar; 10 grandchildren; 7 great-grandchildren and many nieces and nephews.

Visit with family and friends while sharing food and drinks on Wednesday from 5-8PM at the Life Story Funeral Home, Betzler-Kalamazoo, 6080 Stadium Drive; 269-375-2900. Mass of Christian Burial will be celebrated Thursday 10:30 AM at St. Joseph Catholic Church followed by lunch in the church hall. Visit Bob's personal web page at www.lifestorynet.com. Memorials to St. Joseph Catholic Church.



Robert Clarence Elcoate

November 9, 1932 — April 10, 2021 (Aged 88)

Robert (R.C./Bob) was born in Jackson, Michigan to parents Blanche Burton and William Elcoate, Jr., and welcomed home by his big brother William B. Elcoate.

He attended school in Jackson and Grand Ledge, Michigan, proudly served in the U.S. Coast Guard and graduated from Northern Michigan University.

Professionally, Bob was an entrepreneur with his Insurance Agency in Petoskey, MI and his Travel Agency/Bicycle Shop in Manistique, MI. He was consistently highly active in community support programs and service organizations including more than five decades as a Rotarian. As a Rotarian, he opened his home and family to the International Youth Exchange Program and made friends from all over the world. He was a dedicated member of the Episcopal Church. Throughout his life, Bob enjoyed playing competitive tennis, bicycling, skiing, golfing, international travel and so many memorable fun family hiking and camping adventures.

As a fun loving and humble man, he is loved and remembered by his family: Lifelong partner of 70 years, Diane Reeder Elcoate; his children, Deborah and Timothy Lords, Michael and Stacey Elcoate; his grandchildren Meghann and Cale Csizmadi and Nathaniel Lords, and great-grandchild Isaac. His son Christopher Jon Elcoate preceded his father in death.

His family is grateful for the kindness and care he was shown over the last few years by his friends and community; especially the caring, compassionate staff of Jacobetti Home for Veterans. Memorials in Bob's name may be directed to Jacobetti Home for Veterans Resident Activity Fund.

Fausett Family Funeral Homes is assisting the family. Condolences may be left on their website at www.Fausettfh.com.



Ordelia Fisher

Class of 1950

NO OTHER INFORMATION WAS AVAILABLE.

DATE OF PASSING: UNKNOWN



William Freeman

Class of 1950

NO OTHER INFORMATION WAS AVAILABLE.

DATE OF PASSING: UNKNOWN



James McCall Merrill Granger

DATE OF PASSING: 7/7/2015

Class of 1950

Jim Granger passed away on September 7th, 2015 after several years of illness. He was preceded in death by his dear wife Mary who passed on July 6th, 2015.

Jim was born November 14th, 1932, in Lansing, Michigan, the second of three children born to Sylvester Brown Granger and Josephine Elizabeth Merrill Granger of Grand Ledge, Michigan. He met Mary at Michigan State College where they were both students and where he was a member of

Beta Theta Pi fraternity.

After graduation, he was commissioned as a 2nd Lt. in the US Air Force and became a pilot, flying B25s and C54s. He left the Air Force with the rank of Captain and moved his family back to Grand Ledge where he started his own business. In 1963 he moved his family to the island of Montserrat in the Caribbean. During the 11 years they lived there, Jim owned a customs brokerage/freight forwarding company and managed farming and cattle ranching interests.

Returning to the US, he operated a cattle ranch in Montana for several years. Jim and Mary moved to Tallahassee in 1978 and this was to be their home until their passing. Jim owned a real estate company before joining PRIDE of Florida where he worked until his retirement. He was very involved in St. John's Episcopal Church, where he served as Junior Warden, was a member of the Tower Bellringers Guild, and a founding member of the Men's Breakfast. His love of music compelled him to devote countless hours to the church's acquisition of the C. B. Fisk Opus 127 organ and additional bells for the Lewis Chime. He served on the board of the Tallahassee Bach Parley and was a strong supporter of the Tallahassee Symphony Orchestra. He was also a member of the Economics Club and the Governors Club.

Jim is survived by his children Robert William Granger (Kathy), Kathryn Elizabeth Haines (David), James Aaron Granger (Patricia); six grandchildren; and four great-grandchildren.

A memorial service will be held at St. John's Episcopal Church on Saturday, October 10, 2015, at 2 p.m. In lieu of flowers, the family asks that donations be made in his name to the Tallahassee Bach Parley String Academy Scholarship Fund at P.O. Box 1202, Tallahassee, FL 32302 or to St. John's Episcopal Church.



Lawrence Graszler

DATE OF PASSING: 12/31/2004

Class of 1950

NO OTHER INFORMATION WAS AVAILABLE.



Ruth Halsted Dewitt

DATE OF PASSING: 8/8/1992

Class of 1950

Ruth H. DeWitt, 60, of Grand Ledge died August 8, 1992.

Mrs. DeWitt was a lifelong Grand Ledge resident; a 1950 graduate of Grand Ledge High School; a 1953 graduate of the University of Michigan Nursing School; and was employed by St. Lawrence Hospital as head nurse and coordinator of the outpatient oncology treatment center.

She is survived by husband, William Jr., children, William III (Debora), Suellen, Richard, and Jane; grandchildren, Christopher and Alana; brothers, Harley and Chuck (Cindy) Halsted; sister, Martha Masuch; and several nieces, nephews, and cousins.

She was preceded in death by her parents, E.O. "Hap" and Helen Halsted.

Visitation is Tuesday, August 11 from 2 to 4 p.m. and 7 to 9 p.m. at the Holihan-Atkin Funeral Home, Grand Ledge. Funeral services are Wednesday, August 12, 11 a.m., at First Congregational Church of Christ with Rev. John Baumgartner officiating.

