



## LaVale M. Seiter

April 28, 1941 - March 30, 2021

LaVale Seiter left this earth and went into the arms of Jesus, living her Confirmation Verse, “Be thou faithful unto death and I will give you a Crown of Life” Rev. 2:10. Almost 60 years ago, August 26, 1961 she married her lifelong love Jim Seiter, and they had two sons Jeff and Steve.

Her lifelong dedication was to the LWML (Lutheran Women’s Missionary League). She was an active volunteer for 57 years, holding office on the Local, Zone and MI District, the State of Michigan and an active member of Prince of Peace Lutheran Church in Clare.

Jim and LaVale loved to travel. Due to Jim’s volunteer work with the HBA (Home Builder’s Association) as a director on the Local, State and National levels, they were able to travel to all 50 States with Hawaii being their favorite. A lot of their travel was with family and friends.

LaVale enjoyed 30 years as a Resident Candle Maker. She created the Candle Chalet Gift Shop; she stocked and opened her business in 1975 for 25 years. LaVale’s other employment included Bookkeeping for Seiter Brothers Construction and Farwell Lumber Company, clerking for Michigan Bell and for Michigan Technological University where they lived as Jim completed his BS and MS degrees in Electrical Engineering.

LaVale was predeceased by her parents Walter and Neva (Demaray) Mielke and brother-in-law Dave Coker. LaVale is survived by her loving family, her husband Jim; sons Jeff (Vicki) and Steve (Benica) Seiter; two grandchildren Korum Klenke and Kyleah (Tyler) Orwig and one great grandson William

Klenke; as well as sisters Helen (Ray) Rawson and Theo Ann Coker. Visitation will be held on Friday, April 2, 2021 at the Clare Chapel of Stephenson-Wyman Funeral Home from 3 to 5 and 7 to 9 P.M. Services will be held at the Prince of Peace Lutheran Church on Saturday, April 3, 2021 at 11 A.M. with Pastor Dave Winningham officiating. Burial will follow in the Cherry Grove Cemetery in Clare. Memorial contributions are suggested to the Lutheran Women's Missionary League or to the Prince of Peace Lutheran Church. On-line condolences may be left at [www.stephenson-wyman.com](http://www.stephenson-wyman.com) for those unable to attend, and the service will be livecast for viewing on the funeral home's Facebook page.

# Cemetery Details

## Cherry Grove Cemetery

1000 Cedar St.  
Clare, MI 48617

# Previous Events

## Visitation

APR 2. 3:00 PM - 5:00 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/>

## Visitation

APR 2. 7:00 PM - 9:00 PM (ET)

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## Service

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APR 3. 11:00 AM (ET)

Prince of Peace Lutheran Church  
10333 S. Clare Avenue  
Clare, MI 48617

# Tribute Wall



“ *Blue Caribbean Bouquet was purchased for the family of LaVale M. Seiter.*



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April 05, 2021 at 09:19 AM



“ *LaVale was an example of a Christian woman and we were very fortunate to have know her and could call her a friend. As members of Prince of Peace Lutheran Church she was always there to help and make everyone feel welcome. God's blessings on her family and know she is with Jesus.*  
*George and Margaret PUNCHES*

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**MARGARET PUNCHES** - April 02, 2021 at 10:03 AM



“ *My Dear Aunt LaVale You were such a warm and caring special person. Always loved seeing you when I came home to visit. I remember the candles you made in your house they were beautiful and smelled so good. The Lord is taking good care of you now as Uncle Jim had here on earth. I will miss you dearly all my Love your niece Kim Gillam*

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**kim gillam** - April 01, 2021 at 07:57 PM

JG

“ Jason Hall and Alison Capp from Hantz Group purchased the Sweetest Sunrise Bouquet for the family of LaVale M. Seiter.



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Jason Hall and Alison Capp from Hantz Group - April 01, 2021 at 01:45 PM

TT

“ Tonia, Jodi, Susan, Lillian, Becky, Dennis, & Tina purchased the Rose Tribute for the family of LaVale M. Seiter.



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Tonia, Jodi, Susan, Lillian, Becky, Dennis, & Tina - April 01, 2021 at 11:57 AM



“ Divine Peace Bouquet was purchased for the family of LaVale M. Seiter.



