



# THOSE PASSED FROM THE CLASS OF 1974

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## **June Marie Amato**

**September 6, 1956 — October 15, 2022 (Aged 66)**

June Marie Amato, age 66, of Dewitt, MI passed away on October 15, 2022, after a short battle with cancer. June was born on September 6, 1956, in Lansing, MI the daughter of Vincent and Fay (Thompson) Amato. She grew up in Dimondale, MI before moving to Grand Ledge where she graduated class of 1974. June went to school as a beautician and barber and worked as a barber in the Lansing area for most of her life. She was also a talented painter and enjoyed watercolors, acrylic oils and painting landscape scenery. June loved plants and flowers and enjoyed creating beautiful landscaping around her house. She was an avid thrift store shopper and couldn't resist the opportunity to find a hidden treasure at a local yard sale.

June is survived by her mother, Fay Wright; daughters, Crystal (Ed) Fleckenstein, Amber (Misty) Amato; son, Ryan (Elizabeth) Horvath; grandchildren, Micah Horvath, Noah Horvath, Meadow Fleckenstein, Ridge Fleckenstein; great grandson, Adam Horvath; stepmother, Carolanne Amato; brothers, Tim Amato, Bruce Amato, Jim (Bernice) Amato; sister, Gail (Vincent) Ferris; longtime boyfriend, Larry Graszler and numerous



nieces and nephews.

A graveside service will be held at 12:00 PM on Wednesday, October 19, 2022, at Dimondale Cemetery. To share memories or leave condolences please visit [www.SkinnerFuneralHomes.com](http://www.SkinnerFuneralHomes.com) To send flowers to the family or plant a tree in memory of June, please visit our floral store.



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## **Cherie Joy Baker Goodrich**

**August 23, 1956 — November 18, 2023 (Aged 67)**

Cherie Joy Goodrich of Grand Ledge passed away November 18, 2023, in Lansing surrounded by her loving family. Cherie was born August 23, 1956, in Lansing, Michigan to Roger Dean and Beverly Jane (Wilson) Baker. She graduated from Grand Ledge High School in the Class of 1974, received a Dental Assistant Certificate, and received an Associate's Degree with honors in Business Accounting from Lansing Community College. Cherie was an avid gardener; she had a big garden all of her life. She loved to grow flowers and vegetables and was always excited to share seeds with friends or helpful tips to any fellow gardener. She had a special love for sunflowers, as well as lilacs, and delphiniums. Her love of this hobby resulted in her obtaining a Master Gardener Certificate from Michigan State University. She also enjoyed cooking for others and helping others whenever she was able. Cherie was full of grace and grit for life. She fought her illness as hard as she could and passed the life expectancy given by her doctors. She had a strong love for life and loved her family and husband dearly. Her sense of humor and laugh will be missed by all.

She is survived by her loving husband, David Goodrich; children, Colleen Goodrich, David Goodrich, and Dennis Goodrich; step-sons, Gabe and Eli Goodrich; 5 grandchildren; siblings, Craig (Sue) Baker, Cindy (Brian) Ludtke and Cathy (Bob) Doolittle. Cherie was preceded in death by her dad, Roger.

A Celebration of Life will be held at a later time. Arrangements by the Holihan-Atkin-Barclay Funeral Home, Grand Ledge. Share your memories and condolences online at [www.holihanatkin.com](http://www.holihanatkin.com)



## Sally Ann Bennett Heins

**January 27, 1956 - August 27, 2019 (Aged 63)**

Sally Ann Heins of Eagle passed away August 27, 2019. Sally was born in Lansing, Michigan to Richard H. and Marian (Schwarzkopf) Bennett. She graduated from Grand Ledge High School Class of 1974. Sally enjoyed gardening just like her father and was a certified Master Gardener, she also enjoyed antiques and loved the process of finding the "treasures." Over the years, she would restore purchased items and make them available in her very own Barn Owl Décor. She was an animal lover who adopted many pets over the years, always put others first and loved to surprise friends and family with small gifts to let them know she was thinking of them. Sally was the matriarch of the family and was a loving wife, mother and cherished her role as a grandma.

She is survived by her husband of over forty-four years, Robert; children, Taylor, Derek (Susan), and Payton Heins; grandchildren, Grace Maria, Robert William and Henry Heins; twin-sister, Susan (Chuck) Maxbauer; brother, Tom (Barb) Bennett; numerous nieces and nephews; and beloved friends, Chip Swieringa and Bob Perialas.

A memorial gathering to celebrate Sally's life will be held Saturday, September 7, 2019 from 1-4:00 p.m. at the Holihan-Atkin-Barclay Funeral Home, Grand Ledge, casual attire is preferred. In lieu of flowers, memorial contributions in Sally's name may be given to the Arthritis Foundation, Michigan Office, 888 West Big Beaver, Suite 305, Troy, Michigan 48084 or the Grand Ledge Emergency Assistance Program (GLEAP), P.O. Box 402, Grand Ledge, Michigan 48837. Share your memories and condolences online at [www.holihanatkin.com](http://www.holihanatkin.com)