Memorial contributions may be made to the Congregational Church or the Greater Lansing Area O.N.S. Chapter/Ruth DeWitt Fund.

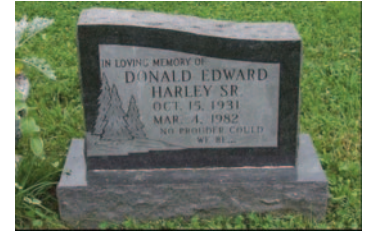


Donald Harley

Class of 1950

NO OTHER INFORMATION WAS AVAILABLE.

DATE OF PASSING: 3/4/1982



Marjory Lou Haueter

Class of 1950

DATE OF PASSING: 10/14/2018

Marjory Lou Haueter, passed away on October 14, 2018 in Lansing, MI. She was born on December 30, 1931 to Ernest and Lena (McCrumb) Haueter on the farm in Grand Ledge where Margie would live her entire life. Margie was a loving caregiver to her family and others; longtime office manager for Bouck and Stevenson Dentistry; lifetime member of First Congregational Church of Grand Ledge; and member of the Canada Settlement Country Club. She enjoyed cooking, holidays, decorating her house, socializing, meeting with classmates, traveling, and loved to shop. Margie was the last of 10 children, preceded in death by 4 brothers: Lloyd, John "Harvey", and Ernest Jr. "Pete" Haueter, and 5 sisters: Hilah, Mildred "Verna", Lavern, Gertrude, and Alice Lucille. She is survived by her special niece and caregiver, Joan Perry, great niece Patty (John) Curtis and nephew Jerry (Joyce) Gillett and many nieces and nephews. Funeral services will be held on Wednesday, October 17, 2018 - 11:00 a.m. at Peters & Murray Funeral Home, Grand Ledge, with interment to follow at Pioneer Cemetery, Oneida Twp. Visitation will be held Tuesday from 4-7 p.m. and one hour prior to the service at the funeral home. Those wishing, contributions can be made to Hospice House of Mid-Michigan or American Heart Assoc. Online condolences may be shared at www.petersandmurrayfuneralhome.com



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Clyde Alan Hazen

January 1, 1932 — March 19, 2021 (Aged 89)

Clyde Alan Hazen, age 89, went home to be with Jesus on March 19th, 2021, he passed in his adopted hometown of Las Vegas, NV. After 65 years in Ridgecrest, CA he and his wife, Pat, moved to Las Vegas, NV to be near their son.

A loving Husband, Father and Grandfather, he was affectionately known as G'pa. Born in Michigan on January 1, 1932, he and Pat moved to California in 1954 where he had a distinguished career working at NWC, and later for Comarco. He was a member of the Aguabonita Fly Fishers Club for many years, as well as being involved in Habitat for Humanity, and he and his wife were members of Grace Lutheran Church for over 50 years. He will be missed by his many friends in Ridgecrest.

He was preceded in death by his parents, Arthur D. and Beulah K. Hazen, and his wife Patricia L. Hazen. He is survived by two children, Debra L. (Hazen) Deeble of Antioch, CA and Mark A. Hazen of Las Vegas, NV. He is also survived by 8 Grandchildren and 16 Great Grandchildren. Memorial services will be held at a later undetermined date.

This article originally appeared on Ridgecrest Daily Independent: Clyde Alan Hazen.





Onalee Marie Heath Kelton

DATE OF PASSING: 9/30/2016

Class of 1950

Onalee Marie Kelton of Grand Ledge passed away September 30, 2016. Marie was born on the farm in Eagle, Michigan on December 1, 1931 to the late Ellsworth and Beatrice (Gilbert) Heath. She graduated from Grand Ledge High School Class of 1950, was a homemaker and went on to work numerous jobs throughout her life. Marie enjoyed and loved animals, especially cats.

Marie is survived by daughter, Stephany (Douglas) Elliott; grandchildren, Alyssa (Ron) Storms and Kevin (Casey) Snyder; great grandchildren, June Synder, Mason, Skyler and Emily Storms; siblings, Ellen Baker, Carolyn (Charles) Volk and Robert Heath. Marie was preceded in death by son, Craig Stoicoff.

A graveside service will be held Monday, October 3, 2016, 2 p.m. at N. Eagle Cemetery, Eagle twp., Clinton County, Michigan with Pastor Phillip McKinney of Believers Church, officiating. Memorial contributions may be given to the Capital Area Humane Society, 7095 W. Grand River Avenue, Lansing, Michigan 48906 (www.caahs-lansing.org). Arrangements by the Holihan-Atkin-Barclay Funeral Home, Grand Ledge.



Teresa Hosey Gorman

DATE OF PASSING: 12/31/2012

Class of 1950

Teresa A. Gorman Haslett, Michigan

Born June 15, 1931 in Grand Ledge to Alfred and Doris Hosey, passed away December 31, 2012 at the age of 81. Teresa graduated from Grand Ledge High School. She retired after 24 years of service with the State of Michigan, Department of Social Services and the Office of the Great Seal. Teresa enjoyed spending time with her family.

Teresa was preceded in death by her husband, Charles Gorman, Jr.; parents; siblings, Mary Pratt, Joyce Hosey, and Keith Hosey. She is survived by her children, Sherry (Scott Isaacs) Gorman and Michael (Stephanie) Gorman; grandchildren, Casey (Anthony Bartinelli) Gorman, Michael and Erin Gorman; great-grandchildren, Chase and Charlie Bartinelli; sisters, Pat Berens, Marjorie Evarian, Kathleen Theodorski and Linda (Paul) McClure; sister-in-law, Joan Hosey and brother-in-law, Jack Pratt. A memorial service will be held, Saturday, January 5, 3:00 p.m. at Gorsline Runciman Funeral Homes, 1730 E. Grand River Ave., East Lansing. The family will receive friends 1 hour prior to the service.



