



Mrs. Monica T. VanZanten

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Mrs. Monica T. VanZanten, 92, passed away peacefully July 8, 2021, at her home. She was born August 2, 1928, to Phillip and Florence (DeMarse) Lathrop in Muskegon and lived most of her life in this area. She had worked at St. Mary's Catholic Church in Spring Lake before retiring and is currently a member of St. Patrick's Catholic Church in Grand Haven. Monica had an infectious smile and tried finding good in everyone. She enjoyed cooking, crocheting, gardening, and traveling, but her family was most important to her. She felt blessed to have a strong faith, family, and friends. On October 5, 1945, she married Russell Ortquist, and he preceded her in death on December 12, 1973. She later married Morris W. VanZanten on November 27, 1981, and he preceded her in death on February 11, 2016. Survivors include 5 children: Donna (Dave) Mulder, Donald (Dinah) Ortquist, Ann Marie "Tina" (Gordon "Chuck") VanderSchaaf, Mary (Kurt) Nienhouse, Judith (Bruce) Johnson; daughter-in-law: Carol Ortquist; 5 step-children: Janet (Dan) Gomez, Morris W. VanZanten II, Mark VanZanten, Daniel (Barbara) VanZanten, Dean "Andy" (Kathy) VanZanten; 20 grandchildren, many great-grandchildren. She was also preceded in death by a son, James Ortquist, and a sister, Marcella Seaberg. The funeral for Mrs. VanZanten will be Thursday, July 15, at 1:00 PM at The Lee Chapel of Sytsema Funeral and Cremation Services, 6291 S. Harvey St., Norton Shores, MI 49444. Visitation will be one hour prior to the service. Burial will take place at Norton Cemetery. Contributions in memory of Mrs. VanZanten may be made to St. Jude Children's Research Hospital or Disabled Veterans.



Events

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Visitation

Thursday, July 15, 2021

12:00 PM - 1:00 PM ET

Sytsema Funeral & Cremation Services - The Lee Chapel

6291 Harvey St., Norton Shores MI 49444



Funeral

Thursday, July 15, 2021

1:00 PM ET

Sytsema Funeral & Cremation Services - The Lee Chapel

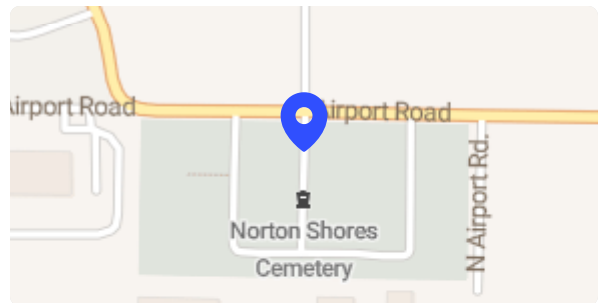
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Cemetery Details

Norton Cemetery

743-761 Airport Rd., Norton Shores MI 49441





Tribute Wall

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Claire Pinsonneault posted:

Monica was my neighbor for a few years. She was always concerned about those who lived around her. If my car had not moved a few days, she would call her daughter to check on me. One day I had a minor problem with my TV. Monica walked over barefooted to see if she could help. She was a caring, loving person and raised a very caring loving family. Blessings to all as they each grieve the loss of their Mother. Claire Pinsonneault

July 14 at 6:43 PM



Anonymous sent a Country Basket Blooms to the VanZanten family.



July 13 at 7:18 AM



Debra Vanzanten posted:

Aunt Monica was loved by everyone she knew my husband Dirk VanZanten adored her as did I feel blessed to have known her

July 10 at 5:05 PM



Memories only last if you share them

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



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