## Kevin L. Botek

**January 22, 1955 — February 10, 2006 (Aged 51)**

Kevin L. Botek. Delta Township age 51, died suddenly Feb. 10, 2006. He was born Jan. 22, 1955 in Alma, MI. He graduated from Grand Ledge H.S. in 1974 where he lettered in football and basketball. He was a licensed spray technician, and was employed by Ingham County. grounds maintenance dept. He enjoyed hunting, fishing, golf and northern Michigan. He loved and was very proud of his children, Blake and Tricia Botek of Grand Ledge. He is also survived by his loving partner of 11 years, Barb Clem, parents Frank Botek of Grand Ledge, and Patricia (Richard) Bitney of Wellston, brothers, Doug (Pat) Keller of Mosherville, Gary and Steven Botek of Grand Ledge, step-brothers Steve and Mark Bitney, stepsister Wendy Anderson, aunts, uncles, nieces and nephews. He is preceded in death by grandparents Everett and Ruth Bridgewater, uncle John W. Bridgewater, and nephew Jacob Dudd.

Funeral services will be Wed. Feb. 15, 2006, 11:00am at Holihan-Atkin Funeral Home Grand Ledge. Interment Delta Center Cemetery. Visitation Tuesday 2-4, 7-9pm. Memorial contributions may be made to Grand Ledge Cheer Boosters P.O. Box 507 Grand Ledge, Michigan 48837, Grand Ledge Quarterback Club 400 Edwards Street Grand Ledge, Michigan 48837, or Grand Ledge Re-Bounder Club 1031 E. Colonial Park Grand Ledge, Michigan 48837.





## Robbin Ray Boucher

**May 25, 1956 — June 18, 2020 (Aged 64)**

On June 18, 2020 Robbin lost his courageous battle with cancer. Robbin was born in Lansing, Michigan on May 25, 1956 to Albert and Leta Boucher. He is survived by his children Nathan (Jamie) Boucher and Cherie (Johnny) Johnson. Brothers Terry (Helen) Boucher, Dan (Trisha) Boucher. Sisters Bonnie (late Victor) Comstock, Renee (Dennis) Martin. Grandchildren Garrett, Halie, Ellie, Tyson, Lydia, and Jaxson.

Robbin's family was his number one priority in life. He enjoyed spending his summers at his cottage in Pentwater with them. He spent countless nights fishing from the dock on Bass Lake. The day was topped off with ice cream and a bonfire. From parades with The Clown Band to spending time on the beach, this was a very special place for him with his family.

Robbin took great pride in his work as a Health and Safety Representative for General Motors. He dedicated 44 years of his life working there. During that time, he made many life-long friends.

Volunteer work was also very important to Robbin. He was a volunteer firefighter for Roxand Township under his father, Chief Albert Boucher. He ran the Easter pancake breakfast for years at his long-time church, Sunfield United Brethren. He also was a volunteer coach when his children played youth sports. Before that he chopped beef at many Ox Roast dinners at the

Mulliken Homecomings.

But most of all PaPa loved his "Babies" They were the light of his life. He lived every day for them. He would go to as many events as he could, from football games to dance recitals to softball games. Anyone can tell you that he couldn't have been more proud of them all.

In lieu of flowers, contributions in memory of Robbin may be made to "Regents of the University of Michigan." C/O Cherie N. Johnson 7115 W. St. Joseph Hwy. Mulliken, MI 48861.

Please visit a special webpage made especially for Robbin, to light a candle in his memory or leave a condolence for the family. [www.RosierFuneralHome.com](http://www.RosierFuneralHome.com)

The family has entrusted the arrangements to the Independent Family Owned Funeral Home in Sunfield: Rosier Funeral Home.



## Chris Brooks

**December 25, 1955 — August 30, 2019 (Aged 63)**

Chris Brooks passed away on Friday, August 30, 2019 at the age of 63. Born December 25, 1955 to Arnold and Gwendolyn (Dible) Brooks in Lansing, Michigan. Preceding him in death were his parents and sister, Linda Brooks.

Surviving are his wife, Terri Brooks; daughter, Ashley (Grant Sherman) Brooks; brother, Fred (Sally) Brooks as well as many extended family and friends.

A memorial service will be held for Chris at a later date. To share memories and condolences please visit [www.SkinnerFuneralHomes.com](http://www.SkinnerFuneralHomes.com)



## Alisa Ann Catey-Pearson

**DATE OF PASSING: December 23, 2010 (Aged 54)**

Alisa Ann Catey-Pearson, 54, died suddenly from heart failure on Thursday, December 23, 2010. Raised in Grand Ledge, "Lisa" spread her light-hearted spirit to every corner of this nation, and beyond, enriching the lives of all that knew her. She spent the last 2 years of her short life in Wimberley, TX, which she referred to as the most beautiful place she had ever been. Lisa is survived by her son, Jason (Jenny); daughter, Melissa; son, David; grandchildren: Tyler, Vincent, Gabriel, Rhyann, and McKenna; parents, Lloyd and Linda Catey; sisters, Shannon Lovaas and Shari

Alber; and nieces, Erika and Mollie. Lisa will be sorely missed. A memorial gathering to celebrate her life will be held at the Eaton Area Senior Center, 804 S. Cochran Ave., Charlotte, MI 48813, on Sunday, January 2, 2011, from 1:00 pm to 4:30 p.m.



