



## Amanda Jean MacDonald

January 13, 1936 - April 12, 2024

Amanda Jean MacDonald, a loving mother and grandmother with a passion for nature, died peacefully on Friday, April 12, 2024 at the age of 88. Amanda was born at home on January 13, 1936 during a snowstorm in Sunfield Township, the daughter of Noble Henry and Neva Irene (Bell) Sackett. She graduated from Grand Ledge High School before attending Michigan State University. Amanda grew up on a farm where she learned the importance of hard work. She loved raising her Jersey Cows. As a child, Amanda also spent many hours in the woods with her father and grandfather, which led to her love of the outdoors, a love she passed on to her children and grandchildren. Several generations of the family enjoyed countless camping trips across several decades, including to the Woods in the North. Amanda's children not only remember special trips but also always stopping along the roadside to look for "Lady's Slippers" flowers in the spring. Amanda was a 4-H leader, focusing especially on sewing, cooking and baking, and entomology. She developed a beautiful collection of pressed flowers and insects. She was a lifetime member of NCHA/FCRV, and a dedicated member of the Order of the Eastern Star. Above all, Amanda loved her family.

Amanda is survived by her children, JoDee Naan (Tony) Pruden, Kent Neil (Teresa) MacDonald, Kelly Nona (Stanley) Karamol; grandchildren, Paddy (Holley) MacDonald, Heather (Robert) Youngs, Gregory (Courtney) Pruden, Dallas (Kelly Jo) Hartman, Cassandra Hankins, Mark Hankins, Amy (Mike)

Restauri and Michael Karamol; several great-grandchildren; brothers, William (Christine) Sackett and Robert (Susan) Sackett; sisters-in-law, Kate and Susan MacDonald. She was predeceased by her husband, Bryce Lee MacDonald; daughter, Nika Lisle Hankins; sister, Vanya Ackerson; and her parents.

Friends are encouraged to support Amanda's family by attending services or sharing memories on her Tribute Page at [www.prayfuneral.com](http://www.prayfuneral.com). Visitation will be on Thursday, April 18, 2024 from 2-4:00 p.m. and 6-8:00 p.m., with an Eastern Star Service at 8:00 p.m. at Pray Funeral Home, Charlotte. Funeral services will be at 11:00 a.m. on Friday, April 19, 2024 at Vermontville Congregational Church with Pastor Izzy Young officiating. Interment will take place in Woodlawn Cemetery in Vermontville. The funeral will be webcast so you may watch it from any computer, smartphone, or mobile device that has internet access. Go to [www.prayfuneral.com](http://www.prayfuneral.com), click on Amanda's tribute, then click on Photos and Videos from your computer (or Media from your smartphone). If desired, the family suggests memorial contributions to the Vermontville Congregational Church, the FCRV Conservation Fund, or Woldumar Nature Center. The family is in the care of Pray Funeral Home, Charlotte.

# Cemetery Details

## Woodlawn Cemetery

10911 Vermontville Hwy  
Vermontville, MI 49096

# Previous Events

## Visitation

APR 18. 2:00 PM - 4:00 PM (ET)

Pray Funeral Home  
401 W Seminary St  
Charlotte, MI 48813

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APR 18. 6:00 PM - 8:00 PM (ET)

Pray Funeral Home  
401 W Seminary St  
Charlotte, MI 48813

## Funeral

APR 19. 11:00 AM - 12:00 PM (ET)

Vermontville Congregational Church  
110 South Main Street  
Vermontville, MI 49096

## Burial

APR 19 (ET)

Woodlawn Cemetery  
10911 Vermontville Hwy  
Vermontville, MI 49096

# Tribute Wall



“ *Pray Funeral Home, Inc created a Webcast in memory of Amanda Jean MacDonald*



Pray Funeral Home, Inc. - April 18, 2024 at 03:08 PM



“ *Rachel MacDonald lit a candle in memory of Amanda Jean MacDonald*



Rachel MacDonald - April 19, 2024 at 01:42 PM



*So sorry I couldn't be there. I did get to join on zoom tho very lovely service*

Rachel MacDonald - April 19, 2024 at 01:45 PM

EC

“ *Sending our condolences from the staff at ECHRS*

ECHRS - April 17, 2024 at 10:13 AM

JE

“ One of the most sweetest ladies I ever met. I loved caring for Amanda while she was at ECHRS. Her soul was just to precious for this world. ❤️🕊️

Jade Eberhart - April 16, 2024 at 06:33 PM

JM

“ Joseph & Jolanta MacDonald planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Amanda Jean MacDonald.

Joseph & Jolanta MacDonald - April 16, 2024 at 09:19 AM

JM

“ Joseph & Jolanta MacDonald purchased the Emerald Garden Basket for the family of Amanda Jean MacDonald.



Joseph & Jolanta MacDonald - April 16, 2024 at 09:19 AM

CB

“ Chuck Brandon lit a candle in memory of Amanda Jean MacDonald



Chuck Brandon - April 15, 2024 at 09:54 AM

AF

“ We're so sorry to hear this, Kent, Teresa and family. May she RIP ❤️

Angie and Don Foster - April 14, 2024 at 09:25 PM

AR

“ I'm so sorry for your loss Amanda was a jem we had so much fun in the shop. Now she is driving that big rv in the sky. Happy journey.  
Love amy

Amy Ruthruff - April 14, 2024 at 09:15 PM

SS

“ Amanda was a sweet friendly lady.  
Prayers for the family.



Shirley K Stanton - April 14, 2024 at 08:30 PM

LV

“ I am sorry to read of the passing of Amanda, it seems we have lost so many of our friends, neighbor and acquaintances but such is Life. Our sympathy to all the MacDonald family.

Louise Viele - April 14, 2024 at 08:22 PM

JT

“ Jim Turner purchased the Beautiful in Blue for the family of Amanda Jean MacDonald.



Jim Turner - April 14, 2024 at 03:50 PM

SM

“ *Sharon Westerhouse, Dayna Miller purchased the Peaceful White Lilies Basket for the family of Amanda Jean MacDonald.*



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**Sharon Westerhouse, Dayna Miller** - April 14, 2024 at 12:17 PM