



# Christine Mary Stewart

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**C**hristine Mary “Chris” Stewart, age 67, passed away Sunday morning, March 24, 2019 surrounded by her loving family – especially her grandkids. She was born May 16, 1951 in Petoskey, MI to Leo and Anna (Jarema) Makarewicz and lived in the Muskegon area most of her life. She received her Bachelor of Nursing degree from St. Mary’s Hospital in Grand Rapids and had worked 44 years as a Registered Nurse for Muskegon General Hospital and retired in 2016 from Hackley Hospital. On August 7, 1971, she married Jon P. Stewart in Elmira, MI and he survives her. Chris was an active member of St. Mary of the Immaculate Conception Catholic Church and her first love was Our Lord and attending daily Mass. She was also a long-time member of the Catholic Daughters of the Americas Court #799 and the Sacred Heart Bible Study. Chris supported Muskegon County Right to Life and the Baby Pantry of Catholic Charities West Michigan. Chris and Jon together accomplished many triathlons and cycling events, including riding across the United States. Chris ran the Chicago Marathon, and with Jon, she ran many half-marathons, 5k and 10k races. Chris was a life member of the Muskegon Bowmen, the Michigan Long Bow Association, and the Michigan Bow Hunters. Survivors include her husband, Jon Stewart; her son, Chad (Christine) Stewart; her beloved grandkids, Jonathan, Jeb, Joanna, Jeremiah, Jacob, and Josias; her mother, Anna Makarewicz; 2 sisters, Elaine Hart, Cindy (Carey) Charboneau; 1 brother, Sam (Marge) Makarewicz; and many nieces and nephews. She was preceded in death by her father, Leo Makarewicz. Mass of Christian Burial will be celebrated 12:10 PM Thursday, March 28, 2019 at St. Mary of the Immaculate Conception Catholic Church (239 W. Clay Avenue) with the Rev. Fr. Matthew J. Barnum presiding. Interment will follow at St. Mary’s Cemetery. Visitation will be held 5-8 PM Wednesday at The Lee Chapel, 6291 S. Harvey St., (231) 798-1100 where the Rosary will be prayed at 7:30 PM Wednesday evening. Memorial Contributions may be directed to Muskegon County Right to Life or to Catholic



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Charities West Michigan for the Baby Pantry. Sign the guestbook online at  
[www.sytsemafh.com](http://www.sytsemafh.com)



# Events

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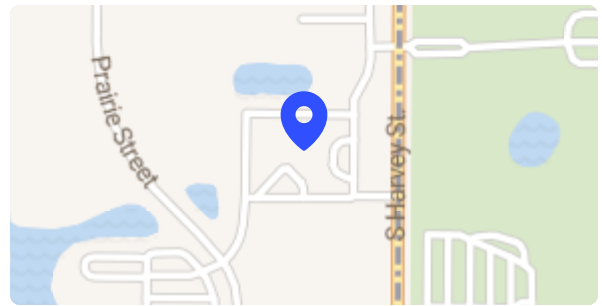
## Visitation

 **Wednesday**, March 27, 2019

 5:00 PM - 8:00 PM ET


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

6291 Harvey St., Norton Shores MI 49444



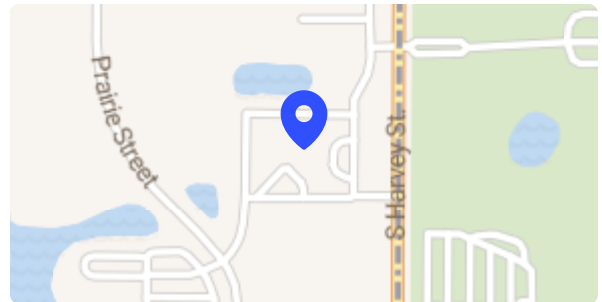
## Rosary Service

 **Wednesday**, March 27, 2019

 7:30 PM ET


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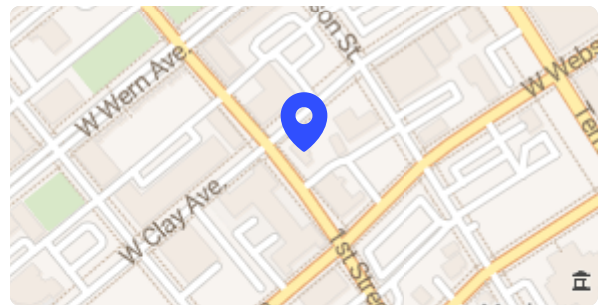
## Mass of Christian Burial

 **Thursday**, March 28, 2019

 12:10 PM ET

 **St. Mary of the Immaculate Conception Catholic Church**

239 West Clay, Muskegon MI 49440





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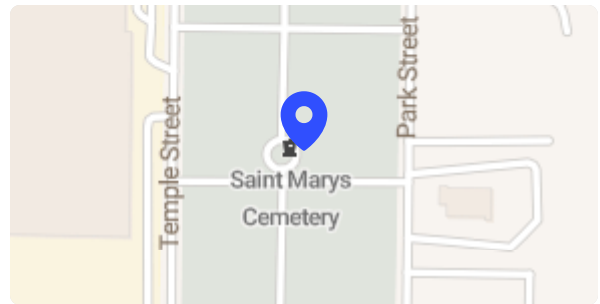
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### Cemetery Details