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## **Judy Lynn Cole Marks**

**January 5, 1955 — September 15, 2021 (Aged 66)**

Judy Lynn Marks, of Wyoming, entered into her eternal Heavenly home to meet Jesus and friends new and old on September 15, 2021. She was born on January 5, 1955, the daughter of LaVern and Madeline (Whitmore) Cole. Judy was a graduate of Grand Ledge High School Class of 1974. She enjoyed swimming and was even a lifeguard in her younger years. Judy loved animals and she rescued many throughout her lifetime.

Preceding Judy in death are her parents; brothers, Ronald Cole and Edward Blackman; and daughter, Laura Powelson. Surviving are her husband of 24 years, Robert D. Marks; grandsons, Brent Powelson and Cody Powelson; several grandchildren; siblings, Katrina (Jeff) Burt and Bill Cole; and several nieces and nephews.

A Celebration of Life will be held at a later date. Arrangements are entrusted to Lehman Funeral Homes. Online condolences may be made at [www.lehamanfuneralhomes.com](http://www.lehamanfuneralhomes.com).



## **LuAnn Renee Comstock Spitzley**

**October 18, 1956 — November 14, 2020 (Aged 64)**

LuAnn Renee Spitzley, Pentwater, MI, Our beloved wife, mother, grandmother, daughter, sister, and friend went to Heaven on November 14, 2020 after a battle with Covid that took away her lungs. LuAnn Renee Spitzley was born on October 18, 1956 to Bonita and the late Victor Comstock. She met the love of her life and best friend when they were merely children, and started their relationship as high school sweethearts. She married Daniel Spitzley (son of the late Robert and Laurine Spitzley) on February 7, 1975, and they celebrated their 45th wedding anniversary this year. They were enjoying their retirement at their home that they designed and built together in the woods in Pentwater, Michigan. She is survived by her loving husband and their two daughters, Danielle (Randall) Shilton and Heather (Todd) Sullivan. She was blessed with 3 grandchildren that she called her "sweetpeas", Tyler Shilton (Ryan B.), Samantha Shilton, and Skylar Sullivan. LuAnn had three sisters Darlene, Cindy, and Tamee (Mark) and gained 5 more siblings through marriage: Marv (Silver), Pat (Bill), Jackie (Randy), Annette (Rich), and Julie (Ralph).

She retired from Grand Ledge Public Schools after 21 years as a paraprofessional. LuAnn also was a Girl Scout troop leader for over 10 years. She enjoyed word searches, cross stitching, jigsaw puzzles, and golf cart rides.

LuAnn loved life fully and embraced family to the point that she had three nicknames by her grandchildren...grandma, granny, and goog. She often could be found around the bonfire, or on the pontoon boat having a glass of wine. For LuAnn, family always came first no matter what. If you needed her whether phone call or in person, she was there.

Gravesite services at Meadowbrook Cemetery in Mulliken Michigan for immediate family and siblings only, due to Covid.

In lieu of flowers or donations, we would like to have items given to Toys for Tots in her memory.

Please visit a special webpage made especially for LuAnn, to light a candle in her memory or leave a condolence for the family. [www.RosierFuneralHome.com](http://www.RosierFuneralHome.com)

The family has entrusted the arrangements to the Independent Family Owned Funeral Home in Sunfield: Rosier Funeral Home.





## Frank M. Fitzgerald

**December 25, 1955 — August 30, 2019 (Aged 63)**

Frank M. Fitzgerald, a former Michigan legislator and state insurance commissioner who was known for his high ethical standards and dedication to public service, died suddenly Thursday, December 9, 2004, at LaGuardia Airport while returning from a business trip in New York City. He was 49 and a resident of Grand Ledge.

His parents, John and Lorabeth Fitzgerald, own a summer cottage on the East Bluff of Mackinac Island, where Mr. Fitzgerald spent his childhood summers. He also worked as an interpretive guide at Fort Mackinac while on summer break from his studies at The College of William and Mary in Virginia.

"During his college summers, Frank honed his communication skills as an outstanding guide at Fort Mackinac," said Dr. David Armour, former Mackinac Island State Park deputy director. "Every Tuesday, the staff came to play games and socialize in our home next to the fort. There he also fell in love with his future wife, Ruth. Through the years, their desire to serve the public never wavered, nor did his love of Mackinac. Several times each summer, they returned to the Fitzgerald cottage on the East Bluff, where they kept a watchful eye on the State Park.

"Frank's sudden death leaves a great void, not only in Michigan but on Mackinac, as well," Dr. Armour continued. "Yet, the legacy of the Fitzgeralds lives on: a tribute to Frank's dedication to follow in the illustrious footsteps of his father and grandfather."

Mr. Fitzgerald's father, John, is a retired Supreme Court Justice (1974-1983) who also served in the Michigan Senate and on the Michigan Court of Appeals. His grandfather, Frank D. Fitzgerald, was a governor of Michigan who died in office during a second term in 1939. He also served two terms as secretary of state.

His great-grandfather, John Wesley Fitzgerald, served in the Michigan House from 1895 to 1896.

He was born November 11, 1955 in Grand Ledge and was graduated from Grand Ledge High School. He received his Bachelor of Arts degree from The College of William and Mary and earned a juris doctor from Thomas M. Cooley Law School in Lansing.

