



Barbara Jean Rathbun

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Mrs. Barbara Jean Rathbun passed away Sunday, October 6, 2019 in Muskegon, four days after her 87th birthday. She was born on October 2, 1932 to Dutch immigrants, Bouke and Jennifer (Nordhoek) Buwalda and they resided in North Muskegon. Barbara graduated from North Muskegon High School, class of 1950, and on May 18, 1951, she married Donald William "Bill" Rathbun in Muskegon. Barbara was employed by GTE prior to her retirement in 1991. She is survived by her husband of 68 years, Bill Rathbun; four children, Patricia McGee, Bill (Julie) Rathbun, Steve Rathbun, and Lisa Rathbun; eight grandchildren and three great-grandchildren. Barbara was preceded in death by her parents and 5 siblings, including her twin brother. A MEMORIAL SERVICE will be held 2:00 PM Saturday, October 12, 2019 at The Lee Chapel of Sytsema Funeral & Cremation Services, 6291 Harvey St., Norton Shores, MI 49444 with Jennifer Arnold officiating. VISITATION with her family will be held immediately following her service. In lieu of flowers, please consider donations to the Harbor Hospice Foundation.



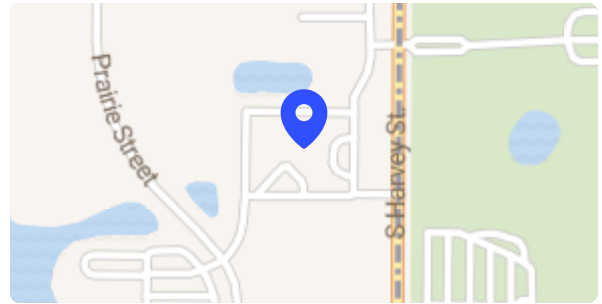
Memorial Service

 **Saturday**, October 12, 2019

 2:00 PM ET

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

6291 Harvey St., Norton Shores MI 49444





Tribute Wall

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KC

Kelli Christmas posted:

I had the pure blessing of seeing barb every two weeks, becoming her friend doing her nails. She loved life loved her family so much. You will be missed my dear Barb.Kelli christmas.

October 8 at 8:25 AM

JB

Jeff And Joyce Balog posted:

We had the privilege of servicing Bill and Barb's car at our car repair facility. Each time when Barb would come in to pick up her car, she would bring us the most amazing homemade cookies. She became known as the "cookie lady"; but in reality, she was much more than that. She became mom to us; and we will miss her deeply. Jeff and Joyce Balog.

October 8 at 8:21 AM

AN

Amanda Nealin posted:

All of my love and prayers and thoughts and sympathies are with you all, love always Amanda

October 8 at 8:18 AM



Memories only last if you share them

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



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