**St. Mary's Cemetery**

1915 Park St., Muskegon MI 49441





## Tribute Wall

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KF

**Kathy K Fuller** posted:

Jon, and the entire Stewart family, we are grateful to have met Chris. She was the most kind and loving person. We have many photos of our adventures together in the New Mexico desert. We send our condolences to everyone. Jon, we hope to see you next winter in the warm NM desert and you always have a place to stay with us. We sent a donation to the Muskegon County Right to Life in Chris' name. We will miss her. Eric and Kathy

April 3 at 6:30 PM

RB

**Ray Baker** posted:

Jon and family, I am so sorry to hear of Chris's passing. You have my deepest sympathy and condolences. May her love of life help you be comforted through this difficult time.

March 28 at 6:17 PM

DH

**Den & Fran Harris** posted:

Our condolences to Jon, Chad and the Stewart family. Chris was a true caregiver, a kind spirited lady with much love in her heart for everyone. Her Faith guided her life and is an example that we honor and respect. May our Lord be with Jon, Chad and the Stewart family as they celebrate Chris's life and the many memories.

March 28 at 6:10 AM

MO

**Molly** lit a candle in honor of Christine.



March 28 at 4:47 AM

MO

**Molly** March 28 at 4:48 AM

Chris was a wonderful nurse. I can remember many times at MGH, after I had surgery, Chris would be the first face I would see. It was always comforting to know she would be by my side after surgery. Such a blessing to all that knew her. Prayers for her family.



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**Anonymous** sent a Florist Choice Bouquet to the Stewart family.



March 27 at 2:55 PM



**Delores Harris** posted:

My prayers and sympathy to the family of Chris and my thoughts are with you God Bless

March 27 at 11:32 AM



**Dave Germaine** posted:

So sorry that you were called so early Chris but you seemed to have a zest for life, love and adventure enough for a dozen. Prayers and strength to all. God Bless. Your cousin, Dave Germaine

March 26 at 7:02 PM



**Leona Dycus** posted:

Will always remember when we went to visit as kids she would hurry and make us cookies. We would play hide and seek in her house. I will remember her bringing her mother Ann to the Marion Conference. A great daughter. She is in heaven with her godmother Mildred DeButts. Love you Chris, Leona Dycus .

March 26 at 1:33 PM



**Dan Lemire** posted:

Jon, Chad and the whole Stewart family. I am so sorry for your loss. Chris was a wonderful person. My condolences to all of you. I wont be able to attend the services as I am recuperating from surgery. My thoughts and prayers are with all of you.God bless.Dan LeMire.

March 26 at 11:10 AM

**SG Sharon Dilts Goodwin** March 27 at 5:38 AM  
Sorry..should read...Stewart Family

**SG Sharon Dilts Goodwin** March 27 at 5:36 AM  
Jon,Chad and all Stewardship t Family. Very sorry for your loss, my deepest sympathy to all!!  
God Bless!! Love Sharon Dilts Goodwin



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**Colleen Kujawa** posted:

Jon, Chad and families. So sorry for your loss and know that you are in our thoughts and prayers. Chris was an amazing and beautiful person and she will be missed. She will live on through every person she touched, her family and friends. Her life was a great and strong testimony for her Savior Jesus Christ. Sending you my prayers, hugs and blessing of peace as you go through this time. Much love, Colleen (Makarewicz) & Andy Kujawa ~ Gaylord Michigan

March 26 at 8:04 AM



**Shelby Klinger And Family** sent a Full Of Love Bouquet to the Stewart family.



March 26 at 5:54 AM



**With Love, Her Fellow Nurses At The Birth Center** sent a Pink Tribute Spray to the Stewart family.



March 26 at 5:48 AM



**Jan Kolkema** posted:

I worked with Chris at Muskegon General and through the years of consolidation with Mercy Muskegon, and then the consolidation with Hackley Hospital. Never has there been a more kind, caring empathetic, and compassionate nurse. She brought honor to our profession. My heart is so heavy for all who knew her and loved her. My prayers for your broken hearts are with you.

March 25 at 5:52 PM



**Karen Panozzo** March 27 at 2:40 AM

I worked with Chris many years ago at Muskegon General, fond memories of a great nurse. Deepest sympathy to her family.



**Joyce Black** March 25 at 6:41 PM

With great sadness I say "goodbye, til we meet again"! Such a darling caring nurse, friend....! So thankful for Chris! Prayers for her dear family and friends!



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**Randy Davis** posted:

To the entire Stewart Family: Blessings of Peace and Comfort are asked of our Loving God to be shared upon your family. May his newest Angel Chris keep watch over you, with guidance, inspirations, and hope, in all times, good and bad. Peace To You... From Randy Davis, Greensburg, Pennsylvania

March 25 at 4:47 PM



**Chad Stewart** posted:

I love you Mom, thank you for never giving up on your prodigal son. Most importantly thank you for passing on our Faith. We will always sing the Salve Regina together.

March 25 at 2:45 PM



## **Memories only last if you share them**

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



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