Mr. Fitzgerald began his career in 1984 as an assistant prosecuting attorney for Eaton County before being elected in 1986 to the Michigan House of Representatives, where he represented Eaton County for 12 years, ultimately serving as Speaker Pro Tem and in other leadership positions. He chaired the House Oversight and Ethics Committee, of which he was most proud, and the Insurance, Judiciary, Legislative Council, and Public Retirement committees in his last years in the legislature. Governor John Engler appointed him the state insurance commissioner in 1999, and he became the commissioner of the Michigan Office of Financial and Insurance Services when Mr. Engler reorganized state departments in 2000.

For the last two years, Mr. Fitzgerald has been a member of the Clark Hill Law firm, where he was managing attorney for the Lansing office.

"Frank Fitzgerald was an honorable human being who upheld a long-standing family tradition of public service with honor and distinction," said Michigan Governor Jennifer Granholm. "In an era when politics and government are too often rife with partisanship, he stood out as a true model of civility. We mourn his loss and extend our deepest sympathy to his family."

Governor Granholm ordered flags lowered to half-staff within the State Capitol Complex to honor Mr. Fitzgerald until the day of his interment. Flags were also lowered on Mackinac Island.

Dennis Cawthorne, chairman of Mackinac Island State Park Commission and a lobbyist for the state Legislature, remembers Mr. Fitzgerald.

"I had the pleasure of knowing and working with Frank Fitzgerald on many matters over the years," said Mr. Cawthorne. "He was a public servant of the greatest integrity. He was scrupulously honest, always a gentleman, and a moderate who gained the respect of everyone he met. He will be missed by many, many people."

"Frank Fitzgerald was a dedicated public servant and this is truly a tragedy," said state Office of Financial and Insurance Services Commissioner Linda Watters. "He served with distinction for many years in the Legislature and was an energetic and capable leader as the first commissioner of the Office of Financial and Insurance Services. He will truly be missed by all who knew him, and the State of Michigan has lost a great man."

Mr. Fitzgerald was a member of the First Congregational, United Church of Christ, in Grand Ledge, where he was an active leader. He coached many of his children's sports teams and enjoyed golf, and he read extensively in history and politics, said his family.

Mr. Fitzgerald is survived by his wife, Ruth, whom he married in 1981; a son, John Wesley, 14, and a daughter, Ellen Lora, 17; His parents, John and Lorabeth Fitzgerald of Grand Ledge; two brothers and their families, Eric Fitzgerald and Adam Fitzgerald and Lisa Sell, of Denver, and a close cousin and her family, Emily and Paul Fullerton of St. Ignace.

He is also survived by members of his wife's brothers and their families, Jim and Charlene Davey of Jacksonville, Florida, and Mark and Mary Beth Davey of Grosse Pointe Farms.

A memorial service was held at 2 p.m. Wednesday, December 15, at First Congregational, United Church of Christ in Grand Ledge. The family held a private interment.

Holihan Atkin Funeral Home of Grand Ledge served the family.

Memorial contributions to the church can be made in lieu of flowers.



## **Stacy G. Funtukis Worthington**

**November 17, 1955 — August 7, 2013 (Aged 57)**

Stacy G. Worthington of Grand Ledge a loving wife, mother, grandmother and sister passed away August 7, 2013 at home surrounded by family. She will be greatly missed by all of her family, close friends and longtime co-workers. Stacy was born November 17, 1955 in Lansing Michigan to the late Louis and Kanella (Sinus) Funtukis. She was a Grand Ledge High School graduate Class of 1974. She went on to attend Western Michigan University and worked for Farm Bureau Insurance Company for nearly forty years. Stacy is survived by her husband of thirty-six years, Tony; daughters, Anissa Kay (Beau) Montgomery and Krista Lou Worthington; Granddaughter, Everleigh Jane Montgomery; brother, Harry (Denise) Funtukis; nieces and nephews, Lexi and Zoe Funtukis, Matt (Jane) and Missy DeJong, Ted (Teresa) and Megan Worthington. She was preceded in death by her sister, Stefani DeJong; her yaya, Stella Sinas and special brother-in-law, Terry Worthington.

A Funeral service will be celebrated by Father Mark Sietsema at Holy Trinity Greek Orthodox Church, 1701 E. Saginaw Street, Lansing, MI on Monday, August 12, 2013, 10:00am. Interment will follow in Oakwood Cemetery, Grand Ledge. The family will receive friends on Sunday from 2-4:00pm and 6-8:00pm with a Trisagion Service at 7:00pm at the Holihan-Atkin Funeral Home, Grand Ledge. Memorial contributions may be given to the Bladder Cancer Advocacy Network (BCAN) 4915 St. Elmo Ave., Suite 202, Bethesda, MD 20814 or the Holy Trinity Greek Orthodox Church.



