



## April A. Hicks

April 21, 1944 - March 22, 2025

April Artel Hicks, age 80, of Clare, passed away peacefully at Pioneer Golden Estates on Saturday, March 22, 2025, with her family by her side. She was born the daughter of Forrest and Jane (Baker) Van Horn on April 21, 1944, in Mt. Pleasant. April married Rodger Hicks on June 20, 1964, and he survives her. April and Roger jointly owned Hicks Jewelers in Clare where she had worked alongside Rodger, all while fulfilling the duties of being a Fulltime Mom! She had been a member of the Clare Chamber of Commerce, serving as President, and was a Grand Marshal of the Summerfest Celebration. She loved Old Western Television channels, the color, Blue, and Iced Tea. Gathering with friends and family was where she was the happiest, and you knew that Macaroni & Cheese along with Rice Krispy Treats would be there! April was a "15-year Cancer survivor". She had attended the Clare United Methodist Church.

April is survived by her loving and devoted husband of 60 years, Rodger; her sons, David, Michael, and Terry; her grandchildren, Charlie and Gwendolyn (who brought her Great Joy and Pride); and a "Bonus son and granddaughter", Jayson Maurer and his daughter, Ayssa. April was preceded in death by her parents, and her brother, Charlie Van Horn.

A Funeral Service to Celebrate April's Life, (wearing Blue is encouraged) will be held on Wednesday, Mar. 26, 2025, at 11:00 AM at the Clare United Methodist Church with Pastor Lane Van officiating. Burial will follow in the Cherry Grove Cemetery. Friends may visit with her family on Tuesday at the

Clare Chapel of Stephenson-Wyman Funeral Home from 4 to 8 PM and on Wednesday morning at the church from 10 AM until the service time at 11 AM. Memorial gifts in lieu of flowers may be directed to the Clare County Arts Council.

# Cemetery Details

## Cherry Grove Cemetery

1000 Cedar St.  
Clare, MI 48617

# Previous Events

## Visitation

MAR **25**. 4:00 PM - 8:00 PM (ET)

Stephenson - Wyman Funeral Home (Clare)  
1005 North McEwan St.  
Clare, MI 48617  
(989) 386-7451  
wymanh@chartermi.net  
<https://www.stephenson-wyman.com/>

## Visitation

MAR **26**. 10:00 AM - 11:00 AM (ET)

Clare United Methodist Church  
105 E. Seventh Street  
Clare, MI 48617

## Funeral Service

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MAR **26**. 11:00 AM (ET)

Clare United Methodist Church  
105 E. Seventh Street  
Clare, MI 48617

# Tribute Wall

JR

“ Jackie Adams, George & Zan Raymond purchased the Beautiful in Blue for the family of April A. Hicks.



Jackie Adams, George & Zan Raymond - March 25, 2025 at 09:04 PM

TP

“ The Pinnells purchased the Full Of Love Bouquet for the family of April A. Hicks.



The Pinnells - March 25, 2025 at 02:07 PM

DE

“ Deb lit a candle in memory of April A. Hicks



Deb - March 25, 2025 at 11:18 AM

DE

“ Our sincerest condolences to your entire family. We were so sorry to hear of April's passing and the sadness on this family. She has given you a lot of good memories to hold on to. You are in our thoughts and prayers. The Jim Motz family

Deb - March 25, 2025 at 10:59 AM



“ *Full Of Love Bouquet was purchased for the family of April A. Hicks.*



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March 24, 2025 at 08:16 PM



“ A [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) was planted in honor of April A. Hicks.

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March 24, 2025 at 08:16 PM



“ *Such a fun, sweet, positive lady. Hugs for Roger and her family.*

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**Lynn Sisson** - March 24, 2025 at 05:26 PM



“ *Beautiful in Blue was purchased for the family of April A. Hicks.*



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March 24, 2025 at 02:42 PM



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BS

“ So sorry to hear of Aprils passing. She was a lovely lady and always so friendly. She will be missed. So sorry Rodger and boys for your loss

Bonnie and Jim Smith - March 24, 2025 at 12:05 PM

MM

“ Dear friend and lovely lady.... May the family find comfort and solace in their memories

Melanie Muir - March 24, 2025 at 01:47 AM

RG

“ So Sorry for your loss are thoughts and Prayers to the Family from Randy,Lisa and Family



Randy Gillis - March 23, 2025 at 09:57 PM

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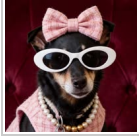
“ Dearest Roger, David, Michael and Terry, we were sorry to read of April's passing. Our love and hugs are with all of you. We will always remember her warm smile. Blessings.

Carl and Patti Leis - March 23, 2025 at 09:34 PM

AR

“ Condolences to Rodger & family!

Arlene Robison - March 23, 2025 at 08:41 PM



“ April was such a kind woman. I have many fond memories of her. Praying for Rodger and her boys can find peace in their wonderful memories.

Janet Sowle - March 23, 2025 at 07:37 PM



“ Janet Sowle lit a candle in memory of April A. Hicks



Janet Sowle - March 23, 2025 at 07:35 PM



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