Memorial contributions may be made to Meals on Wheels, 5303 S. Cedar St., Lansing, MI 48911 in Teresa's memory. The family is being served by Gorsline Runciman Funeral Homes, East Lansing, Michigan. On line condolences may be made at www.greastlansing.com



James "Jim" William Howell

December 29, 1931 — January 15, 2022 (Aged 90)

James "Jim" William Howell, passed away peacefully, Saturday, January 15, 2022 at the age of 90. Jim was born on December 29, 1931 in Detroit, Michigan to the late Charles and Nyda (Johnson) Howell. With his family he moved to the Lansing area and graduated from Grand Ledge High School. After graduation he began his career with General Motors, where he dedicated his service for over 35 years in the Engineering Department. After retirement he loved living a healthy and fitness centered life, partaking in the DALMAC, walking, Ballroom dancing, and exercising and teaching fitness classes at his local Westside YMCA. He was a true craftsman who took pride in any project he undertook. He loved his family wholeheartedly and cherished his time with each one of them.

Jim was preceded in death by his parents and two sisters, Patricia (Phil) Pittenger and Barbara (Joe) Pohl.

He is survived by his loving and devoted wife of 71 years, Mary Kay (Havens) Howell; his children, Suzi Howell, Michael Howell, Shari (Tom) Wood, Mark (Christine) Howell, and Anthony (Brella) Howell; grandchildren, Kaitlyn Howell, Sara Howell, Matt (Tanya) Wood, Sean (Christine) Wood, Ryan Wood, Nicholas (Sabrina) Howell, Kasheen Howell, and Sway Howell; four great-grandchildren, his sister, Cindy (Stewart) Smith, and many loving cousins, nieces, and nephews.

The Funeral Service will be held on Wednesday, January 19, 2022 at 1:00 PM at the Palmer, Bush & Jensen Family Funeral Homes, Delta Chapel. Interment will follow in Delta Center Cemetery. Visitation will begin Wednesday at the funeral home from 11:00 AM- 1:00 PM. In lieu of flowers, memorials may be made to the Westside YMCA or the American Heart Association in memory of Jim.



Donald Hoyt

Class of 1950

Birth 6 Jul 1932
Death 15 Oct 1992 (aged 60)
Burial: Tompkins Cemetery
Tompkins, Jackson County, Michigan, USA

DATE OF PASSING: 10/15/1992



Duane "Keith" Ingalls

Class of 1950

Birth 1932
Death 1985 (aged 52-53)
Burial
Wacousta Cemetery
Wacousta, Clinton County, Michigan, USA

DATE OF PASSING: 1985





Roger L. Kempf

DATE OF PASSING: 7/20/2005

Class of 1950

Roger L. Kempf, St. Johns, MI, died July 20, 2005, at the age of 72. Born August 3, 1932 in Grand Ledge, Michigan the son of Louis and Bernice (Foreman) Kempf. He was a member of American Legion Post #153 and retired from Consumers Power Company after 38 years of service. Roger married Connie Cavert) Smith January 23, 2001 and she survives him. Also surviving are one daughter, Michelle (Charles) Carter of Lansing; one son, Mikel (Kathy) Kempf of South Carolina; 3 grandsons, Brian, Derek and Josh; 2 step granddaughters, Kelly (Brian) and Kristi; three sisters, Evelyn Davis of New Mexico, Margaret Morrow of Florida and Elouise (Larry) Lawson of Lansing; and two brothers, Norman (Vivian) Kempf of Lansing and Robert Kempf of Colorado. Roger was preceded in death by two sisters, Alice Dolbie and Helen Randt and two brothers, Conrad "Jim" Kempf and Harris Kempf. There will be no visitation, as Roger will be cremated.

A Memorial Service will be held 12:00 Noon Monday, August 15, 2005 at the Osgood Funeral Home with Deacon Marvin Robertson officiating. Memorials may be made to Hospice for Clinton County.



Herman George Koos

DATE OF PASSING: 5/7/2016

Class of 1950

Herman G. Koos, 85, born April 2, 1931 in Grand Ledge, MI, passed away May 7, 2016 in Lansing, MI. Herman served in the U.S. Army and Michigan National Guard. He was a longtime member of Immanuel Lutheran Church, Grand Ledge; member of Cole-Briggs Post 48 American Legion, having served as Post Commander and Post Adjutant, and also a volunteer for the Grand Ledge Fire Department for 48 years.

Herman is survived by his wife of 65 years, Yvonne, son Frederick (Judy) Koos, daughter Bonnie Koos; 3 grandchildren, 2 great grandchildren, and sister Melba Kohler. He was predeceased by his parents, George and Florence (Huffman) Koos, 3 brothers: Norman, Merlin and Charles Koos, and sister Betty Lou Zeigler.

A funeral service will be held Saturday, May 14, 2016 - 11:00 a.m. at the Immanuel Lutheran Church, 517 S. Clinton St., Grand Ledge, with Pastor Chuck Foerster officiating. Military graveside service will follow at Oakwood Cemetery, Grand Ledge. The family will receive friends Friday, May 13th from 2-4 and 6-8 p.m. at Peters & Murray Funeral Home, Grand Ledge. Memorial contributions may be made to Immanuel Lutheran Church or Cole-Briggs Post 48 American Legion. Online condolences may be made at www.petersandmurrayfuneralhome.com.



William A. Korroch

May 5, 1932 - June 5, 2020 (Aged 88)

William A. Korroch, age 88, died June 5, 2020. He was born at Lansing, MI May 5, 1932 to Adolf and Dorothy (Gemalsky) Korroch. He retired from General Motors (Oldsmobile) in 1979. He graduated from Grand Ledge High School in 1950. He worked for the State of Michigan for 8 years during which time he served in the 122nd Army Band at Fort Benning, GA (1952-1954) and attended Michigan State University (1955-1957) where he was a member of the marching band and performed at the Rose Bowl of 1956.