## **Jon "Skully" Alan Guilford**

**August 26, 1955 — August 27, 2018 (Aged 63)**

Jon "Skully" Guilford age 63; was born August 26, 1955 and died August 27, 2018 in Mulliken. He was known for the stories he told, his incredible memory, and often shared simple yet practical advice. The love he had for his family was deep-rooted, though not always outwardly expressed. He enjoyed living life to the fullest and MINDING HIS OWN BUSINESS! He was preceded in death by his left leg and by his dad, Loren Russell Guilford, who was the toughest man in town. He is survived by his mother, Arletta; sister, Ann (Tim) Leeck; children, Michael (Shira), Loren II (Brittany), and Cassie Guilford; grandchildren, Lily Fullingim, Marley and Cecelia Guilford; nephews, Christopher (Kelli) Goodwin and Austin Leeck; niece, Hilary Goodwin; great nephews and niece, Andrew Tessmer, Oliver and Emily Goodwin; and numerous extended family. A small memorial gathering will be held at the Mulliken park on Saturday September 1 from 1 pm to 3 pm.





## Debra Lynn Jones Ladd

**August 26, 1955 — August 27, 2018 (Aged 63)**

Debra Ladd passed away peacefully at home with the love of her family by her side on October 7, 2018 at the young age of 62. Debra was a strong and positive woman who handled life's up and downs with a grace that few possess. Her love of life and family was contagious; she was a bright light who was eternally positive, fun loving and creative. She made every house a home, and could make even the most mundane of tasks fun. Her beautiful smile and gentle touch could comfort you. She lived a full life enjoying the sunshiny days, a road trip to the lake, cheering on MSU football, but most of all being with her family, especially her "little's". There will never be another like her, and she will be deeply missed.

She is survived by her loving husband of 46 years Michael, Daughters: Caron (Daniel) Hartsuff, Alicia (Desmond) Morgan, Ashlie (Erik) Luca; 8 Grandbabies: Allen, Riese, Simmone, Issac, Sullivan, Delaney, Ilyrian and Isaiah; her parents Richard and Ann Jones; Sister Cindi (Roger) Gustafson, Brothers Dan and Doug Jones, and many special friends.

Funeral services will be held at 11:00 a.m. on Saturday, October 13, 2018 at Peters & Murray Funeral Home, Grand Ledge, with Rev. Pastor Marilyn Danielson officiating. Interment will follow at Delta Center Cemetery, Delta Township. Visitation will be Friday 4-7 p.m. at the funeral home. Those wishing to do so may make memorial contributions to Sparrow Foundation

(Neo-Natal Care) in memory of Lindsay & Lanie Ladd or Ele's Place healing center for grieving children. Online condolences may be shared at [www.petersandmurrayfuneralhome.com](http://www.petersandmurrayfuneralhome.com)



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## Richard Wells Kleinfelt

**October 18, 1955 — December 20, 2022 (Aged 67)**

Richard Wells Kleinfelt of Grand Ledge, MI, passed away December 20, 2022 at the age of 67. Richard was born in Lansing, MI on October 18, 1955, son of the late Richard and Marian (Humphrey) Kleinfelt. He was a graduate of Grand Ledge High School class of 1974. In 1976 Richard went to work for Pete Clark and currently Jake Clark and has continued to work for Clark Farms as a hired hand for over 40 years. He enjoyed spending time in the Upper Peninsula at their property in L'Anse, Michigan. Richard was very knowledgeable in Baseball; loved being a part of the sport and volunteering for the teams; never missing any of his children's and grandchildren's games. Besides his enjoyment of fishing, golfing, and baseball; he was a very big fan of the University of Michigan Wolverines and the Detroit Tigers.

Richard is survived by his loving wife of 38 years, Margo Kleinfelt; son, Patrick (Sydney) Kleinfelt; daughter McCall (Paul) Salmon; grandchildren: Colt, Dawson, Kayla, and Delaney; sister, Cynthia (Ron) Whitney; nieces and nephews; sister-in-law, Mary Jo Brockway; his special Upper Peninsula family. He is preceded in death by his parents.



A Memorial Service will take place on Saturday, January 21, 2022 at 2:00 p.m. with visitation one hour prior to the service at the Eagle Park Hall with Pastor Peter Suomela officiating. In lieu of flowers, donations can be made to Eaton Community Bank as a scholarship fund will be created in Rick's memory. The family has entrusted arrangements to Mills Funeral Home, Peters & Murray Chapel, Grand Ledge. Online condolences may be placed at [www.millsfuneral.com](http://www.millsfuneral.com).





## William "Bill" Alan Kenney

**December 12, 1955 — August 2, 2018 (Aged 62)**

William "Bill" Alan Kenney of El Paso, Texas formerly of Grand Ledge went to be with the Lord August 2, 2018 surrounded by his loving family. Bill was an attentive husband, brother, uncle, friend and educator. He will be missed for his love of those around him and the many unselfish acts of kindness, often putting the needs of others before himself. Bill was born December 12, 1955 in Lansing, Michigan to the late William A. and Marilyn J. (Kyes) Kenney. He graduated from Grand Ledge High School Class of 1974 and went on to receive three Master's Degrees. He was a well loved and proud educator retiring from Wiggs Middle School in El Paso, Texas. Bill had been recognized twice as Teacher of the Year and viewed his career as a calling and a privilege. He positively impacted many young people's lives. He was also a proud Eagle Scout and continued serving as a Scout Leader and in the Council. He was an accomplished photographer, enjoyed music and singing.

He is survived by his adoring wife of twenty years, Glenna (Acker); siblings, Michael (Penny), Dave (Debra) and Becky Kenney; niece, Stacie (Aaron) Straw and nephews, David II and Mitch (Virginia) Kenney.

