



Madeline E. Hamilton-Putnam

June 18, 1935 - November 5, 2014

After a long, graceful battle with cancer, Madeline Henry Hamilton Putnam passed away, surrounded by her family and friends, on November 5, 2014. She is survived by her longtime friends Charles Cotterman and Peggy Bateman, her sisters Mary and Elizabeth of Calumet, MI, and her children: Patricia (Brian) McHenry of South Carolina, Rebecca (James) Parks, Saudia Jill (Darrell) Petersen, Russell (Vicki) Hamilton, Gina Hamilton, Edward (Peg) Hamilton, Steven (Joye) Hamilton of Indianapolis, and Shannon (Rob) Mester of Greensburg, Kentucky. She is also survived by 18 grandchildren, 31 great grandchildren, and 2157 teddy bears.

She was preceded in death by her beloved husband Earl Hamilton, Jr., her second husband Clifford Putnam, and her son Michael Hamilton.

Madeline loved spending time with her family and friends, and was dedicated to children's education, spending more than 20 years working in head start programs. She loved to dance and make craft projects, and was often found at her sewing machine.

Visitation will be held at Stephenson-Wyman Funeral Home in Farwell on Friday from 2-4, and 6-8. The funeral will be held on Saturday at 11am.

In Lieu of flowers, donations can be made to the Surrey Township Library.

Previous Events

Visitation

NOV 7. 2:00 PM - 4:00 PM (ET)

Stephenson - Wyman Funeral Home (Farwell)
165 South Hall St.
P.O. Box 231
Farwell, MI 48622
(989) 588-9630
wymanh@chartermi.net
<https://www.stephenson-wyman.com/>

Visitation

NOV 7. 6:00 PM - 8:00 PM (ET)

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Service

NOV 8. 11:00 AM (ET)

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Tribute Wall

JA

“ *She was my daughters head start teacher in Coleman .One day we walked in and she told me how my daughter looked like a student she had years ago in Farwell.She said I think the little girls name was Erin so I said was her last name Beatty and she said yes it was my niece .I really impressed me that she remembered my niece who at that time had 2 kids it showed just how much she loved the kids.R.I.P you will be greatly missed.*

Joy Adkins - November 08, 2014 at 04:15 PM

SA

Thanks so much for writing - we know how much she loved working with kids, and she loved every one of them.

Saudia - December 01, 2014 at 01:11 PM

HS

“ *she was a great woman very sweet, she will be missed*

heather smith - November 08, 2014 at 03:03 PM

SG

Hi Heather - thanks for your thoughts during this time. We appreciate your taking the time to post.

Saudia, granddaughter - December 01, 2014 at 01:25 PM

NT

“ *HI BECKY,JILL,RUSTY,EDDIE, & STEVE... I'M SO SORRY FOR YOUR LOSS :(... WE LOVE YOU GUYS.... PRAYERS , <3 N HUGSSSSSS TO THE FAMILY ... GOD BLESS ... MAE :(*

NELLIE MAE HAWKINS THOMAS - November 08, 2014 at 09:05 AM

SG

Thanks for writing, Nellie Mae. We were definitely thinking about our West Virginia family during this time. We missed you, and are thinking about you. Appreciate your prayers for the family -

Saudia, granddaughter - December 01, 2014 at 01:13 PM

 Tonja Tigner

“ *Sorry for your loss. All the family are in my thoughts and prayers. R.I.P. Madeline*

Tonja Tigner - November 08, 2014 at 05:51 AM

SG

Thanks, Tonja. She was a beautiful lady.

Saudia, granddaughter - December 01, 2014 at 01:13 PM

SW

“ *to the hamilton family, sorry for the loss.. prayers and thoughts with all, mom was a wonderful woman,s, loved everyone she knew.. every time i seen her she alway was smiling, i know she loved all her child , rest in peace mom hamilton we will miss. you, and you will always be in our hearts.. love you all god bless*

shari wale - November 08, 2014 at 01:18 AM

SG

Thanks Shari - thank you for the kind thoughts and prayers for my family. We appreciate your thoughts and support.

Saudia, granddaughter - December 01, 2014 at 01:25 PM



“ *Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum* was purchased for the family of Madeline E. Hamilton-Putnam.



November 07, 2014 at 11:34 AM



“ *Medium Dish Garden* was purchased for the family of Madeline E. Hamilton-Putnam.