Despite his lifelong battle with arthritis and endogenous depression, he was able to maintain his interest in music, genealogy and computers. He was a life member of the National Genealogical Society, he New England Historic Genealogical Society and a member of the Mid-Michigan Genealogical Society.

He was predeceased by sisters Marian Lomas and Martha Rogers, a brother Frederick Korroch and 3 brothers-in-law, Duane Preston, Rodney Lomas and Jack Rogers. He is survived by 1 sister, Margarete Preston of Eagle, and 3 brothers, Arthur (Eleanor) of East Lansing and Hubert (Jacqueline) of Lansing and Martin (Jane of Eagle and a sister-in-law, Bessie Korroch of Holt. He is





Leo A. Lawless

Class of 1950

Leo A. Lawless -- Grand Ledge

Leo A. Lawless of Grand Ledge passed away May 27, 2015. He was born December 25, 1932 in Lansing, Michigan to the late Arthur J. and Laura J. (Huhn) Lawless.

Leo retired from International Brotherhood of Electrical Workers Local 665 as a Master Electrician, Leo was also a skilled Farmer and Real Estate Broker.

Through his life, Leo mastered many "Life Trades", including raising seven children with his wife of 60 years, Shirley. He also maintained several lifelong friendships from childhood.

Many neighborhood kids were recipients of Leo's "Life Skills Mentoring" through 4-H, Rural Life and by just being a kid in the neighborhood.

Leo lived life not being afraid of failing at anything. Failing was just part of life. Leo always taught, "If someone fails, at least they are doing something and something is always better than doing nothing."

Our Family became part of an extended family under the care of Royston Ridge, AFC over the past year. We, thank you for taking care of our whole family through this journey.

A private memorial is being held for immediate family.

He is survived by his wife of almost sixty years, Shirley A. (Miller); children Michael (Christine) Lawless, Teresa Lawless, Kathryn (Ron Harris) Lawless, Mark (Vickie) Lawless, Margaret Lawless, James (Dawn) Lawless and John (Ann) Lawless; 13 grandchildren; 10 great grandchildren and brother, Don (Mary) Lawless. Leo was preceded in death by sister, Carol Edwards.

In Lieu of flowers, please consider donations to Eaton County Palliative Care, 2675 S. Cochran Road, Charlotte, Michigan 48813. Arrangements by the Holihan-Atkin Funeral Home, Grand Ledge. Share your memories and condolences online at www.holihanatkin.com.

DATE OF PASSING: 5/27/2015



Betty Linderman Traen

Class of 1950

Betty Linderman Traen, age 81, of Ionia, formerly of Grand Ledge, retired Independent Bank of Ionia employee, died October 16, 2013. Graveside services noon Saturday at Union Cemetery, Oneida Township. Arrangements by Peters & Murray Funeral Home, Grand Ledge.

DATE OF PASSING: 10/16/2013



Jeane Maier Post

Class of 1950

DATE OF PASSING: 12/20/2013

Jeane Dorthea Post, 81 of Charlotte, passed away suddenly, Friday, December 20, 2013. Jeane was born August 31, 1932 in Grand Ledge, the daughter of Edward and Martha (Crocker) Maier. In July of 1954, she married Donald Post. While Don served in Korea, Jeane taught in Grand Ledge High School for six months. After Don returned from Korea, Jeane left teaching to become one of the last of the full time mothers as their children Sue and Steve were born. As a member of the Book of the Month Club, she was an avid reader, sometimes reading a book a day. Biographies were her favorite. Jeane also closely followed pop-culture as a faithful subscriber to People Magazine. Her interest and concern for her friends and neighbors made her a great friend to many. You could always count on her to understand and empathize with what someone else was going through.



Jeane is survived by her husband of 59 years, Donald; daughter, Sue (Jeff) Garrity of Bath; grandchildren Nick and Kate; and son, Steve Post and wife Angela Carson of Northville. Visitation will be Monday, December 23, 2013 from 3-5 and 6-8 pm at Pray Funeral Home, Charlotte. Funeral Services will be held at 11:00 am, Tuesday, December 24 at Pray Funeral Home with Rev. Rob Schneider officiating. Interment will follow at Maple Hill Cemetery. If desired, memorial contributions may be made to Charlotte Free Methodist Church.

The family is in the care of Pray Funeral Home, Charlotte, MI. Friends and family are encouraged to leave online remembrances and condolences for the family in Jeane's Book of Memories at www.prayfuneral.com.



Ernestine Markle Abbruzzee

Class of 1950

DATE OF PASSING: 1/6/2016

Ernestine Markle Abbruzzee was born on June 2, 1932 and passed away on Wednesday, January 6, 2016. Ernestine was a resident of Naples, Michigan at the time of her passing. She was married to William. A Memorial Service will be held Friday January 29 2016 at 11:00 a.m. at Peters Murray Funeral Home Grand Ledge with visitation one hour prior to service time. In lieu of flowers the family suggests that memorial contributions be made to the American Cancer Society www.cancer.org.



Wayne Calvin Martens

Class of 1950

DATE OF PASSING: 6/2/1991

Birth 31 Jan 1932
Eaton County, Michigan, USA
Death 2 Jun 1991 (aged 59)
Lansing, Ingham County, Michigan, USA
Burial: Oakwood Cemetery
Grand Ledge, Eaton County, Michigan, USA



Ralph Merritt

Class of 1950

DATE OF PASSING: UNKNOWN

NO OTHER INFORMATION WAS AVAILABLE.



