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Mona Lou Sutherland-Scouten, 86, of Twin Lake, MI passed away unexpectedly at home on November 18, 2022. Mona was born in Hesperia, MI on July 26, 1936. She married Robert Sutherland at the age of 16 and was married to him for 48 years. They had five children together and enjoyed camping and snowmobiling. After his death, God brought Gary Scouten and his eight adult children into her life. They married and enjoyed 17 years of marriage together. They loved walks on the beach, watching sunsets together, and trips to Mackinac Island.

Mona was an amazing woman who loved her family unconditionally and her Savior unwaveringly. She enjoyed spending time sharing stories and laughing with her family and friends; her contagious smile lit up every room. She loved people and prayed daily and passionately for her family, friends, church, and nation.

Mona was hard-working, feisty, and determined. Although she received her GED as a teenager, she returned to high school as an adult and graduated with her diploma from Reeths-Puffer High School in 1980. She was a school bus driver, waitress, and also worked in the retail industry. She eventually retired from Howmet after nearly 20 years of service in 1999.

Mona was very talented and creative. She began painting later in life and became an accomplished artist whose paintings were displayed and sold in several art galleries. She knitted, crocheted, and made quilts with intricate needlework in beautiful patterns. Mona also loved music and learned to play the piano, which was one of her favorite pastimes. She also displayed her creativity and appreciation for God's creation through her beautiful and extensive gardening. Both of these hobbies brought her peace in the midst of a chaotic world.

Mona was preceded in death by her parents, Helen and George Chester, her first husband, Robert Sutherland and her second husband, Gary Scouten, her son, Timothy Sutherland, sons-in-law Richard (Dick) Follett and Randy Robinson, brothers Louis (Sonny) Chester, Arthur (Jeannie) Chester, Robert (Muriel) Chester, Albert (Barbara) Chester, David "Gene" Chester (Maudie) and sisters Marie (Leonard) Eyestone, Ruth Brooks, Marjorie (David "Butch") Watkins. She leaves



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behind her son, Daniel Sutherland, daughters LuAnn (Brian) Goodall and Debra Robinson, and son, Benjamin (Mary) Sutherland, six step-sons and two step-daughters, and many grandchildren and great-grandchildren.

A Funeral Service will be celebrated at 11:00 am on Wednesday, November 23rd at River of Life Fellowship, 4860 Holton Road, Twin Lake, MI with Rev. Don Benedict officiating. Visitation will be held on Tuesday, November 22nd from 6:00-8:00pm at The Lee Chapel of Sytsema Funeral & Cremation Services, 6291 S. Harvey St, Norton Shores, MI 49444. There will also be a visitation with the family one hour prior to the service on Wednesday. Memorial Contributions in Mona's honor can be directed to the River of Life Fellowship Church. Share memories with the family at www.sytsemafh.com.



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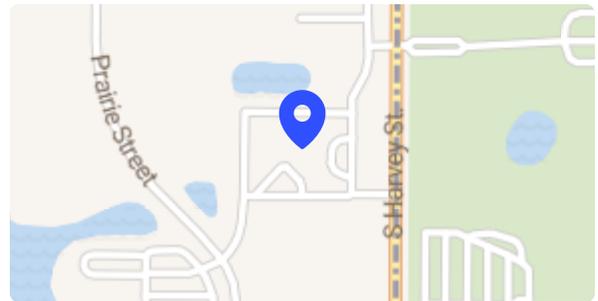
Visitation

