



Dixie Lou Battin

May 28, 1950 - August 25, 2024

Dixie Lou Battin, 74, of Charlotte, a fun-loving grandma extraordinaire, died peacefully surrounded by family on Sunday, August 25, 2024 in Lansing. Dixie was born May 28, 1950 in Lansing, the daughter of Ronald and Barbara (Cotton) Best. She graduated from Mason High School in 1968 before going to work for the City of Lansing, retiring as Chief Assistant City Clerk after 27 years. She then worked a few years at Pray Funeral Home before going back to municipal service as clerk at the City of Grand Ledge.

Many will remember Dixie for her deceptively innocent demeanor, concealing her fun-loving "devilish side." She was fun to be with, especially on the golf course. Dixie was proud to have made a hole-in-one at Iron Horse, a feat that was commemorated in the newspaper. By far the greatest joy of Dixie's life was her grandchildren. She adored them, and they simply worshiped her - forming what was lovingly called the "grandma cult."

Dixie is survived by her daughters, Laura Craven and Lisa Pangburn; 5 grandchildren: Allison, Taylor and Jeremy Pangburn, William and Jordyn Craven; mother, Barbara Best; siblings, Darrell (MaryAnn) Best, Joanne Lose, Teresa McClean, Jeff (Cindy) Best, and Tim Best; and several nieces, nephews and extended family. She was predeceased by her father, Ronald Best and her husband, Howard Battin.

Friends are encouraged to support Dixie's family by attending services or sharing memories on her Tribute Page at www.prayfuneral.com <<http://www.prayfuneral.com>>. Visitation is Thursday, August 29, 6-8:00 p.m. at Pray Funeral Home in Charlotte . Funeral services are Friday, August 30, 11:00 a.m. at Pray Funeral Home. 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 Dixie's tribute, then click on Photos and Videos from your computer (or Media from your smart phone). If desired, the family suggests memorial contributions to Head for the Cure. The family is in the care of Pray Funeral Home, Charlotte.

Cemetery Details

Maple Hill Cemetery

801 Tully Brown Rd.
Charlotte, MI 48813

Previous Events

Visitation

AUG **29**. 6:00 PM - 8:00 PM (ET)

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

Funeral

AUG **30**. 11:00 AM (ET)

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

Burial

AUG **30** (ET)

Maple Hill Cemetery
801 Tully Brown Rd.
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Tribute Wall



“ Pray Funeral Home, Inc created a Webcast in memory of Dixie Lou Battin



Pray Funeral Home, Inc. - August 30, 2024 at 12:42 PM

BH

A wonderful tribute to a wonderful Mom, Sister, Daughter, Grandma and Classmate. RIP, Dixie

Barbara Hays - August 31, 2024 at 12:12 AM



“ Pray Funeral Home, Inc created a Tribute Video in memory of Dixie Lou Battin



Pray Funeral Home, Inc. - August 29, 2024 at 07:03 PM

MS

“ I just passed the house today and saw the fire sale sign. I immediately checked the obits and discovered the sad news. My deepest condolences to the family. I loved talking with Dixie at the City of Grand Ledge and stopping by the house occasionally to chit chat. I will always remember her smile, laugh, and good sense of humor.

Mark Sleep - October 22, 2024 at 09:17 AM

CR

“ My condolences to the family. I worked with Dixie in the Treasure/Income Tax Dept. She was wonderful person and we had some great times in the office and away. My prayers and thoughts go out to her girls and family. 🙏🥲❤️