Clyde Miles

Class of 1950

Birth 9 Apr 1931
 Eaton County, Michigan, USA
 Death 5 Dec 1967 (aged 36)
 Flint, Genesee County, Michigan, USA
 Burial: Union Cemetery
 Grand Ledge, Eaton County, Michigan, USA

DATE OF PASSING: 12/5/1967



Josephine Morrison

Class of 1950

NO OTHER INFORMATION WAS AVAILABLE.

DATE OF PASSING: UNKNOWN



Bernard Metteer Nicholaisen

Class of 1950

DATE OF PASSING: 5/7/2019

Bernard Metteer Nicholaisen was born on November 29, 1931, and died peacefully at his Sun Lakes home on May 7, 2019.

Bernard was born to Carllye & Merle Metteer Nicholaisen in Norfolk, NE. To this union four children were born. Carol, Nan, Bernard "Buss", and John "Jack". Buss graduated from Grand Ledge High School and enlisted in US Navy in 1950. Buss met his bride while they both were serving in Pensacola, FL. He married Patricia Laggan in 1953. Upon discharge they settled in Denver, CO, for 53 years. To this union four children were born, Debra, Leslie, Susan, and Joan. He retired from United Airlines in 1993 after 33 years at DENCg, shortly thereafter he worked for the House of Representatives in Denver for 5 years before moving to Sun Lakes in 2000. He enjoyed his retirement playing music on the organ, church choir, golfing, carpentry, painting, and gardening. Buss volunteered his time helping many organizations. He was a 4th Degree Knight of Columbus and served as a member of Honor Guard as well as American Legion Post # 55



He is survived by his wife Patricia of 65 years, daughters Debra Woller (Ron), Sun Lakes, AZ, Leslie Revell (Bryce)Wray, CO, Susan Inman, (Jay), Sun Lakes, AZ, Joan Byrd, Castle Rock, CO, niece Tammy Laggan, Sun Lakes, AZ, his Sister-In-Law Judith Epping Nicholaisen, 8 Grandchildren,

16 Great-Grandchildren, and 7 Step-Grandchildren, & 4 Step-Great Grandchildren along with many nieces, nephews and cousins.

Services will be at St Steven's Church, May 29, 2019 at 1000 AM followed by Military Honors in the courtyard. Lunch will be in the Great Hall immediately following.

Family requests no flowers, in lieu of flowers memorial can be sent to Honorflightaz.org or charity of your choice.



Phyllis L. Osborn

Class of 1950

DATE OF PASSING: 8/15/2009

Phyllis L. Osborn Grand Ledge Phyllis L. Osborn, born October 21, 1932, passed away August 15, 2009 at the age of 76. Phyllis spent 43 years as a missionary in Venezuela and since retirement became very active with Kids Hope. She created religious children's games; wrote devotional books for children and adults, and was a member of the Grand Ledge Baptist Church. Survivors include her sisters-in-law, Lois Osborn of Grand Ledge and Helen Osborn of Santa Rosa, CA; 5 nephews: John (Janalynn) of Grand Ledge, Robert (Mary Ann) of Mason, Donald (Karen) of Santa Rosa, CA, Lynn (Diane) of Bay City and Kenneth (Tammy) of Lansing; nieces, Judy (David) Brown of Fennville and Christina (Ernest) Tompkins of Lansing; special friends, Margaret Bush of Hungary, Lee Hayward of Grand Ledge and Chris Pound of Grand Ledge.

She was predeceased by her parents, Harry and Merle (Lance) Osborn; 2 brothers, Maurice and Stanley and grandnephew, Lucas Osborn. Funeral services will be held Friday August 21, 2009 - 11:00 a.m. at the Grand Ledge Baptist Church, 1120 W. Willow Hwy., Grand Ledge, MI 48837, with Pastor Andrew Ford officiating. Interment to follow at Oakwood Cemetery, Grand Ledge. The family will receive friends Thursday 2-4 and 6-8 p.m. at the Peters & Murray Funeral Home in Grand Ledge. For those desiring, contributions made to the Grand Ledge Baptist Church (for Missions) or Eaton Community Hospice will be greatly appreciated. Online condolences may be made at www.petersandmurrayfuneralhome.com.



Wilson J. Parker

Class of 1950

DATE OF PASSING: 10/17/2018

Bill Parker was born in Charlotte, Michigan in 1933 to Floyd and Helen Parker. In 1955, he joined the Air Force and married Joan. After being discharged in 1957, he started his 30 year career in the Department of Agriculture in the Soil Conservation Service. After retirement, he settled in Spotylvania, Virginia, where he enjoyed working on his garden, building miniature dollhouses, wood-working, photography, genealogy, and his children, grandchildren, and great grandchildren. He was a member of St. Mary's Catholic Church, and a former member of the Knights of Columbus. Bill assisted in the construction of a thrift shop at St. Matthews Catholic Church and helped manage it. He was on the board of the Holleybrooke Home Owners' Association and helped develop the landscaping for the park area and entrances to the development.

Bill is survived by his wife of 63 years, Joan Parker; his children, Sue Plachy, Bruce Parker (Alice), Karen Nash, David Parker (Elizabeth), and Debbie Parker; his grandchildren, Robin Plachy (Kevin Facto), Anthony Plachy (Ashley), Shannon Parker, Colleen Parker, Danny Nash (Krystal), Sarah Rovnak (Ryan), Kara Schaal (Jeff), and Jenna Parker; his great grandchildren, Sebastian Facto, Madi Plachy, Parker Molineux; and his brother-in-law, Douglas Candler.

He was preceded in death by his mother and father, Floyd Parker and Helen Lee Parker; brother, Jack Parker; his sisters, Helen Candler, and Marion Davis; and his son-in-law, Rick Plachy.

A Funeral Mass will be held at 11:00am on Tuesday, October 23, 2018 at Mullins and Thompson Funeral Service, Fredericksburg. The family will receive friends one hour prior to the service. Burial will follow at Laurel Hill Memorial Park for family only.

