



# Lois M. McCaleb

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## **Lois M. McCaleb**

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**L**ois M. McCaleb, age 98, of Grand Haven passed away Monday, January 3, 2022, at St. Ann's Home in Grand Rapids, MI. She was born October 29, 1923, in Muskegon Heights, MI to John and Vernina (Raymond) Gill, and married Rev. Woodrow Wilson McCaleb on June 24, 1948, in Muskegon at Calvary Baptist Church. He preceded her in death on January 15, 1988.

Lois graduated from Moody Bible Institute and worked as a pastor's wife alongside her husband at churches beginning at Englishville Baptist Church in Sparta, MI; First Baptist Church in Fremont, MI; First Baptist Church in Elyria, OH; Calvary Baptist Church in Quincy, IL; and First Baptist Church in North Tonawada, NY. She was an active member at Lakeshore Baptist Church in Grand Haven and very involved with the pre-school and nursery program for many years. Lois was musically talented and loved to sing. Her other interests were sewing, crocheting, knitting, and at age 98 she could still win over her family at Dominoes.

She is lovingly remembered by two daughters, Susan (David) Dean and Carol (Tom) Postma; two sons, Doug (Colette) McCaleb and Phillip McCaleb; two grandchildren, Matthew Dean and Jon McCaleb; three great-grandchildren: Arianna, Tristan, and Luke Dean. She was preceded in death by four sisters: Mildred Barton, Erma Gill, Velda Rabe and Hazel Rabe; and two brothers, Harold and John Gill.

The funeral for Lois will be held at 11:00 a.m. Saturday, January 8, 2022, at Lakeshore Baptist Church with Pastor Wayne Muri officiating. Friends may meet the family at the church one hour prior to the funeral. Memorials to the Woodrow McCaleb Leadership Scholarship at Grand Rapids Theological Seminary, 1001 East Beltline Ave. N.E., Grand Rapids, MI 49525 are appreciated. Interment will be in Lake Forest Cemetery. Arrangements entrusted to The VanZantwick Chapel of Sytsema Funeral & Cremation Services, 620 Washington Ave., Grand Haven, MI 49417. Share memories with the family at their online guest book at [www.sytsemafh.com](http://www.sytsemafh.com).



# Events

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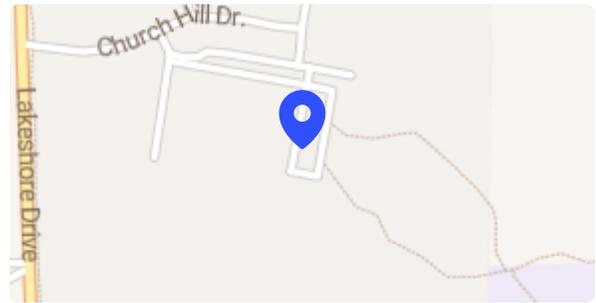
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## Visitation

 **Saturday**, January 8, 2022

 10:00 AM - 11:00 AM ET

 **Lakeshore Baptist Church - Grand Haven**  
13664 Lakeshore Drive, Grand Haven MI 49417

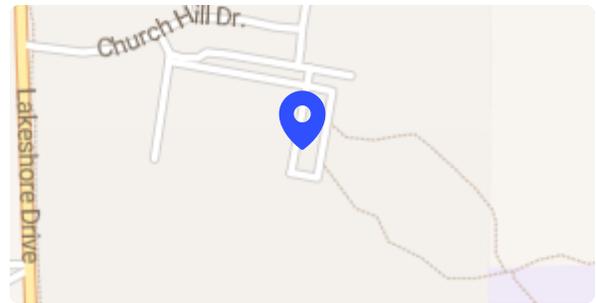


## Funeral

 **Saturday**, January 8, 2022

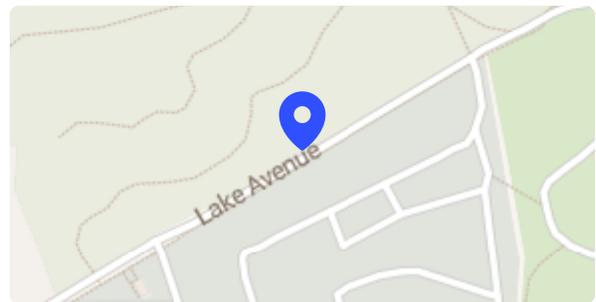
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## Cemetery Details

 **Lake Forest Cemetery**  
1304 Lake Ave., Grand Haven MI 49417





## Tribute Wall

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**David Schmidt Jr** lit a candle in honor of Lois.



To the family of Mrs. Lois McCaleb:I remember with great appreciation and wonderful memories both Pastor & Mrs. McCaleb when they had been at First Baptist Church of North Tonawanda, NY. They were both greatly loved by the Schmidt family. We were privileged to have them come to North Tonawanda in the mid 1980's for several years. Their ministry together in the church was appreciated by the church family. (sadly, First Baptist Church closed their doors and was reopened by another church after 110+ years of ministry) I remember Mrs. McCaleb serving in the nursery during that time and also singing solos during the church services.I was privileged to begin my music ministry under the ministry of Pastor McCaleb during his time as our Pastor. I was 20 years old and Pastor was a great mentor, giving me the opportunity to be involved in the church's music ministry. I also had the privilege of being their optician when they live in North Tonawanda during those years. Those were great years with wonderful memories. Memories I, and I know many others, will cherish for a lifetime. Although I hadn't heard from her in several years we had kept in touch even after they had moved from North Tonawanda. The McCalebs' left a legacy in every church they were privileged to serve in.I know there is rejoicing in heaven in seeing her Savior, and her many friends and loved one who had been awaiting her in heaven. I remember many UNO card games with Pastor & Lois in the parsonage after church on Sunday evenings. Great times. "well done, good and faithful servant". Cherish every good thought & memory as a family. My thoughts and prayers are with each of your during this time.We look forward to seeing Pastor & Lois again in heaven someday.With great appreciation, good memories, & much sympathy,David Schmidt Jr. (for the Schmidt Family)Tonawanda, New York

January 6 at 7:17 AM



**Anonymous** sent a Your Light Shines to the McCaleb family.



January 5 at 4:45 PM

DG

**Doreen Gingrch** posted:

What a beautiful, Godly woman inside and out! I spent a lot of time at the McCalebs in Junior High and High School as Sue and I were very good friends. She made me feel like one of the family. I always enjoyed her solos in church. Her songs were very meaningful and her sweet alto voice very clear and soothing. My love and fond remembrances to Sue, Carol, Doug and Phillip and the rest of the family. Doreen Davies Gingrich Bryson City NC

January 5 at 11:59 AM



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

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



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