



Elizabeth "Betty" Balis

June 3, 1929 - September 10, 2022

Elizabeth M. "Betty" Balis, age 93, of Clare, passed away on Saturday, Sept. 10, 2022, at Ascension St. Mary's Hospital in Saginaw. Betty was born the daughter of James and Irene Healy on June 3, 1929, in Royal Oak, Michigan. She married Harry "Bill" Balis on May 20, 1950, They remained in Royal Oak where they raised their three children. In 1977, after the family was raised, they built a home in Farwell and made this area their home. Betty had worked in the Housekeeping Department of the Clare Medical Building (Shurlow Medical Clinic) and later for many more years at the Clare Hospital/ Mid-Michigan Medical Center- Clare, now known as MyMichigan Medical. After retiring, she served as a Hospital Auxiliary Volunteer for many years and had achieved the group's Lifetime Achievement status. Betty was a walking enthusiast and for many years could be spotted clipping down Old 27 on her way to town and back. She loved to swim and fish. She also loved travel and encouraged everyone to do so.

Betty is survived by her children, Charles "Bill" (Nancy) Balis of Royal Oak, Roger (Candace) Balis of Midland, and Mary Ellen (Scott) VanHoose of Clare, her brother, James (Betsey) Healy of Bloomfield Hills, six grandchildren and 11 great-grandchildren. She was preceded in death by her husband, Bill, her brother, John, and a great-grandson Finn Huston.

Funeral services will be held on Friday, September 16, at 11:00 AM from the Clare Chapel of Stephenson-Wyman Funeral Home with Pastor Lane Van officiating. Friends may meet with her family at the funeral home on Thursday,

September 15, from 2-4 and 7-9 PM. Burial will be in the Mt. Pleasant Memorial Gardens Cemetery. Memorial gifts may be made to FinnitForward.org

Cemetery Details

Memorial Gardens Cemetery

740 S. Mission Rd.
Mt. Pleasant, MI 48858

Previous Events

Visitation

SEP **15**. 2:00 PM - 4:00 PM (ET)

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

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SEP **15**. 7:00 PM - 9:00 PM (ET)

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Tribute Wall

MC

“ Mrs Betty was a joy and fun to work with at Dr Shurlows office. She was always pleasant and did an awesome job. Betty always took her break in our office and everyone loved her, My son, John, age 12, shot his first deer (buck)in the woods at our home on Grant Ave., naturally, his father was working, I knew exactly who to call. Betty sent her husband, Bill, to our home and with his jackknife, Bill taught our son how to “gut” a deer. This was our sons first experience deer hunting and with Bill’s help it went well. Our son, and his family will never forget, Bill turned a helpless incident into an excellent memory. I am sorry, I just heard today of Betty’s passing . We at “Doc’s” office loved Ms Betty and looked forward to visiting with her on her coffee break. Blessings to her lovely family as they were an important part of her and Bill’s life. Working for “Doc”, we were all one big family and Betty enjoyed and loved us all.

Mary Cook - September 18, 2022 at 12:01 AM

JM

“ Mary Ellen , Roger and Families
Sorry to hear that your mom passed away
Thoughts and prayers for all at this difficult time.
Sincerely Sharon and Jeff Michels 🙏

jeff michels - September 16, 2022 at 10:39 AM

LJ

“ Love, Jere purchased the Full Of Love Bouquet for the family of Elizabeth "Betty" Balis.



Love, Jere - September 13, 2022 at 08:40 PM

DA

“ Dennis, JoEllen, Kevin, Wendy, & Angie purchased the Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum for the family of Elizabeth "Betty" Balis.



Dennis, JoEllen, Kevin, Wendy, & Angie - September 13, 2022
at 08:21 PM



“ Country Basket Blooms was purchased for the family of Elizabeth "Betty" Balis.



September 13, 2022 at 06:32 PM

SM

“ The Montini family is saddened to learn of Betty's passing. She was such a kind soul and had such a pleasant disposition and always seemed to be so positive. She was a good neighbor and friend to our mother, Violet. Sending our deepest sympathy to the Balis family during this difficult time.

Sharon Montini - September 13, 2022 at 02:18 PM



“ Arrive in Style was purchased for the family of Elizabeth "Betty" Balis.



September 12, 2022 at 01:27 PM

PA

“ I’m very sorry for your loss. The Balis family was like my second family growing up together in the 60’s.
My greatest memory of Betty as a kid was her sense of humor. Her sarcasm always made me laugh.
She’ll be missed by many

May God Bless
Pat

Patrick Azarovitz - September 12, 2022 at 01:03 PM

MS

“ What a wonderful lady...so positive and wonderful to be around. So many good times when she worked at the Medical Building and then the hospital...Dr. Shurlow appreciated and liked her so much. My sincerest condolences.. Mary Ann

Mary Ann Shurlow - September 11, 2022 at 07:41 PM

CN

“ So sorry for your loss. I first met Betty volunteering at the hospital in the ER. She was always a pleasant and comforting presence. She had a loving and accepting way about herself. Most recently we spent mornings at McDonald's visiting with friends and sharing our stories. We loved her very much and wish her joy in God's presence. Our prayers are for her loving family, her little dog and the pesky cat, that will miss her deeply, as we grieve the loss of this beautiful soul.

Cindy Agle, Alan and Bob Newhall - September 11, 2022 at 11:19 AM