In lieu of flowers, memorial donations may be made to the American Heart Association, American Association of Cancer Research or the Arthritis Foundation.

FAMILY: Joan Parker, Wife; Sue Plachy, Daughter; Bruce Parker, Son; Alice Parker, Daughter-in-law; Karen Nash, Daughter; David Parker, Son; Elizabeth Parker, Daughter-in-law; Debbie Parker, Daughter.

He is also survived by his grandchildren, Robin Plachy (Kevin Facto), Anthony Plachy (Ashley), Shannon Parker, Colleen Parker, Danny Nash (Krystal), Sarah Rovnak (Ryan), Kara Schaal (Jeff), and Jenna Parker; his great grandchildren, Sebastian Facto, Madi Plachy, Parker Molineux; and his brother-in-law, Douglas Candler.

He was preceded in death by his mother and father, Floyd Parker and Helen Lee Parker; brother, Jack Parker; his sisters, Helen Candler, and Marion Davis; and his son-in-law, Rick Plachy.





Class of 1950

Donna Dortress Peiffer Sweet

June 2, 1932 — March 19, 2023 (Aged 90)

Donna Dortress Sweet lifelong Grand Ledge resident passed away March 19, 2023 with her loving family by her side. Donna was born June 2, 1932 in Grand Ledge to the late August and Dortress (Ward) Peiffer. She graduated from Grand Ledge High School in the Class of 1950 and married the love of her life Phillip who preceded her in death on April 3, 2002. She was a stay-at-home mom raising five wonderful children. Their friends always knew when they stopped by they could enjoy some wonderful baked cookies that Donna had made. She was a longtime faithful member of St. Michael Parish. Donna enjoyed the game of golf, traveling, baking and always made it a priority to attend her children's and grandchildren's sporting events and cheer them on. She will be missed by her family and many friends and will be remembered for the many lives that she touched.



She is survived by her children, Jeffrey Scott (Patsy) Sweet, Tony (Deb) Sweet, Sue Shoemaker, Kathy Sipperley and Theresa (Kevin) Lippert; grandchildren, Joel (Lyndsay) Sweet, Noah Sweet, Jason (Bridget) Sweet, Nathan "Tiny" (Erin) Sweet, Abbey Sweet, Matt Shoemaker, Kelsey Shoemaker, Sarah Shoemaker, Casey (Rachel) Aten, Kelli (Jon) Witham, Ann Marie (Cody) Harshman, Adam (Stephanie) Lippert and Holly (Nick) Kuhl; 26 great grandchildren; sister-in-law, Joyce Peiffer along with many special nieces and nephews. Donna was preceded in death by son-in-law, Brian Sipperley and sisters and brothers-in-law, Doris (Donald) Butler and Betty (Jake) Edgar and brother, Richard Peiffer.

A Mass of Christian Burial will be celebrated Thursday, March 23, 2023, 11:00 AM at St. Michael Catholic Church by Father James Eisele. You may watch the funeral mass for Donna at 11:00 am Thursday on the St. Michael Church YouTube channel at this link:<https://youtube.com/live/em6Za-9zC0w?feature=share>. Interment will follow at Oakwood Cemetery. Visitation will be Wednesday from 2-4:00 PM with a Rosary at 3:45 PM and 6-8:00 PM with a Scripture Service at 7:30 PM at the Holihan-Atkin-Barclay Funeral Home, Grand Ledge. Memorial contributions may be given to the Sparrow Foundation, Hospice House of Mid-Michigan, 1215 E. Michigan Avenue, Lansing, Michigan 48912. Share your memories and condolences online at www.holihanatkin.com



Roger G. Perry

Class of 1950

Birth 1931
Death 2006 (aged 74-75)
Burial: Pioneer Cemetery
Grand Ledge, Eaton County, Michigan, USA

DATE OF PASSING: 2006





Richard Allen Pylman

Class of 1950

DATE OF PASSING: 2/15/2013

Richard Allen Pylman, of Sears, passed away Friday, February 15, 2013 at his home. He was 81. Mr. Pylman was born August 22, 1931 in Grand Ledge to Joseph Allen Pylman and Doris Dartch Pylman. He was a 1950 graduate of Grand Ledge High School and attended Michigan State University. Richard was a veteran of the U.S. Army, where he served in the Medical Corps. Mr. Pylman moved to the Sears area in the late fifties. He married Maria M. Salinas on January 25, 1958 in Sears. Richard worked at Evart Products and Evart Public Schools and was an active member of the Sears Church of God. He loved spending time with his family and his hobbies included restoring antique tractors, vegetable gardening, and recently, loom knitting.

His wife, Maria M. Pylman of Sears, daughter, Amy (Greg) Keating of Howell, son, Michael (Dana) Pylman of LeRoy, 3 grandsons, Michael (Shannon) Pylman of LeRoy, Joseph (Katie) Pylman of Reed City, and Nicholas (Lyndsey) Pylman of LeRoy, 8 great grandchildren, 2 sisters, Ruth Stovall of TX and Nancy Caygill of WI, brother, James (Mary) Pylman of Evart, and numerous nieces and nephews survive him. His parents preceded him in death.

Funeral services for Richard Allen Pylman are 1:00pm Monday, February 18th at the Sears Church of God with Rev. Dick Latham and Rev. Doug Bennett officiating. Visitation is 2pm to 4pm and 6pm and 8pm Sunday, February 17th at Co-rey Funeral Home in Evart. Internment will be in the Forest Hill Cemetery, Evart. Memorial Contributions may be directed to Heartland Hospice or the Sears Food Pantry.



