



Mary Joanne Wentworth

March 14, 1940 - December 8, 2020

Mary Joanne Wentworth— devoted wife, mother, and catholic, of Clare, passed away Tuesday, December 8th, at the age of 80. Mary was born in Bay City, MI, on March 14th, 1940, and grew up in Midland. She graduated from Midland High School in 1958. When she was 16, she got a job at Dow Chemical, where she worked for 12 years, as a secretary. Mary married Clarence Wentworth, dairy farmer of Clare, on October 12th, 1968. They had five children, Gregory Wentworth (Karey) of Clare, Stephen Wentworth (Jennifer) of Cedar Springs, MI, Anne Schmidt (Karl) of Northampton, PA, Kathleen Fellin (Seth) of Troy, MI, and Matthew Wentworth (Rebecca) of Fraser, MI.

Mary loved to travel, spending nearly a month in Europe in 1966. After marriage, she took her family across much of the United States, visiting many of America's national parks.

Mary loved to cook big dinners, hosting birthdays, holidays, and many other get-togethers, for her large extended family. She was a lifelong Catholic, as a member of St. Brigid's in Midland, and later St. Cecilia's in Clare. She had a strong belief in the power of prayer.

Mary is preceded in death by her parents, Theodore and Mary (Ludwig) Nowak, and sisters Therese Nowak and Carol Nowak. She is survived by her husband and children, as well as siblings Richard Nowak, Daniel Nowak (Linda) Bernadette Gromaski (David), Kathleen Davis (Steven), and David

Nowak, as well as her 15 grandchildren: Scott, Trisha, Veronica, Kaitlyn, Westley, Hunter, Nicholas, Anastasia, Gabriel, Lilian, Elijah, Haley, Alexis, Ronald, and Angelina.

A funeral mass will take place in Mary's honor on Tuesday, December 15, 2020 at the St. Cecilia Site of the Our Lady of Hope Parish in Clare at 10:30 A.M. with Monsignor Francis Koper officiating. Burial will follow in the St. Cecilia Catholic Cemetery of Clare. Visitation for Mary will take place at the Clare Chapel of the Stephenson-Wyman Funeral Home on Monday, December 14, from 5:00 P.M to 8:00 P.M., with a 7:00 P.M. Rosary Service. Memorial contributions in honor of Mary may be directed toward the Our Lady of Hope Parish—St. Cecilia Site. Current Covid-19 guidelines will be in effect for both visitation and funeral services. For those unable to attend, online condolences for Mary may be shared on her tribute page at www.stephenson-wyman.com

Cemetery Details

St. Cecilia Catholic Cemetery

411 Schoolcrest Ave.
Clare, MI 48617

Previous Events

Visitation

DEC 14. 5:00 PM - 8:00 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/>

Rosary Service

DEC 14. 7:00 PM (ET)

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Visitation

DEC 15. 9:30 AM - 10:30 AM (ET)

Our Lady of Hope Parish, St. Cecilia Site
106 E. Wheaton Street
Clare, MI 48617

Service

DEC 15. 10:30 AM (ET)

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Tribute Wall



“ *Mary will be very missed at our church and council. We will all be praying for your family. Clare Knights of Columbus*

Matt Benic - December 14, 2020 at 01:20 PM



“ *Emerald Garden Basket was purchased for the family of Mary Joanne Wentworth.*



December 13, 2020 at 04:50 PM



“ *You were such a blessing to me when I was a child and beyond. You helped make our Christmases so meaningful by your generosity. Though we remained distant in miles I held you close in my heart always.*

I will miss you, Mary, and how fast you could speak and read. You have been a blessing to many.

Though I can't say goodbye to you in person, I shall say....until we meet again in the great Heaven....see you later. I LOVE YOU, MARY, and my heart will never be the same.💔

Danny Joe - December 12, 2020 at 10:50 PM



*Sincere thoughts and prayers for all of your family The Good Lord will take care of her now
Sincerely Sharon and Jeff*

jeff michels - December 15, 2020 at 11:47 AM



“ *Enchanted Cottage was purchased for the family of Mary Joanne Wentworth.* ”



December 12, 2020 at 04:11 PM



“ *Medium Dish Garden was purchased for the family of Mary Joanne Wentworth.* ”



December 11, 2020 at 12:46 PM



“ *You were the best big sister a little sister could ever have. I will miss you so much!!* ”

Kathy Davis - December 10, 2020 at 08:43 PM



“ *Arrive in Style was purchased for the family of Mary Joanne Wentworth.* ”



December 10, 2020 at 06:54 PM



“ *Divine Peace Bouquet was purchased for the family of Mary Joanne Wentworth.*



December 10, 2020 at 05:49 PM



“ *Guiding Light Bouquet was purchased for the family of Mary Joanne Wentworth.*



December 10, 2020 at 04:55 PM



“ *Country Basket Blooms was purchased for the family of Mary Joanne Wentworth.*



December 10, 2020 at 03:29 PM



“ *Beverley Mapes lit a candle in memory of Mary Joanne Wentworth*



Beverley Mapes - December 10, 2020 at 02:28 PM

BM

So many great memories shared with the Wentworth, Colmus, and Mapes families.

Beverley Mapes - December 10, 2020 at 02:32 PM



“ *Full Of Love Bouquet was purchased for the family of Mary Joanne Wentworth.*



December 10, 2020 at 10:43 AM



“ *Beautiful in Blue was purchased for the family of Mary Joanne Wentworth.*



December 10, 2020 at 10:18 AM

TC

“ *So sorry to hear this. Prayers and condolences to the family. Many happy memories of time spent with Greg at the farm house with his mom. She will be missed.*

Tami Cowles - December 10, 2020 at 09:23 AM



“ *Full Of Love Bouquet was purchased for the family of Mary Joanne Wentworth.* ”



December 10, 2020 at 08:27 AM



“ *Full Of Love Bouquet was purchased for the family of Mary Joanne Wentworth.* ”



December 10, 2020 at 07:05 AM



“ *Arrive in Style was purchased for the family of Mary Joanne Wentworth.* ”



December 10, 2020 at 06:30 AM



“ *Your families are in my heart during this difficult time.* ”

Bruce Hales - December 09, 2020 at 08:37 PM



“ *Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum was purchased for the family of Mary Joanne Wentworth.*



December 09, 2020 at 06:52 PM



“ *To Uncle Clarence and family: love and prayers to all of you in honor of your love for Mary. So sorry for your loss.*

Vicky and Loren DeVinney

Victoria DeVinney - December 09, 2020 at 06:38 PM