



## Betty L. Whitmore

July 1, 1925 - April 25, 2018

Betty Lou Whitmore, 92, a kind and caring family matriarch of Charlotte, MI died peacefully on April 25, 2018. Betty was born July 1, 1925 in Parma Township to Orval and Bertha (Wise) Graham, one of 12 children. In 1948 she married Bernard Whitmore, and together they raised five children, with good old-fashioned homemade meals (a favorite was Betty's famous chicken dinners), mouth-watering desserts, and lots of love to go around. Betty was a lover of music, and she also enjoyed doing puzzles, playing cards including euchre and rummy, and needle work. She very much loved time spent outdoors, whether it was farming, gardening, fishing, or just a leisurely stroll to enjoy the beauty around her.

Betty previously worked at Wilcox Gay, Michigan Magnetics, the Piston Ring in Hastings, and Kellogg's. She was known as a sassy, stubborn lady, with a great sense of humor and loads of creativity. She was a volunteer grandparent for the foster grandparent program, just another way for her to share all the love she had to give.

Betty is survived by her loving family including, five children, Orval (Robin) Whitmore, Christine (Doug) Polhamus, Teresa (Dale) Horn, Loretta (Gordy) Shepard, and Kim (Barbara) Whitmore; 14 grandchildren, Robert, BJ, Christopher, Keith, Michael (Kara), Kevin, Corey (Emily), Marci (Rich), Brent (Holly), Eric, Clint (Christine), Chad, Christel, Jason (Jessica); 22 great-

grandchildren; and 3 great-great-grandchildren. She was preceded in death by her loving husband, Bernard in 1989; granddaughter, Jennifer; her parents; and 11 siblings.

Friends are encouraged to support Betty's family at visitation and funeral services. Funeral services are Monday, April 30, 2018, 2:00 PM at Pray Funeral Home in Charlotte with Chaplain Janine McGill officiating. Visitation is Sunday, April 29, 3-6:00 PM at Pray Funeral Home. If desired, Betty had suggested donations to the American Cancer Society. Friends and family are encouraged to share memories of Betty on her Tribute Page at [www.PrayFuneral.com](http://www.PrayFuneral.com). The family is in the care of Pray Funeral Home, Charlotte.

# Cemetery Details

## Hillside (Kalamo) Cemetery

1459 S. Ionia Rd  
Vermontville, MI 49096

# Previous Events

## Visitation

APR **29**. 3:00 PM - 6:00 PM (ET)

Pray Funeral Home  
401 W. Seminary St.  
Charlotte, MI 48813

## Funeral Ceremony

APR **30**. 2:00 PM (ET)

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# Tribute Wall



“ *Pray Funeral Home, Inc created a Tribute Video in memory of Betty L. Whitmore*



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**Pray Funeral Home, Inc.** - April 28, 2018 at 07:49 PM

VA

“ *Dear Family and Friends of Betty Whitmore:  
Thank you for the privilege and honor of being part of her life and care. She touched our lives in a very special way and brought a smile to our faces with each encounter we had with her.  
Betty will be missed and fondly remembered.  
Blessings to you,  
Vanessa Morrison- Grace Hospice Branch Director*

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**Vanessa** - May 03, 2018 at 11:09 AM

KR

“ *Remembering all of you today as you say goodbye to your mom.  
What great memories I have of growing up down the road from you.  
Karen Tyler Reid*

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**Karen Tyler Reid** - April 30, 2018 at 08:30 AM

AM

“ *May God bless you and your family in this time of sorrow. It was a pleasure to care for Betty.*

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**Amanda-Grace Office Manager** - April 30, 2018 at 08:17 AM

BT

“ Great Grandma will be missed every day. The love that her family has for her will never waver, but grow stronger. Even though she may not be with us physically, she will forever be in our hearts. The memories of her will be with us always. May you Rest In Peace, Great Grandma Whitmore. I love you, we all love you.

Briana Thompson - April 29, 2018 at 07:05 PM

MF

“ Matt and Sandra Southern & family purchased the Beautiful Dreams for the family of Betty L. Whitmore.



Matt and Sandra Southern & family - April 29, 2018 at 09:29 AM



“ 44 files added to the album Life Tributes



Pray Funeral Home, Inc. - April 28, 2018 at 06:45 PM



“ *Country Basket Blooms was purchased for the family of Betty L. Whitmore.*



April 28, 2018 at 12:14 PM



“ *Lovely One Spathiphyllum Plant was purchased for the family of Betty L. Whitmore.*



April 28, 2018 at 03:06 AM



“ *Blessed are they that mourn, for they shall be comforted. - Mathew 5:4 King James Version*

*Marci, the tears will flow and the heart will ache for a while, then the memories will bring laughter and tears of joy forever. You and your family are in my Prayers and I know you all are comforted by our Holy Spirit. Prayers and Blessings for you. Aunt Sharon.*



**Sharon Bruce** - April 28, 2018 at 02:12 AM



“ *Florist Choice Bouquet was purchased for the family of Betty L. Whitmore.*



April 27, 2018 at 07:30 PM

SP

“ sorry to hear of aunt betys [assing i did n ot find out about it until to day untill a friend called to tell me she will be sadly missed she was so fun to be around at the family reuions always had a smile and lots of laugh rest in peace aunt betty I will not be able to attend but i will be thinking of you all sandy arker

sandra parker - April 27, 2018 at 04:57 PM

RT

“ Marci and I are saddened by her grandmother Betty's passing, but we know she is in a better place. Marci always made it a point to call her often and talk about what was going on with the family. I met Betty back in 1994 when I first came to Michigan to meet Marci's family. She was pleasant to sit and talk with then, and over the years. Her laugh was joyful and vibrant. We will miss our visits with her, but the memories remain clear in our minds. May god be with her, and shine a guiding light over the family.



Rich Thompson - April 27, 2018 at 02:14 PM

LK

“ Betty was a great lady! I cared for her for awhile!! She loved her french toast and playing cards! We'd play rummy after her breakfast and she was shark!! Lol!! She will be missed.

Lois Kettner - April 27, 2018 at 11:00 AM