



Denise I. Leis-Way

May 13, 1923 - September 15, 2017

Denise I. Leis-Way, age 94 of Farwell, passed away Friday, September 15, 2017 at the MidMichigan Medical Center in Midland. Denise was born one of sixteen children to Charles and Floy (Alwood) Haring on May 13, 1923 in Clare. She was united in marriage to Emil Leis on March 29, 1940 in Clare with him predeceasing her on October 11, 1999. Following Emil's passing Denise was married to her loving husband Richard "Bud" Way on August 3, 2001. Denise had lived in Clare and Harrison before making her home on Lake 13 in Farwell. She had worked at Holley Carburetor until they closed and then worked as a waitress at numerous Clare establishments. Denise was an auxiliary member of both the Clare Eagles Club and the Clare Moose Lodge. She loved to dance, bowl, take walks and fish.

Denise is survived by her husband Bud; children Anita (Donald) Herkel of Farwell, Carol (Tom) Hynes of Beulah and Roger (Mariann) Leis of Clare; 9 grandchildren and 13 great grandchildren; her siblings Glenda (Art) Baker, Lynda (Bob) Hitchcock, Margo (Rev) Benchley, Sharla Mitchell and Jim (Jeanette) Haring as well as her brothers-in-law Don Bigelow and Merle (Wilma) Phillips, and her sister-in-law Pat Haring. Denise was predeceased by her brothers Warren (Bernice), Jay (Elaine), Carl (Ruth), Frank (Clara), and Lanny Haring, sisters Donna (John) Colosky, Dolores (Milan) Robison, Drucilla Bigelow, Laila Phillips, Leila Butler and brother-in-law Bob Mitchell.

Visitation and services will be held at the Farwell Chapel of Stephenson-Wyman Funeral Home on Tuesday, September 19, 2017. Visitation will be

from 11 A.M. until the time of service at 3 P.M. led by Pastor Jim Young.
Memorial contributions may be made to the St. Jude's Children's Hospital or
to the March of Dimes. On-line guestbook at www.stephenson-wyman.com

Previous Events

Visitation

SEP **19.** 11:00 AM - 3:00 PM (ET)

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Tribute Wall

GC

“ *My favorite memories of Grandma was her fabulous Thanksgiving dinners with all the family. Even though it has been 30 years since she has prepared them, I still miss them.* ”

Gregory Campbell - September 18, 2017 at 09:11 PM



“ *Beautiful Heart Bouquet was purchased for the family of Denise I. Leis-Way.* ”



September 18, 2017 at 07:41 PM

LR

“ *Linda and Dwayne Raczkowski purchased the Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum for the family of Denise I. Leis-Way.* ”



Linda and Dwayne Raczkowski - September 18, 2017 at 11:08 AM



Danielle Davison

“ *Danielle Davison purchased the Emerald Garden Basket for the family of Denise I. Leis-Way.* ”



Danielle Davison - September 18, 2017 at 10:33 AM

RW

“ *My prayers and thoughts are with you Bud and Denise family.*

Rose Webb - September 17, 2017 at 09:59 PM



“ *My Grandma was a speed walker..when I was younger we would take walks around the lake and I swear I would almost have to run just to keep up with her. And I swear up til when she fell and hurt her hip about a month ago, I still wouldn't be able to keep up. I only hope I'm as healthy as she was at her age. And I will miss her like crazy. Til we meet again Grandma* 💜



Dawn Estes - September 17, 2017 at 07:25 PM

MS

“ *Aunt Denise just always amazed me, she just never seemed to age! Loved watching her at wedding receptions out on the dance floor dancing the night away!! And her smile, loved her smile!! I will always hold her closeto my heart! Love you all.*

Marge Smith - September 17, 2017 at 07:15 PM



Danielle Davison

“ *The memory that sticks out most in my mind is the night I went with grandpa and grandma to hear grandpa play. I kept getting beer for myself and grandma and we danced together to every song. We had an absolute blast. It wasn't till the next morning that we got up, looked at each other and realized we had drank way too much. We felt terrible the whole day but whern we thought about, we started to laugh. I think that's the closest I've ever felt to her. I'm glad we got to spend that time together. I love you gramma. You're in my heart always* ❤️



Danielle Davison - September 17, 2017 at 07:01 PM