



## C. Martha "Marty" Koch

February 5, 1926 - November 29, 2012

Caroline Martha "Marty" Koch, age 86, of Clare, passed away on Thursday, Nov. 29, at Prestige Place in Clare. She was born the daughter of Russell and Josie (Clark) Koch on Feb. 5, 1926, in Clare. Marty was a lifelong resident of Clare and had served Kraft Foods in Clare for 38 years as an office manager. She had attended St. Cecilia Catholic Church until she was prevented by failing health. Marty was a wonderful homemaker, perhaps a bit obsessive about keeping a clean house. She dearly loved spoiling her nieces. Survivors include her brother Willard and Ruby Koch of Clare, sister Josephine Koch of Clare, several nieces and nephews, and many friends. Marty was preceded in death by her brothers, Paul, Max, Russell, Harold, and Richard, and sisters, Virginia, Frances, Thelma, and Phyllis. Funeral services will be held on Monday, Dec. 3, at 11:30 AM from the Clare Chapel of Stephenson-Wyman Funeral Home with burial in the Cherry Grove Cemetery. Friends may call at the funeral home on Sunday from 2 to 4 and 7 to 9 PM. Memorials may be directed to the Clare County Habitat for Humanity or to the charity of your choice.

# Cemetery Details

## Cherry Grove Cemetery

1000 Cedar St.  
Clare, MI 48617

# Previous Events

## Visitation

DEC 2. 2:00 AM - 4:00 AM (ET)

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

## Visitation

DEC 2. 7:00 AM - 9:00 AM (ET)

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# Tribute Wall

LM

“ Ours thoughts and prayers go out to the Koch family. I grew up next door to Martha and her sisters. I have fond memories of our families eating together on their patio in the summer when I was little. Les and Mary McNeill

Les McNeill - December 09, 2012 at 04:00 PM

CB

“ Chris Banash lit a candle in memory of C. Martha "Marty" Koch



Chris Banash - December 02, 2012 at 04:12 PM

CB

It's funny how you remember things when we'd visit Clare, and all the folks there, But one of the things I remember was her sense of humor, love of her family. She was a tough, classy lady, with a heart of gold. Thanks Aunt Marty for the great breakfasts we'd share when I was little, I will never forget them.

Chris Banash - December 02, 2012 at 04:19 PM

JK

“ Judy Koch-Gulotty lit a candle in memory of C. Martha "Marty" Koch



Judy Koch-Gulotty - December 02, 2012 at 03:50 PM

JB

“ Jolene (Koch) Bottini lit a candle in memory of C. Martha "Marty" Koch



Jolene (Koch) Bottini - December 02, 2012 at 02:15 PM

CN

“ Carolyn Norton-smith lit a candle in memory of C. Martha "Marty" Koch



carolyn norton-smith - December 02, 2012 at 10:40 AM



*i had the honor of being named after aunt marty...and when i would introduce her to someone she would say very proudly "she's named after me you know!" chose a periwinkle candle because you were the one who schooled me in the differences in "blues"....love, carolyn*

carolyn niece - December 02, 2012 at 10:45 AM

DS

“ It has been many years since I have seen Marty though I remember her wit and direct way of speaking always made me smile. Pam and Gerry my thoughts and prayers go out to you. Love Donna.

Donna J. Stelzer - December 01, 2012 at 05:09 PM

DS

“ Donna J. Stelzer lit a candle in memory of C. Martha "Marty" Koch



Donna J. Stelzer - December 01, 2012 at 05:06 PM

BD

“ Bridget Delaney lit a candle in memory of C. Martha "Marty" Koch



Bridget Delaney - December 01, 2012 at 07:53 AM

BD

*To my dear Aunt Marty, I thank you you for all of the wonderful memories...especially the "navy blue boat shoes" you always made sure were in my camping bag every summer... for being a role model to me, albeit from afar, inspring me to rise above it all and to carry on no matter what, always making sure I looked my best. Marty had a wonderful sense of style, a wonderful smile and was one of the hardest working women I have ever known. She was a wonderful loving daughter to Josie and sister to 11 brothers and sisters. She fought the good fight and she now sits with God and her family in heaven and I am sure it is a front row seat! Say hi to my mama and let her know we are missing her every day. God's speed Aunt Marty, you may be away but will never be forgotten...keeping the light on and the broom close by. All my love, Bridget.*

Bridget Delaney - December 01, 2012 at 08:11 AM

MM

“ *Mary Elderkin And Ruth Mason lit a candle in memory of C. Martha "Marty" Koch*



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**Mary Elderkin and Ruth Mason** - November 30, 2012 at 09:54 PM

WW

“ *Marty was just a super human being. I worked with her at the Ideal Theatre when she filled in for her sister in law Ruby. Hey kid she would say to us. Heaven is going to be a real lively place upon her arrival. I am so lucky, so glad to have known her.*

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**William Woodworth** - November 30, 2012 at 09:37 PM