A Funeral service will be held Tuesday, August 7, 2018, 12:00 p.m. at Grand Ledge Baptist Church with Pastor Andrew Ford, officiating. Visitation will be Monday from 5-8:00 p.m. at the

Holihan-Atkin-Barclay Funeral Home, Grand Ledge. Memorial contributions may be given to Lee & Beulah Moor Children's Home, 1100 East Cliff Drive, El Paso, Texas 79902 (<https://leemoor.org/getinvolved/financial-contributions/>).



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## Kristen Kay Jackson Lawrence Longworth

**February 8, 1956 — January 7, 2024 (Aged 67)**

Kristen Kay Jackson Longworth (née Kristen Lawrence), of Lansing, MI was born on February 8, 1956 to Orval Keith Lawrence and Lois Jean Lawrence (née Lois Wilcox) at St. Lawrence Hospital. She passed away in her home on January 7, 2024 surrounded by her partner and sons.

The second of 6 siblings, Kris grew up in Grand Ledge, MI and graduated from Grand Ledge High School. She was an employee of the State of Michigan for 31 years, her last position being an IT support specialist with the Department of Natural Resources. After retiring at the age of 55, Kris enjoyed many adventures. She was a camp counselor and waterfront director with the Girl Scouts of America in Michigan's Upper Peninsula and taught kayaking classes. Affectionately referred to as "Paddles" by campers and other camp counselors, working at the Girl Scouts summer camps was a perfect way to spend her retirement years as she loved kids and really enjoyed being outside hiking, kayaking, and camping. She was an animal lover who rescued greyhounds and also very much enjoyed being a grandma to her four grandchildren (Lukas, Sloane, Ruth, and Hazel).



Sloane, Ruth, and Hazel).

Kris is survived by her four sons (Dana Jackson, Kaleb Longworth, Joel Longworth, and Gabriel Longworth), five siblings (Kimber Lawrence, Kurt Lawrence, Kelli Teceno, Kara Bond, and Kyle Lawrence), her partner Judy Johnston, her four aforementioned grandchildren, and many nieces, nephews, great nieces, and great nephews, all of whom she adored. Kris is preceded in death by her father Keith and her mother Lois.

A celebration of her life will be held later this spring and her sons will scatter her ashes together at a few of the special places they enjoyed on their many family vacations to the UP. In lieu of flowers, donations can be made in memory of Kris to the Alzheimer's Association or The Michigan Greyhound Connection.



## **Donna Marie Leisenring Lasu**

**March of 1956 — December 23, 2018 (Aged 62)**

Donna Marie Lasu (Leisenring) was born in Lansing, MI in March of 1956. She passed away on December 23, 2018, from complications of Alzheimer's. Donna was a graduate of Grand Ledge High School, and received a master's degree in Audiology from Central Michigan University. She worked for the federal government as an audiologist at various military bases, and VA hospitals in California. Donna was preceded in death by her parents, Myrle and Marian Leisenring; and sister-in-law, Lynn Leisenring. Donna is survived by her daughter, Akiye Lasu, and granddaughter, Mila Gonzalez; sister, Ruth Ann (Guy) Garland; and brothers, Mark, Gary, and John Leisenring. She also leaves behind five nieces; three nephews; a great niece; and a great nephew. A memorial service will take place January 13, 2019, at 1pm at Gorsline Runciman Funeral Homes, 205 E. Washington, DeWitt, MI 48820.

Per Donna's request, cremation will take place. The family would like to thank the owners and staff of Addie's Acres for the wonderful care that was given to Donna during her time there. In lieu of flowers, the family is requesting donations to be made to the following associations: Sparrow Foundation, P.O. Box 30480, Lansing, MI 48909 and Alzheimer's Association, Capital Area Regional Office, 2111 University Park Dr. Suite 200, Okemos, MI 48864. Memories and condolences may be shared at [www.grdewitt.com](http://www.grdewitt.com)



## **Stuart R. Lewis**

**June 25, 1956 — September 7, 2017 (Aged 61)**

Stuart R. Lewis, 61, passed away on September 7, 2017 from injuries sustained in a vehicle-pedestrian accident. He was born June 25, 1956 to Lionel C. Lewis and Inez M. Lewis Appling, who preceded him in death. He was also preceded in death by his step-mother, Dorothy M. Lewis, and sister Kathleen P. Lewis.

Stuart was graduate of Grand Ledge High School and a Navy veteran, having proudly served as a Chief Petty Officer on the USS Kincaid, including a tour in the Gulf War. He also worked for Maintenance Masters in Battle Creek for many years before retiring in 2001.

He is survived by brother Kendall of San Francisco, CA, and sisters Karen (Paul) Ainslie of Indianapolis, IN, and H. Gabrielle Burtless of Phoenix, AZ.

Local arrangements are being handled by Royal Funeral Home in Battle Creek. Services will be private and held at a later date. [www.royalfuneralhome.net](http://www.royalfuneralhome.net)



## **Benny Leos Lopez**

**September 1, 1955 — May 16, 2019 (Aged 63)**

Benny Leos Lopez, 63, of Grand Ledge, MI, passed away suddenly on May 16, 2019. He was born September 1, 1955 in San Antonio, Texas, son of Benny L. Machado and Jovita Leos. Benny was retired from General Motors, served in the United States Army, and after retirement he worked as an apprentice electrician. He enjoyed watching his kids play basketball; loved to play guitar, sing karaoke, and spending time with his grandkids.

