



Jeraldine "Jeri" Haynak

December 14, 1939 - January 16, 2021

Jeraldine "Jeri" (Myers) Haynak, age 81 of Clare, passed away on Saturday, January 16, 2021 at the Woodland Hospice Home of Mt. Pleasant with family by her side. On December 14, 1939, Jeri was born the fourth of seven children to Harry and Ida (LaVoye) Myers on their family farm in Kalkaska, MI. She was united in marriage to Robert A. Haynak on January 12, 1957 in Clare County and together they shared nearly forty-two years of marriage until Bob's passing in 1998. Very shortly after their marriage, Jeri and Bob bought their first and only home in Clare to begin growing their family, which would include their sons Robert, Kevin, and Mark. As if raising three Haynak boys successfully wasn't enough hard work—as any reasonable Clare local will attest—Jeri briefly worked for the Essex Wire Corp. in Clare before taking her more locally recognized job with Clare's original Giant Grocery Store. During her time with Giant, Jeri worked in nearly every facet of the store in her twenty-plus years of service. Beyond her clear love as a doting mom, Jeri also took pleasure in utilizing her accomplished cooking and baking skills—always starting from scratch and never following anything but the recipes in her head. Her other passions included growing and gardening her day lilies, keeping up with family and friends over long phone conversations, taking an occasional casino trip with her friends, and going for car rides with her husband Bob in her younger years. However, it was Jeri's time spent in her "grandma daycare" role that she loved the most.

Jeri is survived by her three sons Robert R. (Carol) Haynak of Ithaca, Kevin (Tammy) Haynak of Clare, and Mark (Alissa) Haynak of Clare and her grandchildren Krista (Nick) Wyman, Trevor, Aaron, Devin, and Marcus Haynak. Other survivors include her great-granddaughter Emersyn Wyman, her sisters Joyce Hillman of Indianapolis, Joan (Aaron) Muma of Gladwin, and brothers Delwin (Vonda) Myers of Gladwin and Gary (Ann) Myers, also of Gladwin. Jeri was preceded in death by her husband Bob, her parents Harry and Ida Myers, and her siblings Jean Lambert and Larry Myers.

A funeral service in honor of Jeri will take place on Thursday, January 21, 2021 at 11:00 A.M. at the Clare Chapel of the Stephenson-Wyman Funeral Home with Mr. Stewart Murie officiating. Burial will follow in the St. Cecilia Catholic Cemetery of Clare. Friends may visit with the Haynak family at the funeral home on Wednesday the 20th from 4:00 P.M. to 8:00 P.M. All current Covid-19 guidelines will be observed and masks will be required. Memorial contributions in honor of Jeri may be directed toward Woodland Hospice. For those unable to attend, services will be live-streamed on the Stephenson-Wyman Facebook Page and online condolences may be shared at www.stephenson-wyman.com

Cemetery Details

St. Cecilia Catholic Cemetery

411 Schoolcrest Ave.
Clare, MI 48617

Previous Events

Visitation

JAN 20. 4:00 PM - 8:00 PM (ET)

Stephenson - Wyman Funeral Home (Clare)
1005 North McEwan St.
Clare, MI 48617
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Service

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Tribute Wall

JB

“ *Mark, Bob and Kevin,*

We are so sad to hear of your mom's passing. She was a lovely lady and will be missed by many. May God bless and keep you as you grieve your loss.

Janice and Jim Buckley

Janice Buckley - January 23, 2021 at 01:51 PM

SW

“ *We are sorry to hear of her passing , are thoughts are with the family and wishing them well. From the Gibis Family.*

Shannon Gibis and Wilma - January 21, 2021 at 03:12 PM

MW

“ *Bob, Kevin and Mark,*
I am so sorry to hear about your mom's passing. She was such a lovely lady and so sweet. I always enjoyed when our paths crossed as we enjoyed such good conversation. You are all in my thoughts and prayers.

Mary Wood

Mary Wood - January 21, 2021 at 12:37 PM

DL

“ *I was so saddened to hear Aunt Jeri, it was so wonderful and brought back memories when I got to see you at the reunion. You rest now and know I had fond memories of you. You will be missed.*

Dennis Lambert - January 21, 2021 at 11:38 AM

RH

“ So very sorry to hear Jeri has passed. Too many great memories of Giant and beyond. Jeri had the very Best laugh.. Always her most important role was raising you boy's. She was small but mighty. So thankful for the times we shared. surly missed. Roni & Dan Howard

Roni Howard - January 21, 2021 at 11:12 AM

LM

“ So sorry for the loss of your beautiful Mother. She was my best friend and I will always cherish the joy and love she brought to me. We had so much fun together and her joy of cooking gave ME much joy as she made the best meals for us! There was no stopping her when it came to cooking. She was such a love and will be missed terribly. God Bless all of you and know she is in a better place now without pain or suffering.

Lillian Mathis and Family

Lillian Mathis - January 21, 2021 at 01:56 AM

BK

“ I'm so sorry for your loss of your beautiful mom I remember many times going to your house to take care of you boys. She was always in the kitchen making cookies or dinner. Both your mom and dad were special to me



Betty Kile Kushmaul - January 19, 2021 at 12:16 PM

RS

“ *Rebecca Shear lit a candle in memory of Jeraldine "Jeri" Haynak*



Rebecca Shear - January 19, 2021 at 09:42 AM

MA

“ *I always stopped to see Jeri when I came home to Clare. Always smiling and happy! She was my cousin, neice to my Mother, Roma Olive LaVoye Allen.*

MaryIn Allen Adams - January 19, 2021 at 07:57 AM

JR

“ *So very very sorry to hear of your beautiful mom's passing. You are all in my thoughts and prayers. Julie Gedney Rank*

Julie Gedney Rank - January 18, 2021 at 07:52 PM