Howard M. Reedy

Class of 1950

DATE OF PASSING: 2006

Birth 1932
Death 2006 (aged 73-74)
Burial: Rose Lawn Cemetery
Perry, Shiawassee County, Michigan, USA



Class of 1950

Edward Russell Richmond, Jr.

July 19, 1931 — January 9, 2023 (Aged 91)

Edward Russell Richmond Jr., age 91, of DeWitt, Michigan went to be with the Lord on Monday, January 9, 2023. He was born on July 19, 1931 in Grand Ledge, MI, to Edward and Frances Richmond.

Edward being born and raised in Grand Ledge, Michigan, graduated from Grand Ledge High School in 1950. He married the love of his life, Joyce Ramsay, and the two of them spent 71 wonderful years together until the Lord called him home. Shortly after graduating high school, Edward proudly served in the United States Naval Reserve during the Korean conflict. He was a route salesman for Gauss Roskam and Frito-Lay before retiring in 1993 and a devoted member of Northpointe Community Church.

Edward is survived by his beloved wife, Joyce Richmond; three children, Gregory Richmond, Valerie (Ron) Clewley, and Paul Richmond; five grandchildren; nine great-grandchildren; three great-great-grandchildren; and brother, Richard. He is preceded in death by his parents and his brother, Dale.

A memorial service for Edward will be held Saturday, January 14, 2023 at 11:00 AM at Northpointe Community Church, 505 E Webb Dr., DeWitt, MI 48820.



Contributions in Edward's memory may be made to Northpointe Community Church, 505 E Webb Dr., DeWitt, Michigan 48820 and The City Rescue Mission of Lansing, 2216 S Cedar St., Lansing, Michigan 48910.



Demia Root Wright

Class of 1950

Demia Sherry Wright -- Vermontville

DATE OF PASSING: 2/15/2011

Demia Sherry Wright, 79, was born November 2, 1931 in Mulliken, MI the daughter of George and Irma (Beck) Root. Demia grew up in Grand Ledge graduating from Grand Ledge High School in 1950. Later that year she married Wendall Wright on September 18, 1950. Many will remember Demia as owner of Grandma's Greenery in Nashville, as a Scout and 4-H leader, from the many quilts and cakes she created, her presence at local arts a crafts shows, and her ever-present heart shaped glasses. As her daughter Rae recalled at her last visit: I see her hand when I point to something along the road, and I'm sure that it's her tongue that hangs out in most of the photos for which I've posed. I know it's her lips that I hear say those things to my kids and theirs, and though mine is longer it must be her graying hairs. We've been apart so much and yet she's always in my movements and in the lives I've touched. I hope that others see the kindness in her eyes when I look at them and smile, and the pride in my heart knowing, I'm her child. She is survived by her husband of 60 years Wendall, their daughter, Rae (Larry) Swan of Canada; son, Eric (Marilyn) Wright of Vermontville; daughter, Dawn (Mike) Meade of Nashville; daughter, Lee (Steve) Augustine of Vermontville; 10 grandchildren, and 10 great-grandchildren; and her brothers Doyle (Sharon) Root of Holt, and David (Barbara) Root of Ann Arbor. She will be greatly missed by one and all. A Tribute Gathering was held 3-6 p.m. Sunday February 20, 2011 at the Nashville VFW. Interment will be in Gresham Cemetery, Charlotte, MI. Online condolences may be made at www.prayfuneral.com. Arrangements by Pray Funeral Home, Charlotte, MI.



Meredith RYSDAM Wawiernia Schelter

March 16, 1932 -- October 26, 2019 (Aged 87)

Meredith Wawiernia Schelter of Mulliken, age 87, died October 26, 2019.

Mrs. Schelter was born March 16, 1932 in Geddes, SD, a daughter of Lewis and Audrey (Helmey) Rysdam. She was a 1950 graduate of Grand Ledge High School, a member of Sunfield United Methodist Church and was a former secretary at Grand Ledge High School. She was preceded in death by her first husband, Paul Wawiernia, in 1981. Surviving is her husband, Ernest Schelter; daughter, Dianne (James) Vogel of Eaton Rapids; three sons, Rodney (Elaine) Wawiernia of Mulliken, David (Diane) Wawiernia of Eagle and Richard Wawiernia of Arizona; 10 grandchildren; 11 great-grandchildren; brother, Douglas Rysdam of Tucson, AZ; nieces & nephews and special niece and caregiver, Linda Thelen. Services 11 A.M. Friday, November 1, 2019, at Sunfield United Methodist Church, 227 Logan St., Sunfield. Interment will follow at Danby Cemetery.

The family will receive friends from 5-8 P.M. Thursday at Barker-Leik Funeral Home, Mulliken, and one hour prior to services at the church. In lieu of flowers, donations may be made to Grace Hospice, 2205 Jolly Road, Suite C, Okemos, MI 48867.



Duane Sheren

Class of 1950

DATE OF PASSING: 9/3/2014

Duane Sheren, age 82, of Auburn Hills, formerly of Grand Ledge, retired West Bloomfield Hills Public Schools teacher, died Wednesday, September 3, 2014. Memorial services 3 p.m. today at First United Methodist Church, Troy. Arrangements by Peters & Murray Funeral Home, Grand Ledge.





Vincent A. Tegels

DATE OF PASSING: 3/9/2011

Class of 1950

Vincent A. Tegels, 78, of Midland, passed peacefully, Wednesday evening, March 9, 2011, with his loving family surrounding him.

Vincent was born June 25, 1932, in Marshall, Minn., son of the late Lawrence and Catherine (Hovland) Tegels. At ten years of age his family moved to Grand Ledge, where he graduated from High School in 1950. He joined the U.S. Army and served for three years. Vincent enjoyed 38 years of barbering after two years of training at Ferris State College and one year at Flint Barbering Institute. He was a member of Assumption Blessed Virgin Mary Catholic Church and was a life member of the American Legion. Over the years he found pleasure in collecting and restoring classic automobiles, literature of all types, and the simple things like good food and good friends.