Proceeded in death by Sharon J. Lopez. He is survived by his wife of 9 years, Robin, 4 sons: Jeff (Karen) Strickling, Jason (Amiee) Atwell, Benny (Amanda) Lopez II, Matthew (Amber) Lopez; 3 daughters: Jennifer (Lance) Kukla, Tisha (Brian) Appelgreen, Lindsey (Steve Dekarske) Lopez; 3 step daughters: Candace (George) Tallman, Brittany (Jarrell) Gerald, Samantha Thomas; 13 grandchildren; sisters Josie (Dave) Hudson and Lolie Leos, and brothers: John (Karen) Lopez, Rudy (Karen) Lopez, Ricky (Kelly) Uribe, Billy (Michelle Cobus) Uribe, and Larry Uribe.

Funeral services will be held Wednesday, May 22, 2019 at 11:00 a.m. at Peters & Murray Funeral Home, Grand Ledge, with interment to follow at Oakwood Cemetery, Grand Ledge. Visitation will be Tuesday from 2-4 and 6-8 p.m. In lieu of flowers, memorial contributions may be made to St. Vincent's Orphanage, 2800 W. Willow St., Lansing, MI 48917. Online condolences may be shared at [www.petersandmurrayfuneralhome.com](http://www.petersandmurrayfuneralhome.com)



### **Class of 1974**

## **Linda Kay Lubbers John**

**July 13, 1955 - March 3, 2024 (Aged 68)**

Linda Kay John, 68, of Burlington, died Sunday, March 3, 2024 at her home.

Born July 13, 1955 in Lansing, Michigan, she was the daughter of Nancy Riggs Black.

Linda graduated from Grand Ledge High School in Grand Ledge, Michigan. She married Randy John on November 22, 1983 in Beaufort, South Carolina. They recently celebrated their 40th anniversary.

Linda had a strong Christian Faith. She was a vet assistant and loved all animals. She was a people person with a kind heart. She loved working with flowers and the outdoors.

Survivors include her husband Randy of Burlington and two sisters Leslie Bird of Rolla, MO and Beverly Jones of Vicksburg, Michigan.

She was preceded in death by her mother Nancy; infant son; brother Keith and sister Kathy.

The memorial service for Linda will be 2pm, Sunday, March 10th at Lunning Chapel with Dr Jason Unzicker officiating. Family will receive friends one hour prior to service. Inurnment will be at a later date.

Cremation has been accorded and entrusted to the care of Lunning Chapel.  
A memorial has been established.





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## **Dianne Lee Matelsky**

**August 28, 1956 — November 6, 2023 (Aged 67)**

Dianne Lee Matelsky, passed away November 6, 2023, at the age of 67. Dianne was born on August 28, 1956 in Lansing, daughter of Walter E. and Elizabeth (Cummins) Matelsky. She was a graduate of Grand Ledge High School class of 1974, and retired from the State of Michigan as a Top Level Secretary after 40 years. Dianne volunteered at the Red Cross. She enjoyed reading and knitting, but most of all spending time with her most important companion, dog Romy.

She is survived by her sister Jane Matelsky, numerous nieces and nephews. Dianne is preceded in death by her parents, brother Fred Henning, and sister's, Pamela Matelsky and Kay Penny, and beloved dog Romy.

Cremation has taken place and there will be no service. The family has entrusted arrangements to the Mills Funeral Home, Peters & Murray Chapel, Grand Ledge. Online condolences may be placed at [www.mills-funeral.com](http://www.mills-funeral.com).



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## **Richard "Rick" James Sheren**

**March 5, 1956 — May 27, 2023 (Aged 67)**

Richard "Rick" J. Sheren of Sunfield, passed away on May 27, 2023 at the age of 67, he was born in Lansing, MI on March 5, 1956, son of Richard "Dick" and Jackie (Meister) Sheren. Rick was a graduate of Grand Ledge High School class of 1974, and served his country proudly for 8 years in the United States Army as a helicopter mechanic. He worked for Millbrook Printing and APEC. Rick was a member of the Sebewa Church of God, Grand Ledge American Legion Post #48, and the Woodland Fraternal Order of Eagles. He enjoyed listening to classic rock music, rebuilding cars, playing drums, playing the harmonica, hunting, camping, and anything to do with the outdoors.

Rick is survived by his children: Stephen (Lauren) Sheren, Shelbey (Walt) Whitaker, and Stacey (Cory) Rice; grandchildren: Elaina, Nora, DeAnna, and Janie; siblings: Dave (Kimm) Sheren, Karol (Chris) Iskra, Joyce (Don) Sheren-Starr and Quentin Colby; several nieces and nephews. He is preceded in death by his parents, wife DeAnna Sheren (Graszler), infant son Kenneth James Sheren, and best friend Larry Cunningham.

A Celebration of Life with Military Honors will be held on Saturday, June 17, 2023 from 2:00 to 8:00 p.m. at the American Legion Post #48, 731 N Clinton St, Grand Ledge, MI 48837. The family has requested that anyone that attends wear their favorite band shirt in memory of Rick's love of music. In lieu of flowers, donations can be made in loving memory of Rick to the Veteran's Association or the American Cancer Society. The family has entrusted arrangements to the Mills Funeral Home, Peters & Murray Chapel, Grand Ledge. Online condolences may be placed at [www.millsfuneral.com](http://www.millsfuneral.com).





