



Laura J. Thompson

May 12, 1947 - August 10, 2025

With heavy hearts, we share the news of the passing of our beloved mother and wife, Laura J. Thompson. Born on May 12, 1947, to Leeta and Robert Clark, Sr. in Midland, Michigan, she married her sweetheart, Melvin Thompson, on September 12, 1964, in Clare, Michigan. Just shy of their 61st wedding anniversary, they enjoyed a beautiful journey together, raising three children: Lori Thompson-Heinze, Michael (Nola) Thompson, and Jennifer (Cary) Varney. Their family tree blossomed with grandchildren Gage (Mayte) Passick, Logan (Cassandra) Whitaker, Mackenzie Thompson, Grant Voss, and Landon Whitaker, plus two great-grandchildren, Abraham and Eleanore Whitaker, and her adored dog, Peanut.

Mom was the queen of homemaking, nurturing us all with her generous and compassionate spirit. Her legacy of kindness and “paying it forward” will always be remembered, whether it was by covering a stranger's groceries or delighting cashiers with a soda or candy bar. She instilled in us the belief that giving is the greatest gift. In her final days, she requested in lieu of flowers, we choose to help someone in need. She also requested that no funeral services be held.

The family would like to express their sincere gratitude to everyone who offered prayers and to The Care Team for their kindness and attentiveness. A special acknowledgment goes to her hospice nurse, Tyler Stalter, who treated our mom with grace and dignity, enabling her to spend her final days at home. Additionally, we extend our heartfelt thanks to our friend Stacy Grover for all

her unwavering support.

Tribute Wall

JN

“ Laura & Melvin were our neighbors in Olivet in the late '70's - early 80's. She was a wonderful friend, always ready to lend an ear & have a coffee. I think of her every year when I'm canning...she taught me how to can tomatoes. A wonderful lady, she will be missed by everyone lucky enough to know her. Jean Norton & family.

Jean Norton - September 16, 2025 at 08:48 PM

CW

“ I've only known Laura for a few years , but I always enjoyed my time with her at Grondin's as her hairdresser. Laura was always kind and generous, she had such a wonderful personality and made me laugh so many times. She will be missed very much. My love and prayers go out to all of her family. RIP Laura 🥺

Cathy Woodry - August 15, 2025 at 08:20 PM

CB

“ Uncle Melvin, Lori, Michael, and Jenny,

Sending my deepest sympathies to you and the extended Thompson families. I always loved Aunt Laura's witty sense of humor. I always thought she was a good wife, great mother, and special Aunt. RIP. 💔

Connie (Seiter) Berg - August 12, 2025 at 01:12 PM

SA

“ Laura and her husband would come have lunch at Mancino's of Clare, always pleasant, enjoyed visiting with her. RIP Laura.

Sheryl Ackermann - August 11, 2025 at 05:41 PM