



Mrs. Patricia Jean Williams

December 31, 1944 - November 16, 2013

Patricia Jean Williams was born in Port Huron, Michigan to Steven Charles and Virginia Jean (Burns) Grabbitt on December 31, 1944. She is survived by brother, Steven A. Grabbitt.

She grew up in Port Huron with her lifelong friend Marty Carrier. She was known as Patsy to her childhood friends. She was always adventurous and rambunctious.

Patricia married early to David V. Zarling Sr. and they shared four children: David V. (Elaine) Zarling Jr., John A. (Angel) Zarling, Jeffery S. (Stephanie) Zarling and Katheryne J. (Tod) (Zarling) Tuttle. She then married Gary E. Williams Sr. April 19, 1975, with this union, we became the Port Huron "Brady Bunch" adding three brothers to our family: Gary E. (Joannie) Williams Jr., Chuck Williams and Michael (Carrie) Williams. Patricia and Gary then shared the youngest child Steven E. (Michelle) Williams.

Patricia was a hard working women all her adult life. At some times she worked a couple of jobs while managing a house full of children. Some of her various jobs included waitressing, cleaning houses, managing departments in retail stores, bookkeeping and floral arrangements for a flower and gift shop and we can't forget the endless volunteer hours at all the schools her children attended.

Patricia would not only pour herself out for her children, but she also adopted many neighborhood children into her home. There was always room for one more even if it seemed it were not possible to fit another around the table.

She would stay up late making cookies, cleaning the house and singing Christmas carols to make the family holidays magical for her children. Patricia was very creative and this showed throughout all her hobbies throughout her life that included ceramic painting, crocheting blankets, sewing, scrapbooking, candy making, cake decorating and much more. Patricia was very close to her mother Virginia that was called to heaven in 1988.

As an older adult, Patricia had the courage to go back to school when she had never gone to any High School classes before. She graduated from Jefferson Adult Education with a lot of hard work. She never gave herself the credit she deserved for her sharp mind and creative spirit.

Patricia was an avid reader, lifelong fan of "Days of Our Lives", loved to camp, loved to cook for others, generally gained her identity from serving others. One of her favorite places to vacation was at the Taylor cabin up north where she would play endless games of Yahtzee, spend the day at the lake or go shopping.

She was quite the water bug and loved spending her time in the water- whether it be in a pool or at a lake; if the sun was shining that's where she loved to be.

She loved to laugh and was not afraid to look silly herself to make others smile.

I would say she loved her children and grandchildren "fiercely". She was very proud of each and every one of them: David V Zarling III, Shanon (Zarling) Anders, Matthew Zarling, Cody Tuttle, Danielle Tuttle, Kayla Zarling, Justin Zarling, Ryan Zarling, Gary E Williams III, Mattie Williams, Bradley Williams, Taylor Williams, Hope Zarling, Lilly Williams and Michael Williams...Great Grandchildren: Maleiah Banks, Mariah Banks and Christopher Gaddis.

Patricia grew up in a Christian home with a very strong Christian mother as an influence. There were many years of worship and service in the Wesleyan Church that was once located on the corner of Lapeer & 13th Street. In later years Patricia was confirmed at Faith Lutheran Church of Port Huron. Most

recently, as health allowed, she attended the Light of Christ Lutheran Church of Marysville. In discussions very recently, Patricia reiterated her faith in her Lord Jesus and was comforted in the knowledge of eternal life with a new, strong body without pain and a reunion with her Mom.

Visitation will be at First Baptist Church, 1234 6th Street, Marysville, MI 48040 on Wednesday, November 20, 2013 from 9:00 - 11:00 a.m. with a memorial service at 11:00 a.m. and a luncheon following.

Cremation arrangements by Jowett Funeral Home, 1634 Lapeer Ave. at 17th Street, Port Huron, MI.

Donations can be made in honor of Patricia Williams to: Light of Christ Lutheran Church, Marwood Rehab or the American Lung Association.

Previous Events

Visitation

NOV **20**. 9:00 AM - 11:00 AM (ET)

First Baptist Church
1234 6th Street
Marysville, MI

Memorial Service

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Tribute Wall

JO

“ Gary- so sorry for your loss. Pat was a very special lady and one of my favorite patients. My thoughts and prayers are with you and your family.

Judy from Dr. H.'s office - November 20, 2013 at 06:26 PM

CD

“ Charlene, Jamie & Devin lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Patricia Jean Williams



Charlene, Jamie & Devin - November 20, 2013 at 09:59 AM

KO

“ I couldn't have made it through my days at Marwood if it hadn't been for Pat and the "family" she created there for me and many others. Made my days there much more bearable and for that I am forever grateful. You will be very missed by many Pat. With love,
Karen O'Donnell

Karen O'Donnell - November 19, 2013 at 09:06 PM

VH

“ Pat was one of a kind, she made us laugh we cried together and had so much fun. Jim always called us Lucy and Ethel. When we bought our camper Pat went on our first trip to Florida with us. We drove poor Jim crazy. We had a ball. Pat and I had our disagreements but we always made up. A couple of weeks ago I went over and spent some time with her. I am so glad I did we talked and talked. Who know it was our last time together. I love you Pat and will miss you forever. Heaven will never be the same. You and Jim can laugh together now. Keep him company for me until we all meet again. God bless you.

Vicki Hand - November 19, 2013 at 01:49 PM

BS

“ Bonnie Schemansky lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Patricia Jean Williams



Bonnie Schemansky - November 19, 2013 at 12:14 PM



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Carrie Wood - November 19, 2013 at 05:33 AM



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“ Oh My Goodness, we are so sorry to hear about Pat's passing. She was so good to our Son Christian. May she rest in Peace, and may you all be comforted by the memories that live in your heart.
Dennis and Tina Smith

Tina Smith - November 19, 2013 at 04:08 AM