



Trudy Ann Ferden

May 3, 1938 - February 23, 2020

Trudy A. Ferden, age 81 of Clare, peacefully passed away February 23, 2020, at the Woodland Hospice House in Mt. Pleasant, MI, due to complications from cancer. Trudy, the eldest of four siblings, was born May 3, 1938, in Mayville, Michigan, to Paul and Mildred Noble. In 1950, her family moved to Guilford, Maine, where she was involved in the Rainbow Girls organization and graduated from Piscataquis County High School. She attended the University of New Hampshire for a year before deciding to move back to Michigan, where she obtained a degree in accounting from Saginaw Business School. She met several lifelong friends at business school, as well as her future husband Lyle, to whom she married in 1959 until his death in 1984, twenty-five years later. Trudy served as the president of the Junior Chamber of Commerce for the state of Michigan. She enjoyed working for a radio station and an accounting office before the arrival of her son, Lance, in 1969. She lived in St. Charles, Michigan, from 1971 to 1989, making many friends and directing a YMCA sponsored preschool. She relocated to Clare, Michigan, in 1989, where she was a volunteer at the Clare hospital for over 25 years, serving one year as president of the volunteer organization. In addition to the volunteer work, she ran many estate sales, bought and sold antiques, had numerous well-known garage sales, belonged to several clubs, and thoroughly enjoyed being a grandmother. Family and friends were essential to her. She loved meeting people and continuously made efforts to keep in touch and maintain relationships.

Trudy is survived by her son Lance (Lisa) Ferden of Mt. Pleasant, MI; brother Jerry (Patty) Noble of Lamoine, ME, sister Julie (Adam) Jonas of Encinitas, CA; sister-in-law Carol (Steve) Terry of Williamston MI; grandchildren Elizabeth Ferden, Kyle Ferden, Katelyn Kelly, Spencer Kelly; a host of nieces, nephews, and other beloved friends and relatives who will sadly miss her. She was preceded in death by her parents Paul and Mildred Noble, her husband Lyle Ferden, and sister Valerie Noble.

Funeral services in honor of Trudy will take place on Monday, March 2, 2020 at the Clare Chapel of the Stephenson-Wyman Funeral Home at 11:30 A.M. with Pastor John Kasper officiating. Friends may visit with the Ferden family on Monday from 10:00 A.M. until the time of service at 11:30 A.M. Burial will take place at the Wildwood Cemetery of Chesaning Township on Tuesday, March 3, 2020 at 11:00 A.M. Memorial contributions in honor of Trudy may be made to the Clare County Senior Services "Meals on Wheels" program or to the Farwell Senior Center. For those unable to attend services, online condolences may be shared at www.stephenson-wyman.com

Cemetery Details

Wildwood Cemetery

Chesaning, MI

Previous Events

Visitation

MAR 2. 10:00 AM - 11:30 AM (ET)

Stephenson - Wyman Funeral Home (Clare)

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Graveside Services

MAR 3. 11:00 AM (ET)

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Tribute Wall

CF

“ Although I didn't know Trudy, the name Ferden caught my attention in the Bangor Daily News this morning. The name Ferden is a name that I have seldom seen on the East Coast. I live in Penobscot, Maine on the coast and wondered the connection to Maine. I have traveled through Guilford, Maine on many occasions. My family of Ferden's currently is made up of my 2 sons Scott and Peter, grandson Daniel and granddaughter Emma and my self Charlie. My thoughts and prayers are with you as you celebrate the life of Trudy.

Charles E. Ferden

Charles Ferden - March 10, 2020 at 08:26 AM

LK

“ Working with Trudy on the PTA and then working at Petrach grocery store. We spent a few days together in Detroit for a PTA conference and had a great time.

Linda Conway Kube - March 04, 2020 at 10:40 AM

WA

“ with love from Mom, Mike, and Abby purchased the Crystal Cross Bouquet for the family of Trudy Ann Ferden.



with love from Mom, Mike, and Abby - March 01, 2020 at 07:48 PM



“ *Peaceful White Lilies Basket was purchased for the family of Trudy Ann Ferden.*



February 27, 2020 at 08:57 PM



“ *Sentiments of Serenity Spray was purchased for the family of Trudy Ann Ferden.*



February 27, 2020 at 04:52 PM



“ *Small Garden Dish was purchased for the family of Trudy Ann Ferden.*



February 27, 2020 at 11:29 AM



“ *Very sorry to hear of Trudy's passing. She was a great friend and neighbor to us on Woodlawn in STC. She will be missed and remembered fondly.*

Colleen and Jerry Moore and family

Colleen Moore - February 25, 2020 at 06:24 PM

CW

*Lance and Family,
So sorry to hear of your mother's passing. She was a unique fun loving neighbor and have fond memories of her when I was growing up. May you find peace in knowing she has found her eternal home.
Christine (Berent) Weess*

Christine Weess - February 25, 2020 at 09:29 PM



“ Full Of Love Bouquet was purchased for the family of Trudy Ann Ferden.



February 25, 2020 at 10:20 AM

RS

“ Rebecca Shear lit a candle in memory of Trudy Ann Ferden



Rebecca Shear - February 25, 2020 at 10:13 AM

LC

“ I will always remember Trudy with great fondness. She was always so sweet and pleasant. I didn't know her outside of her grandma role, but it sounds like she was quite an inspiring person, and I find that easy to believe. I know she put up a good fight, and I'm so glad she was able to be independent for so long. May she now rest in peace in a job well done.

Lee Ann Claussen - February 25, 2020 at 09:37 AM

SW

“ Volunteering was a 'big' part of Trudy's life. We shared many thoughts, laughs together. Trudy enjoyed greeting visitors in the hospital gift shop...always with a quick smile as she welcomed them. I will miss our shared time and talks with my friend, Trudy.

Sandy Wolfe


Sandy Wolfe - February 25, 2020 at 07:01 AM

DR

“ Trudy loved doing her yard sales. I have memories of driving around Clare posting signs wherever we could. It was always a fun day working with her for those sales. Sure missing you.

droe - February 24, 2020 at 07:40 PM

TF

Trudy was always special to us. We have so many fond memories of a lifetime of her, we will always treasure. She was one of a kind 

The Barancik Family - February 26, 2020 at 06:15 PM

BF



Barancik Family - February 26, 2020 at 06:17 PM