Vincent met the love of his life, Shirley M. (Steinka) Shufelt, whom he married on July 30, 1960. Their life together was full of a wealth of experiences, which included raising her four children, being grandparents and great-grandparents. Vincent unofficially adopted Shirley's four children, who esteem him highly for his parental role in their lives. He was co-founder with his wife, Shirley, and daughter, Darlene, of Shirlene's Cuisine and co-proprietor of The Old Hickory House. Vincent is survived by his wife of 50 years, Shirley; two sons, Fred (Carol) Shufelt of Hutchinson, Minn., and Robert (Sandy) Shufelt of Shepherd; one daughter, Darlene Klemkosky (Louis) Thomp-

son of Hope; twin sister, Vivian Tegels of Lansing; one brother, Daniel Tegels; two sisters, Francis Baker of Grand Ledge, and Rita Kemps of Arizona; daughter-in-law, Kathy Shufelt; and numerous grandchildren and great-grandchildren. In addition to his parents, Vincent was preceded in death by one son, Eddie Shufelt; grandson, Brian Klemkosky; older sister, Katherine Kuschlain; younger brother, Dennis Tegels; son-in-law, Roger Klemkosky; twin brothers, Loren and Lawrence; and sister, Cathleen. Friends and family will forever remember him for his quick wit and kind heart.

The funeral liturgy will take place at 10 a.m., Tuesday, March 15, 2011, at Assumption of The Blessed Virgin Mary Catholic Church, 3516 E Monroe at Jefferson. Father Kevin Maksym will officiate, with graveside burial rites in Old Calvary Cemetery. Military honors will be presented by the Midland Area Veterans and the U.S. Army. Vincent's family will receive friends at the Ware-Smith-Woolever Funeral Home, 1200 W. Wheeler St., on Monday from 2-4 & 6-8 p.m., and on Tuesday from 9 a.m. until time of the funeral liturgy. A vigil for the deceased will take place 7 p.m., Monday evening at the funeral home. Those planning an expression of sympathy may wish to consider Vince's wishes that gifts be toward the care of his wife.



Class of 1950

Robert Lee Waldo

January 26, 1928 — March 2, 2024 (Aged 96)

Robert Lee Waldo, a beacon of love and dedication to his family and community, passed away peacefully at his lifelong residence in Grand Ledge, MI, on March 4, 2024. Born on August 24, 1931, in the same beloved town, Robert's life was a testament to his unwavering commitment to his roots and the people he cherished.

Robert's journey through life was shared with his adoring wife of 74 years, Marilyn Waldo. Together, they raised a family that became his pride and joy: sons David (Kathy) Waldo, Douglas Waldo, and Donald Waldo; daughters Debra (Thomas) Bihlmeyer and Denise (Jeffery Shepler) Truman. He was a grandfather to eight and a great-grandfather to fifteen, each of whom will carry forward the legacy of love he so generously bestowed upon them. His brother, Roger (Delores) Waldo, also survives him, sharing in the family's rich tapestry of memories. Robert was preceded in death by his parents, Lynn and Maxine (Brace) Waldo, and his brother, Rondel (Jane) Waldo.

Professionally, Robert was a self-employed Electrical Contractor and Inspector, a career that not only showcased his intelligence and handy nature but also his drive to serve his community. His greatest professional accomplishment was overseeing the construction of the Masonic hall, a testament to his skill and leadership. Robert was an honored member of the Grand Ledge Masons Lodge #179, where he was not only a past Master but also a recipient of the prestigious 70-year pin, reflecting his long-standing dedication and service.

Roger and Marilyn's favorite thing to do together was spending time at the cottage on Lake Montcalm. His interests outside of work were varied and full of the simple joys of life. Robert was an avid woodworker; deer hunting was another passion, providing opportunities for reflection and connection with the great outdoors. As a devoted MSU Spartan fan, Robert's enthusiasm for sports was infectious, and his support for his team was unwavering. Above all, Robert loved and adored his family, and every moment spent with them was cherished.

A Celebration of Life with a Masonic Service will be held on Sunday, April 14, 2024 1:00 p.m. at the Grand Ledge Masonic Temple Hall. The family asks that you wear your Spartan attire. In lieu of flowers, donations can be made in loving memory of Robert Waldo to the Grand Ledge Masonic Temple or the Grand Ledge First United Methodist Church. The family has entrusted arrangements to Mills Funeral Home, Peters & Murray Chapel, Grand Ledge.





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Patricia Louise Way Hazen

March 17, 1933 — May 13, 2020 (Aged 87)

Patricia Louise Hazen, age 87, went home to be with Jesus on May 13th, 2020. She passed at her residence in her adopted hometown of Las Vegas, NV after a lengthy struggle with Alzheimer's disease. After 65 years in Ridgecrest, CA she and her husband, Clyde, moved to Las Vegas to be near her son. A loving Wife, Mother and Grandmother, she was affectionately known as G'ma.



Lucille Wells

Class of 1950

NO OTHER INFORMATION WAS AVAILABLE.

DATE OF PASSING: UNKNOWN



Larry Burke Winans

Class of 1950

Birth 26 Oct 1932

Death 29 Nov 2005 (aged 73)

Burial: Arroyo Grande Cemetery

Arroyo Grande, San Luis Obispo County, California, USA

DATE OF PASSING: 11/29/2005



Larry was born on October 26 and shared his life with us for 73 years. He is now present with the Lord and his family and friends are pleased to celebrate his life at Grace Baptist Church, 605 E. McCoy in Santa Maria, California on December 2, 2005 at 2:00 p.m. Remembrances may be sent to Grace Baptist Church.