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April 01, 2021 at 11:11 AM



“ Beautiful in Blue was purchased for the family of LaVale M. Seiter.



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April 01, 2021 at 10:13 AM



“ *Lovely One Spathiphyllum Plant was purchased for the family of LaVale M. Seiter.*



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April 01, 2021 at 01:51 AM



“ *Sending our deepest sympathy to Jim and family. LaVale and I were classmates, sharing many activities at Farwell until we graduated and Don remembers the quiet, sweet girl who rode the same school bus. She was always very kind, thoughtful and a lady. God's blessings To Jim and her family.*  
*Don and Janet (Bailey) Tiedeman*

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**Janet Tiedeman** - March 31, 2021 at 10:11 PM



“ *Aunt Lavale was a loving person and has a beautiful soul. Uncle Jim , Jeff and Steve I hope that it gives you some comfort knowing that she is with the Lotd. My thoughts and prayers are with you all.*

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**Tina Day** - March 31, 2021 at 06:43 PM

MD

“ Jim and LaVale visited us on their way through New Mexico a few years back. We had such a wonderful visit. Then, a few years later, we had a great time visiting with them at the reunion in Missouri. I remember my little girl wanted to try on LaVale's beautiful sun hat but wouldn't ask. LaVale put it on my daughter's head and the smiles from both LaVale and Jayde were so special. She made Jayde's day with that little act of kindness. What a blessing those times were and what special memories we have. God has blessed us all in giving us these years with LaVale. Now she has all of eternity in Heaven and I will see her again one day along with all those who have asked Jesus to be their Lord and Savior. With prayers for Jim and the family,  
MaryBeth Duffy

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**MaryBeth Duffy** - March 31, 2021 at 06:22 PM

JB

“ We were so blessed to have Jim and LaVale in our home on one of their trips through Missouri. They were also able to attend a couple of our family reunions here. I will miss my cousin. She has already been hugged by her mother and grandmother up there. What special moments.

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**Jeannie Bailey** - March 31, 2021 at 05:12 PM

SL

“ Prayers for comfort peace and continued FAITH as you navigate this difficult journey. We are thinking about you Jeff and Vicki.

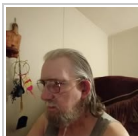
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**Sherry E Landon** - March 31, 2021 at 04:57 PM

VT

“ LaVale was the first person I met at Prince of Peace Lutheran Church. On that Sunday there was to be games and picnic. As I was new, my three sons and I were unprepared for the occasion. It was with gentleness and kindness LaVale invited us to stay and join in the activities. Jeff was sent home to get clothing for my eldest son to play ball in. Everything else LaVale and Jim took care of and saw that we were welcomed and comfortable. Whenever I think of her the words "gracious" and "gentle" come to mind. LaVale was an example of a grounded woman in her faith at peace with her life. I will miss her greatly.

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**Verna Templeman** - March 31, 2021 at 02:33 PM



“ Jim our condolences to you and your family so sorry for your loss

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**Gustave Glass** - March 31, 2021 at 12:01 PM

ER

“ Dear Jim and family, I remember Lavale from Prince of Peace when we were members there in the 1970's. We were in the women's group together and I remember going to retreat with her in Cadillac. She was a very sweet person. Our thoughts and prayers are with you. Chuck and Eileen Root (Belert), Brighton mi

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**Eileen Root** - March 31, 2021 at 08:51 AM

HS

“ LaVale was the kind of beautiful lady, inside and out, that makes you honored to have known! I am a better person just having had her in my life! I have so many memories of times together at Prince of Peace. The Lord has selected a true angel!  
Rodger and Hilda

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**Hilda Sharp** - March 31, 2021 at 07:00 AM

BH

“ *Jim and Seiter Family --We are so sorry to see this notice tonight - you have our sincere sympathy. Nyle, Betty Haggart and family*

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**Betty and Nyle Haggart** - March 30, 2021 at 09:39 PM

JB

“ *So sorry for your loss. I will remember Lavale from our school days and for her creativity. God bless. Judy Miller Bernardi.*

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**Judy Miller Bernardi** - March 30, 2021 at 06:44 PM