 **Tuesday**, November 22, 2022

 6:00 PM - 8:00 PM ET

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

6291 Harvey St., Norton Shores MI 49444



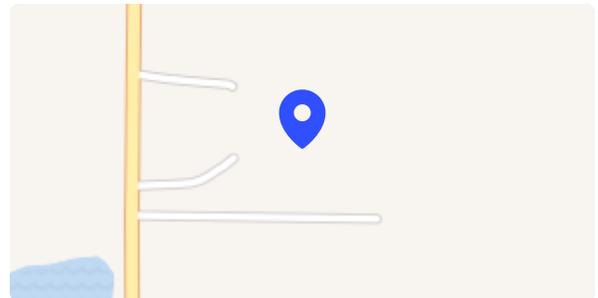
Visitation

 **Wednesday**, November 23, 2022

 10:00 AM - 11:00 AM ET

 **River of Life Fellowship Church**

4860 Holton Rd., Twin Lake MI 49457



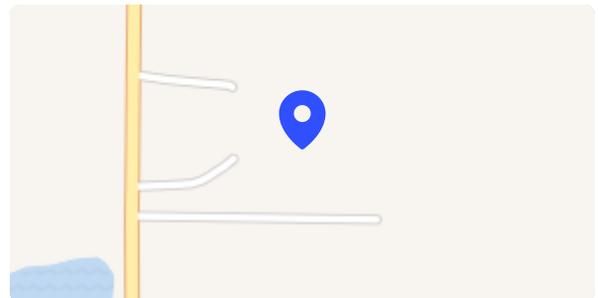
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GW

Ginger Wolffis lit a candle in honor of Mona.

Dear Dan, LuAnn, Debbie and Ben, My heart gasped in disbelief as I read your mother's obituary. I could write a book of memories of times shared with your mom and dad, Bob. Roger worked with Bob at E.H. Sheldon during the late 60's and early 70's I remember when Pastor Robert Savage led your parents to the Lord. We shared in their grief when your brother Tim died in a car crash. We shared in their joy when "Benji" was adopted! Our times were precious! May God Bless and Comfort you! Lovingly, Ginger



November 29 at 4:59 PM

MZ

Michele Dekjerz (Zerlaut) posted:

To the Sutherland children, I am sorry to hear of your Mother's passing. She was a very loving person and loved her family dearly. Will always remember the times we spent together. Send my sympathy and prayers for your strength and faith knowing she lived a full life and is with her savior!

November 23 at 7:00 PM

BW

Betty Workman posted:

I am so sorry to hear of your mom's passing she was an amazing woman. She went through so much in life but always continued on. She now is in such a better and safe place. There are so many open arms that welcomed into heaven. May God Comfort all of you Betty (Zerlaut) Workman

November 22 at 7:51 AM

MG

Michelle Goodrich posted:

Gene & Maudie, I'm so sorry to read of the passing of your sister, Mona. Please accept my deepest condolences. I'm sure my folks would have shared theirs as well. Michelle Goodrich (Leon & Kate Cook's daughter)

November 22 at 6:52 AM



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SM

Sally Mcauley posted:

I remember spending the night with Debbie & we were playing in Aunt Monas room & I had this dark red lipstick & Mona's bedspread was pure white & a chunk of the lipstick fell on the bedspread, we tried to clean it up but it just smeared & made it worse, Debbie kept going into the bathroom with a wash cloth & got some soap, so we're trying to clean it up, & her mom notices that Debbie kept going back & forth from the bathroom to the bedroom several times so she comes in the bedroom to see what was going on, I don't remember what happened after that, I must have blocked it out, lol

November 22 at 3:50 AM

KP

Kathy Pesch posted:

LuAnn & Danny your Mom came to visit my mother, Marilyn last summer. I happened to be at my moms during the visit. The two of them so enjoyed that time together. I was so impressed with your Mom & how active she was, she told me about her gardening projects! Then she came to my moms funeral service on November 8th and she talked with my siblings. I told her how amazing she looked and she said how nice that was to hear for someone her age! She warmed my heart. Praying for you and your family during this difficult time. In Christ's Love Kathy (Chester) Pesch

November 21 at 5:22 PM

BB

Beverly Bailey November 22 at 7:30 AM

I just saw Mona at Marilyn Chester's memorial . We went to school at Twin Lake Elementary. She was such a special person. Sending hugs and prayers to you. Beverly Bailey (Prater)

BS

Burt Scouten sent an Enchanted Cottage to the Sutherland-Scouten family.



November 21 at 6:37 AM



Memories only last if you share them

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



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