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# **Timothy Carl Terwilliger**

**August 10, 1956 — November 18, 2023 (Aged 67)**

Timothy Carl Terwilliger, a devoted husband, soulmate, proud dad, best friend, and longtime Eagle resident passed away November 18, 2023. Tim was born August 10, 1956 in Lansing, Michigan. He graduated from Grand Ledge High School in the Class of 1974 and was the owner and operator of Block Sloan Heating and Cooling for nearly 20 years. He enjoyed his work and work family. He was a car guy with a special love for the Camaro. After retiring, Tim enjoyed traveling with his wife and especially enjoyed their Route 66 trip together.



He is survived by his wife of over 46 years, Cynthia (Lehman); son, Alex (Heather) Terwilliger; grandson, Benjamin Niklas along with sisters, brother and many nieces and nephews. Tim was preceded in death by his parents.

A celebration of Tim's life will be held Thursday, November 30th from 1-5pm at Eagle Park Reception Hall, 14331 S. Grange Road, Eagle, Michigan 48822. Memorial contributions may be given to Sparrow Foundation, Hospice Services, 1215 E. Michigan Avenue, Lansing, Michigan 48912 (<https://secure.qgiv.com/for/spaheasys>). Arrange-

ments by the Holihan-Atkin-Barclay Funeral Home, Grand Ledge. Share your memories and condolences online at [www.holihanatkin.com](http://www.holihanatkin.com)



# **Thomas C. Tiedt**

**BIRTH: 1956 — DEATH: 1989 (Aged 32-33)**

Burial: DeWitt City Cemetery  
DeWitt, Clinton County, Michigan, USA

( NO OTHER INFORMATION WAS AVAILABLE.)



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# **Deborah Jean Whitney Langin**

**October 3, 1955 — December 17, 2022 (Aged 67)**

Deborah Jean Langin (Whitney) of Grand Ledge passed away unexpectedly on December 17, 2022. Deb was born October 3, 1955 in Lansing, Michigan to the late Eugene Richard & Nova Jean (Comstock) Whitney. She was a graduate from the Grand Ledge High School Class of 1974 and long-term resident of Grand Ledge.

Debbie worked providing in-home healthcare until she retired to care for her parents. She had a huge giving heart and all who knew her would tell you that she gave more and expected nothing in return. Debbie's love for peanut butter fudge, chocolate covered cherries, peanut brittle, cooking for her family, and spirit is what made Christmas her very favorite time of year. Her early years consisted of camping, fishing, bingo and being a second mother to her great nieces, nephews, grandchildren, and neighbor kids. Her kindness went without notice and to know her was to love her. Her absence will be felt deeply by her family and friends along with her "extended" Serenity Place family.

She is survived by grandchildren, Jayde Langin and Gage Holton; nephews, Earl Whitney and Robert (Angela) Whitney, great nieces and nephews, Emily (Kirk) Martinez, EJ Whitney, Evan Whitney, Hali (Justin) Litchfield and Sara (Cody) Black along with many great great nieces and nephews. Deb was preceded in death by her parents Richard & Nova Whitney and her brother, Robert Whitney.

Please come celebrate her life and share stories with her family and friends on January 2, 2023, 2:00 PM at Serenity Place Hall located at 216 S. Clinton St, Grand Ledge, MI 48837. Arrangements by the Holihan-Atkin-Barclay Funeral Home, Grand Ledge. Share your memories and condolences online at [www.holihanatkin.com](http://www.holihanatkin.com)



# **Joel Kent Wilson**

**October 30, 1956 — September 27, 2021 (Aged 64)**

Joel Kent Wilson, 64 of Mulliken, MI, passed away on September 27, 2021. He was born on October 30, 1956 in Lansing, MI son of Allen and Geraldine (Hoffman) Wilson. Joel was a graduate of Grand Ledge High School class of 1974. He was a member of the Teamster Union as a truck driver, did commercial fishing in Florida, welded, retired from the Red Cross as a transporter, loved his cats but his true passion was fishing.

Joel is survived by his daughter Jessica Wilson, son Justin Wilson, brother Jon Wilson, sister Jane Lombardo, grandchildren: Donovan, Jayce, Damien, Angel, and Lilly; ex-wife Kathy Wilson; many nieces, nephews and cousins. He is preceded in death by his parents, brothers Jim Wilson and Doug (Celia) Wilson, and sister-in-law Janine Wilson.

No services will be held at this time. In lieu of flowers, memorial contributions may be made to C.A.S.T. for Kids Foundation, 2755 Commercial St. SE, Suite 101 Salem, OR 97302. The family has entrusted arrangements to Mills Funeral Home, Peters & Murray Chapel, Grand Ledge. Memories and condolences may be shared online at [www.petersandmurrayfuneralhome.com](http://www.petersandmurrayfuneralhome.com).his, Tennessee 38105(<https://www.stjude.org/donate/donate-to-st-jude.html>). Share your memories and condolences online at [www.holihanatkin.com](http://www.holihanatkin.com)



