



# Elizabeth J. "Betsy" Hoover-Mitchell

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## **Elizabeth J. "Betsy" Hoover-Mitchell**

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**E**lizabeth J. "Betsy" Hoover-Mitchell, age 52, passed Wednesday, January 8, 2020, after courageously battling cancer for over three years. She was born on April 20, 1967 in Muskegon, MI to Richard and Katherine (Davenport) Hoover. She graduated from Western Michigan University where she earned a Master's Degree in Political Science and Economics but found she really enjoyed teaching children. Betsy dedicated her whole life to teaching, in Michigan as well as Florida. She most recently taught at Muskegon Heights Public School Academy. On August 30, 2008, she married Kenneth Mitchell and together they cherished 11 years of endless memories. She was known to be an adventurous spirit and was up for just about anything. She had an itch to travel and enjoyed spending time in the UP and all-around Europe, especially Italy. Betsy loved spending time at the beach admiring the beautiful sunsets across Lake Michigan. Above all things, she loved spending time with her friends and family. She will always be remembered for every travel destination or concert being the "best thing she ever saw". She was a vivacious and cheerful-spirited woman who will be missed by all that knew her. She is survived by her husband, Kenneth "Ken" Mitchell; daughter, Amanda (Jason) Cooper; 2 grandchildren, Cameren Cooper and Katelynn Cooper; father, Richard Hoover; Step-mother, Cheri Hoover; 2 brothers, Charles (Rae) Hoover and James (Beverly) Hoover; sister, Carla (Jamie) Givens; 2 nieces, Chelsea Hoover and Angelina Givens; 2 nephews, Matthew Hoover and Trevor Givens; and her favorite dog, Hodge Podge. The family would also like to share a special thanks to all of Betsy's friends who supported her throughout her journey with cancer...and in particular her Aunt Jane who was always available as a sounding board. She was preceded in death by her mother, Katherine Hoover; and niece Ally Givens. A Celebration of Life will be held from 12-3:00PM on Saturday, January 18, 2020 at the White Lake Eagles Aerie # 3214, 1204 S. Lake St., Whitehall, MI 49461. Arrangements by The Walburn Chapel of



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Sytsema Funeral & Cremation Services, 1547 W. Sherman Blvd, Muskegon, MI 49441.  
In lieu of flowers, memorial contributions in Elizabeth's name may be directed to the American Cancer Society or Pound Buddies, <https://poundbuddies.org/donate>.  
You may visit the family's online guest book at [www.sytsemafh.com](http://www.sytsemafh.com).



## Events


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### Celebration of Life

 **Saturday**, January 18, 2020

 12:00 PM - 3:00 PM ET

 **White Lake Eagles Aerie # 3214**  
1204 S. Lake St, Whitehall MI 49461





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WE

**Wendy** posted:

Dick, Cheri and family, We are deeply saddened by the loss of Betsy. We feel fortunate to have met her last year and feel her warmth and optimism toward life. Sending our deepest sympathies as you go about the days ahead. Thinking of you. Wendy and Matt Marino

January 15 at 9:47 AM

PM

**Patricia Mercer** lit a candle in honor of Elizabeth.



January 14 at 12:22 PM

PM

**Patricia Mercer** January 14 at 12:24 PM

Betsy, you made the world a better place, RIP my friend!!

KP

**Kenneth Pugh** posted:

Dick, Cheri & the Hoover Family...We're so sorry for your loss of Betsy. You have our sincere sympathies. We'll see you Saturday.Ken & Pam Pugh

January 14 at 10:33 AM



**Teresa Moore** lit a candle in honor of Elizabeth.

Betsy will be missed, so glad she made it to the Christmas cookie party! Kenny and family may God give you strength to get through this most difficult time. Rest in peace my friend!Teresa & Eddie Moore



January 13 at 4:35 AM

SR

**Sharon P Rindfusz** posted:

No matter the circumstances or how she was feeling, she was always smiling, calm, and optimistic. I had gained so much admiration and respect for her over the years and always loved running into her. She was always in my prayers and I now I turn those prayers into peace and strength for her family and friends. The world lost a beautiful soul and I am so very sorry for your loss.

January 12 at 12:22 PM



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SS

**Sheri Sander** posted:

Every time I saw Betsy she always had a smile. Her smile, her laugh and her easy going personality will certainly be missed. RIP Betsy. You are loved.

January 12 at 4:26 AM

SB

**Starr Britton** posted:

I worked with Betsy and she was the most caring and loving person to all kids she worked with. I loved going to lunch with her as she always made me laugh. Still can't believe your gone, you will be missed by so many! ❤️

January 11 at 3:10 PM

JC

**Julie & Mike Cribbs.** posted:

4/20 birthday sisters. Rest in peace, ♥

January 11 at 2:42 PM

SB

**Sandra Bliss** posted:

Betsy was the sweetest person I had ever met. The most genuine and caring. I was truly blessed to have had her in my life. God bless your entire family. She will be truly missed. She touched everyone she met.

January 11 at 12:47 PM



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

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



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