



Mrs. Ruth A. Harkness

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Mrs. Ruth A. Harkness, forever young at heart, went to be with her Lord on Monday, July 7, 2014. She was born in Muskegon on May 22 to Ray and Marie (LeFebvre) Chambers and was a life resident of the area. Ruth loved her family and cherished spending time with them. She enjoyed camping, yard sales, casinos, the beach, and was an avid Michigan State fan. She had worked for several years at Lorin Industries and most recently at Scent-Lok. On June 21, 1986, Ruth married David Harkness and he survives her along with her daughter, Kristin M. (Paul) Abair; her grandson, Devin P. Rakowski; one brother, Robert (Pat) Chambers; four sisters, Lorraine LeMieux, Lorna Rozyski, Nancy (Harvey) Paquin and Gini Couch and special niece and caregiver, Amy LeMieux. She was preceded in death by her parents. A MEMORIAL SERVICE will be 1:00 PM Thursday, July 10, 2014 at The Walburn Chapel, 1547 W. Sherman Blvd., 231-759-8565 with Pastor Larry Terlouw officiating. VISITATION will be from 6-8 PM Wednesday. In lieu of flowers, please consider The Johnson Family Cancer Center, Mercy VNS and Hospice or Heartland Hospice of Grand Rapids.



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Memorial Visitation

 **Wednesday**, July 9, 2014

 6:00 PM - 8:00 PM ET

 **Sytsema Funeral & Cremation Services - The Walburn Chapel**

1547 W. Sherman Blvd., Muskegon MI 49441



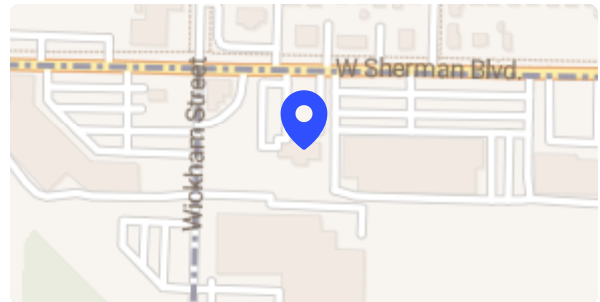
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MV

Marie Vledder posted:

The memories in life that were made & shared w/Ruthie as a wife, mother, grandmother, sister & friend will ALWAYS be held deep within your hearts & your LOVE for her will last forever!!! At times those memories may bring tears, but I guarantee that they will also bring you smiles & happiness! Offered w/Memories, Blessings & SympathyMarie Vledder

July 10 at 7:06 PM

BL

Barb Lowry posted:

I am so very sorry for the loss of this beautiful wife, mother, and grandmother. She was so very loved by her family and will truly be missed. You are all in my thoughts and prayers... Barb Lowry

July 9 at 5:39 PM

VS

Vicki Stratton posted:

Nancy and Hub,I am so sorry for your loss..you are in my thoughts and prayers!Love you,Vicki Stratton

July 9 at 4:05 PM



Esther Kirk posted:

Dave,I am so sad to hear of Ruth's passing. I am thinking of you and your family with love and sympathy. Esther Kirk

July 9 at 8:39 AM

MF

Mary Fethke posted:

My prayers are with you as you go through this difficult time. I was a classmate of Ruthie's at St. Jeans and Catholic Central class of 1961. Many memories. May God be with you. Mary(Bourdo) Fethke

July 9 at 7:30 AM



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GF

Greene Family posted:

Dear Harkness Family and Friends, I am so sorry to hear about the loss of your dear loved one. Please accept my sincere condolences. May it comfort you to know that The Most High God has resurrected humans on Earth before through His son Jesus, and He promises He will do so again very soon. (Psalms 83:18, Acts 24:15, Revelation 21:3,4)

July 9 at 6:43 AM

GN

Gail Needham posted:

Dear Dave - I am so sorry for your loss. Ruth was the perfect yin to your yang - you two made such a great team! What fun you had together. Those memories will help sustain you, and be comforted with the love of your family. I have such fond memories of Fricano's (spelling?), visiting you guys at your campsites, listening to the blues, and just shooting the breeze on your deck. My thoughts and prayers are with you. Gail Needham - St Augustine, FL

July 8 at 7:02 PM

JC

Joe Cote posted:

I was Ruthie's friend through St. Jean's and Catholic Central. I will pray for her family that they get through this difficult time. I have many fond memories of Ruth, particularly of our time together at St. Jean's. Those were the days.

July 8 at 3:56 PM

DD

Dianne Dobb posted:

Dear Dave and family, I am so sorry to hear about Ruth. My heart and prayers go out to you and yours. Hugs and good thoughts from Houston.

July 8 at 11:15 AM

PS

Pamela Schindlbeck posted:

My deepest and sincere sympathy to Kristin, David and all of Ruth's family. She was a special lady and made a difference in my life. I will always remember her.

July 8 at 11:05 AM



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MK

Mary David-Kraus posted:

May our blessed Lord keep you all in His tender love and care and bring you peace and comfort at this time of your sorrow and grief at the passing of your loved one. My prayers are with you. Mary [Fouts] David-Kraus

July 8 at 9:55 AM

AL

Alicia Lafrance posted:

My prayers & sympathies to the whole family! Mrs. Harkness must have been very special, because her daughter Kristin certainly is. May all of our love help you through this difficult time you all are facing.

July 8 at 9:43 AM

LM

Laurie Macdowell posted:

My deepest condolences to Ruth's family, especially to Kristin. I'm praying for strength, comfort, and peace for all of you. May God bless you all.

July 8 at 9:19 AM

MS

Maryann(Reeths) Scofield lit a candle in honor of Ruth.

Sending my sympathy and prayers to Ruthie's Family. God Bless you all.

July 8 at 7:26 AM





Memories only last if you share them

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



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