November 07, 2014 at 10:40 AM



“ *Regulatory Affairs friends and coworkers purchased the Garden Accent - "Gone yet not for gotten..." for the family of Madeline E. Hamilton-Putnam.*



Regulatory Affairs friends and coworkers - November 07, 2014 at 09:47 AM

MB

“ *Saudia and family,*

Although I never met Madeline, I know that she raised and loved my dear friend Saudia to be a smart, wonderful, kind, funny and tough woman. Thinking of all you this week...sending prayers, hugs and peace.

*Megan Brown
Saudia's Buddy at Consumers Energy*

Megan Brown - November 07, 2014 at 08:10 AM

SG

Megan - thank you so much. I appreciate all my work buddies sending thoughts and prayers for my family.

Saudia, granddaughter - December 01, 2014 at 01:16 PM

IS

“ *Indianapolis DSI Staff purchased the Florist Choice Bouquet for the family of Madeline E. Hamilton-Putnam.*



Indianapolis DSI Staff - November 07, 2014 at 07:38 AM

NO

“ *Hope Sammy liked his "Blankie", so sorry for your loss, glad I had the chance to meet her.*
Nola

Nola - November 07, 2014 at 07:11 AM

SG

Nola - that blankie means more to me than you'll ever know... thank you so much for helping finish it - it was the last project she made, and it's so special to me. Thanks again for helping make it happen. Many, many thanks -

Saudia, granddaughter - December 01, 2014 at 01:18 PM

S(

“ I have so many memories of her from playing cards with her and Skip to her wedding with her second husband. But here is a sweet memory of when the kids were little..I think Tony and Saudia was in like 8th grade. It was Devil's night and Skip,her,Pete and I were at our place and the kids was begging me and Madeline for them to go out and teepee. So Madeline and I took them to the store and bought them toilet paper and told them if they got caught they were on their own. Well needless to say about an hour later her comes Tony, Saudia and I think there was someone else with them walking down the street with the cops right behind them. So they get to the house and one of them says well Grandma and Sherry bought the toilet paper for us. Her and I were floored to say the least. Oh boy did Skip get pissed, he was like why the hell would you buy them kids the toilet paper for. We were like well it was better then them using eggs...We felt like really bad parents in front of the cops but boy did we get the laughs over the years on that one...Her and I felt like we were the ones that got caught by the cops instead of the kids..lol. She was soo much fun to be with and funny, she could make me laugh. She would pull up at my place and say Sherry tina and dewey are coming down the road and we would kick butt and she would do the dishes and I would hurry and run the vacuum and then be sitting at the table before they got to the door. We would look at each other and laugh and tina and dewey never could figure it out...that happen way more then once..(I rented from tina and dewey and if the house was messy then she would bitch) I loved her so much, I also remember when she was going to have her open heart surgery and she came to me early the morning she found out and she was soo scared she was shaking and crying and we prayed together and talked for a long time but before she left that morning she felt so much better..I have missed her so much in the past 20 years since I left there but we would talk ever now and then..I will miss you my dear friend and hold our memories in my heart..love you forever your friend always Sherry...

Sherry Allbee (Allen) - November 07, 2014 at 06:48 AM

SG

Sherry - it was Jimmy who was with us that night... i like to think he was the instigator, but... well. It was on my bucket list, what can i say?! =) She definitely had a place in her heart for you and your boys. She loved to hang out with you, and she did NOT like it when Tony and I dated. yikes! It wasn't Tony, it was anyone... so dont worry about that! Thanks for thinking about us, we appreciate the memory (kind of! =) Love you and God Bless-

Saudia, granddaughter - December 01, 2014 at 01:21 PM

HS

“ *Heather Shafer lit a candle in memory of Madeline E. Hamilton-Putnam*



heather shafer - November 07, 2014 at 06:29 AM

KH

“ *What a wonderful person I could tell the first time I met her she was a very special women that was very loved. Thank you for letting me share in your lives.*

Kim haynak

kim haynak - November 06, 2014 at 09:26 PM

SG

Kim - thank you for all you did to keep my family sane, and working during the last few months. We appreciate the work you did for us, and the work you continue to do every day. Thanks for letting me cry on you, and helping me find a way through. My family owes you a debt of gratitude.

Saudia, granddaughter - December 01, 2014 at 01:22 PM

TW

“ *she came to see me when i didnt think anyone cared meant the world to me that she went out of her way to brighten my day*

tim wilson - November 06, 2014 at 08:00 PM

SG

Hi Tim - thank you for the memory - she was that way, making sure people felt needed and cared for. I sure do miss her, and thanks for posting.

Saudia, granddaughter - December 01, 2014 at 01:23 PM

LN

“ *Love Amy and Nate purchased the Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum for the family of Madeline E. Hamilton-Putnam.*



Love Amy and Nate - November 06, 2014 at 03:12 PM