



## Mrs. LaVern T. "Hoopie" Hoopingarner

November 15, 1929 - October 10, 2020

LaVern T. "Hoopie" Hoopingarner, age 90, of Port Huron, passed away on October 10, 2020, at Regency on the Lake, with her family by her side. She was born on November 15, 1929, in Tell City, Indiana to the late Albert and Alberta Gramelspacher.

LaVern was a long-time employee of St. Clair County Community Mental Health. She was a member of the Red Hat Society, St. Johns United Church of Christ and was active in the community. LaVern also modeled for Suzanne's and Sperry's. She was an avid traveler and enjoyed traveling with the Port Huron High School Big Red Marching Machine as a chaperone. She is survived by her son and daughter-in-law, Michael (Barbara) White, daughter, LaDon White, daughter, Sharma (Thomas) Lee, 6 grandchildren, Tonya (Tammy) Black who was raised as one of her own, Tommy Black, Todd Black, Justin White, Jarrit (Devon) White and Joshua (Cassie Helene) White, 9 great-grandchildren, sister, Patricia Dalrymple, sister and brother-in-law, Doris (Phillip) Mell along with several nieces and nephews.

Funeral Services will be 3:00pm Wednesday, October 14, 2020, in the Jowett Funeral Home, 1634 Lapeer Avenue, Port Huron. Reverend Max Amstutz will officiate.

Visiting hours will take place from 1:00pm until the time of service at 3:00pm. Memorial tributes may be made to the Red Cross or the Blue Water Area Humane Society.

Jowett Funeral Home is privileged to assist the family with arrangements. To

view the obituary and share memories, please visit [www.jowettfuneraldirectors.com](http://www.jowettfuneraldirectors.com)

# Previous Events

## Visitation

OCT **14**. 1:00 PM - 3:00 PM (ET)

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# Tribute Wall

JB

“ Just learned of Hoopie's death via SCC retirement flyer. Hoopie and I worked together at PHCC. My memories of her smile, positive and humorous outlook always created wonderful staff morale. She was entirely trustworthy and provided great suggestions to make our therapy services more professional via her grand empathy. Her year-round Christmas celebration enchanted us all. Little did she know that her person was THE gift that we wanted and needed. I wish I could have more direct family contact, if possible, about this dear, dear friend and human being. Now the Lord surely has her by the hand in addition to her picture on his desk. Jared Baker, 222 Burke's Garden Rd., Tazewell, Va. 24651 276-701-6100. God bless you all.

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**Jared Baker** - December 10, 2020 at 02:11 PM

SK

“ I am so lucky to have met Hoopie when she came to live at my mother's nursing home 2 years ago. She lit up the place with her smile, humorous stories and those stylish Hoopie hats - she always had a hat on as well as a smile. My hugs to her family, especially LaDon who I've known for years. Take comfort in knowing there are many of us who share in your grief. Hoopie's memory will always live on❤️

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**Susan Knowlton** - October 20, 2020 at 05:36 AM

RL

“ Fond memories of Hoopie from days past at St. John's UCC. I remember her as always having a sparkle and a smile about her, and as a very involved grandma in her grandchildren's lives. We've lost some tremendous people this year. Prayers for her family as you work through grief and know that her love still surrounds you.

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**Robyn K Limberg** - October 18, 2020 at 12:00 PM

RL

“ LaDon & Mike:

*I am sad to hear of your mother's passing. I remember her from my high school years as always being friendly and welcoming. Please accept my sincere condolences on your loss. You both will be in my thoughts and prayers.*

*Rick Lloyd*

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**Rick Lloyd** - October 14, 2020 at 05:28 PM

SE

“ *My thoughts and prayers are with you in the loss of someone so special. I have so many wonderful memories of Hoopie and our early days at CMH. We had a special bond, especially among the clerical staff. We were not only co-workers but friends who enjoyed spending time together afterhours. One of my best memories is visiting her at the holidays and being totally captivated by the beautiful Christmas village she set up annually. It was inspiration for me to begin my own display, although I never was able to achieve the degree of artistry she did. Each year when I set up my village, I smile, think of the many wonderful times we shared and thank God for the privilege of having that spunky lady a part of my life.*

*Sharon Evenson*

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**Sharon Evenson** - October 14, 2020 at 01:20 PM

AV

“ My heart goes out to the whole family. I've known Hoopie since I was born. What a beautiful lady!! Many memories with her and Tonya! She's your angel now. She will always be with all of you. Bless you all.



Amy VanNest - October 14, 2020 at 12:01 PM

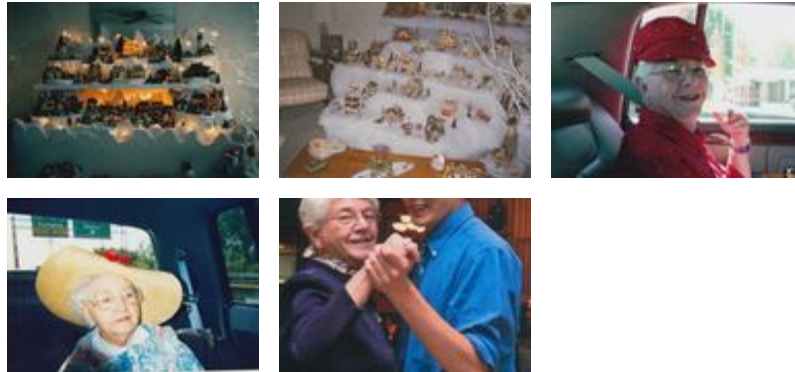
TB

Thank you for those wonderful words. I love you and hope you're doing well. Hoopie would have loved to have seen you, she was stunning!

tonya black - October 14, 2020 at 11:25 PM



“ 36 files added to the album Life Tributes



Jowett Funeral Home and Cremation Service - October 14, 2020 at 10:56 AM



“ Full Of Love Bouquet was purchased for the family of Mrs. LaVern T. "Hoopie" Hoopingarner.



October 13, 2020 at 07:18 AM

AC

“ *Sending our love and sympathies. Praying for her family.*

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**Ann Campbell** - October 12, 2020 at 05:53 PM

PR

“ *Patricia, Susan and Rick purchased the Pretty Please for the family of Mrs. LaVern T. "Hoopie" Hoopingarner.*



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**Patricia, Susan and Rick** - October 12, 2020 at 05:04 PM