



Mrs. Arlene M. Ackerman

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Arlene Mildred (White) Ackerman heard Jesus call her name on October 1, 2013. Leaving behind her life of chronic pain, she stepped quietly into her heavenly home. Arlene was born on July 18, 1924, to Fanny (Boozer) and Samuel Edward White. As a teenager, Arlene trusted Christ as her Savior and lived a life committed to him. In 1946, at Curve Crest Roller Rink, Arlene met and fell in love with Julius Ackerman of Muskegon. After their marriage in 1947, they settled in Fruitport and raised their family. Arlene worked for Fruitport Public Schools for seventeen years, first as secretary to the high school principal and later in adult education. Arlene loved God, loved her family, and loved people. She was selfless in service, kind to all, and an encourager to everyone she met. Like the woman in Proverbs 31, she was always doing something with her hands. Whether she was knitting or sewing, cooking or cleaning, typing or playing the piano, she was making the world a more beautiful place.

Arlene is survived by Julius, her loving husband of 66 years; their children, Julie (Jay) Link and Jim (Denise) Ackerman; two grandchildren, Craig (Lindsay) Ackerman and Peter (Emilia) Ackerman; three great granddaughters, and one brother, Jack (Marian) White. She was preceded in death by her parents, sisters Ruth and Lillian, and her brother Bill. Although Arlene had only two children, she was “mom” to many, including Carl-Heinz Fischer of Germany, who lived in their home as an exchange student in 1969–70 and who has visited many times since with his wife Jutta and daughters Christine and Julia.

Visitation will be on Friday, October 4, from 5:30–8 p.m. at Bethel Baptist Church, 213 Oak Street, Fruitport, MI 49415. A memorial service will be held the following day, Saturday, October 5, at 2:00, also at Bethel Baptist Church, with Pastor Paul Lamberson officiating. Anyone wishing to make a memorial contribution is encouraged to consider Bethel Baptist Church or Harbor Hospice, Poppen Residence.




Events


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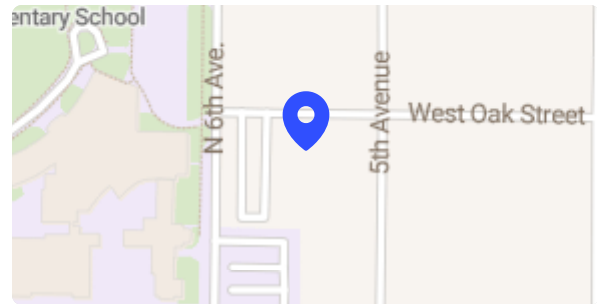
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Visitation

 **Friday**, October 4, 2013

 5:30 PM - 8:00 PM ET


 **Bethel Baptist Church**
213 Oak Street, Fruitport MI 49415

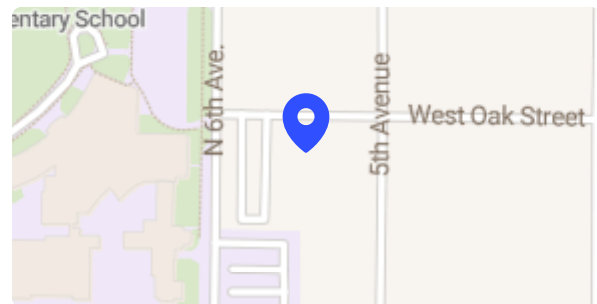


Memorial Service

 **Saturday**, October 5, 2013

 2:00 PM ET

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Tribute Wall

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Harbor Hospice posted:

We send our sincere sympathy to your family. We are here to support you in your time of loss – today and for as long as you need us. – The Staff of Harbor Hospice.

October 7 at 10:13 AM



Anonymous sent a Celestial Love to the Ackerman family.



October 4 at 12:07 PM



Anonymous sent a Medium Dish Garden to the Ackerman family.



October 4 at 12:02 PM



Ginger Wolffis posted:

Dear Julie, We read Our Daily Bread each morning. Today, October 4th your message blessed us. It is called. "Immeasurably More" May the love you share with your family bring you a measure of peace and comfort. We look forward to reading your articles each month. Your mother was so proud of you!!! Dear Jules, Our hearts are touched by your grief. You & Arlene have been a "special" couple and are dear to us. Even tho Arlene was nearly always in pain, she took care to look her best. She was a lovely lady. Lean hard on Jesus, "He healeth the broken in heart and bindeth up their wounds." Psalm 147:3 May God Bless and Comfort You & your family in the days to come. Lovingly, Ginger & Roger Wolffis

October 4 at 8:37 AM



Anonymous sent a Sentiments of Serenity Spray to the Ackerman family.



October 3 at 10:39 AM



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Dian Gardner Corbett posted:

Mr Ackerman,Julie, Jim and families,So sorry to hear of your loss. Thankful that she is in her Savior's arms, though. I'll never forget her sweet smile and enthusiasm for life she possessed. Praying for you all as you walk through this most difficult time. May God grant comfort and be close to you all. Dian Gardner Corbett

October 3 at 3:45 AM



Julie Ackerman Link shared an album called **Arlene Ackerman**.



October 3 at 3:21 AM

GR **Gloria Rudd** October 4 at 2:41 PM

So sorry to hear this Julie.. My mom and dad especially enjoyed them during their time with us at Calvary.. Please give our love to your dear father..they were both very loved..no more pain for you dear momma. I am so sorry we will not be able to attend the funeral, I just found out about it tonight and visitation is ending in a few moments..

DF **Donna Fagerstrom** October 4 at 4:04 AM

Dearest Mr. Ackerman, our priceless friends Julie & Jay, Jim and Denise and your family, please accept our deepest sympathy in the passing of your precious Wife/Mom. She was always a joy to be with. There's something incredibly special about "Mom." She's the heart beat of the home. May you sense His presence, peace and comfort in a profound way not only today and through the service but in the weeks and months ahead. Please know how much we care.With the Deepest of Sympathy, Love, Care & Prayer,Doug and Donna Fagerstrom



Media

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Julie Ackerman Link shared a photo and a video to the **Arlene Ackerman** album.

October 3 at 3:21 AM



Graduation from Fruitport High School, 1942



Mom and Craig (her first grandson) had the same birthday. This is our last celebration together.



Memories only last if you share them

Join us in honoring Arlene by contributing to a collection of shared memories.



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