Consuelo (Connie) Reed - August 31, 2024 at 10:15 PM

BH

“ Barbara Hays lit a candle in memory of Dixie Lou Battin



Barbara Hays - August 31, 2024 at 12:07 AM

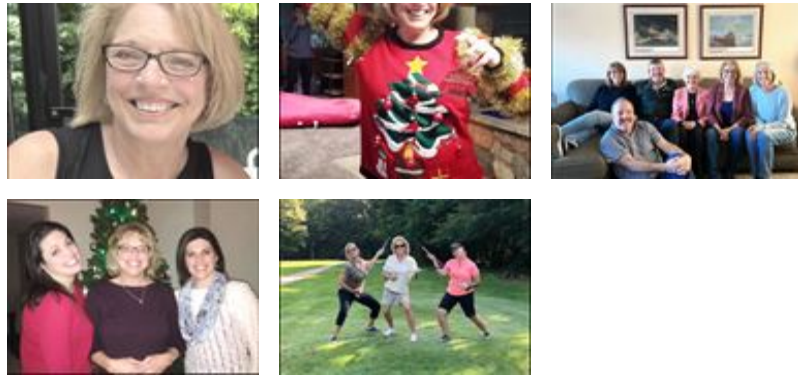
DD

“ Dixie was labeled as one of our class cut ups. How true and fortunate we were to have such a person in our midst. Her high spirit and sharp wit made her a joy to be around. That attitude actually made playing golf with her a tough challenge, since the smiles and laughter knew no end. Proud to have known her. Blessing to her family.
Doug Dilday

Doug Dilday - August 29, 2024 at 06:04 PM



“ 52 files added to the album *Life Tributes*



Pray Funeral Home, Inc. - August 29, 2024 at 02:58 PM



“ *Peaceful White Lilies Basket* was purchased for the family of *Dixie Lou Battin*.



August 29, 2024 at 12:02 PM



“ *Sandy Billingsley* lit a candle in memory of *Dixie Lou Battin*



Sandy Billingsley - August 29, 2024 at 10:41 AM



“ *Anna L.* planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of *Dixie Lou Battin*.

Anna L. - August 29, 2024 at 10:15 AM

DT

“ Laura and Lisa: so sad to see Dixies passing. I was your neighbor for years here on Westmont Ave. When your mom was a single parent trying to raise her active girls. She was the best of best people. Lots of memories to hold to girls. Thinking of you and your families. diana tait

diana tait - August 29, 2024 at 10:02 AM

MD

“ Michelle D. planted a grove of 3 [Memorial Trees](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Dixie Lou Battin.

Michelle D. - August 29, 2024 at 08:48 AM

TF

“ The Harold and Helen Cotton Family planted a grove of 3 [Memorial Trees](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Dixie Lou Battin.

The Harold and Helen Cotton Family - August 29, 2024 at 08:42 AM

DD

“ Dave and Debbie Duane purchased the Country Basket Blooms for the family of Dixie Lou Battin.



Dave and Debbie Duane - August 28, 2024 at 01:39 PM

DD

“ Dave and Debbie Duane planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Dixie Lou Battin.

Dave and Debbie Duane - August 28, 2024 at 01:39 PM

DJ

“ *Denise Palmer Dianne Joyce Dan Lisa Jeff purchased the Divine Peace Bouquet for the family of Dixie Lou Battin.*



Denise Palmer Dianne Joyce Dan Lisa Jeff - August 28, 2024
at 11:14 AM

KL

“ *I always knew Dixie as my best friend's older sister until three years ago when we became friends. I am so grateful for those three years.*

Kathy Iott - August 27, 2024 at 09:10 PM



“ *Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum was purchased for the family of Dixie Lou Battin.*



August 27, 2024 at 08:29 PM

LS

“ *Laci and Marty Swartz planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Dixie Lou Battin.*

Laci and Marty Swartz - August 27, 2024 at 08:29 PM

PA

“ *Pahz purchased the Medium Dish Garden for the family of Dixie Lou Battin.*



Pahz - August 27, 2024 at 07:52 PM

SM

“ *I had the pleasure of knowing Dixie while I worked for the City of Lansing. She was always smiling. May your cherished memories of Dixie bring you comfort and may knowing that she is in God's loving embrace give you peace.*



Suzanne Moore - August 27, 2024 at 05:13 PM

EH

“ *The one thing about Dixie was her huge smile and laugh. It something I feel I will always remember. Wishing everyone love and peace.*

Erin Hardy - August 27, 2024 at 04:31 PM



“ *Emerald Garden Basket was purchased for the family of Dixie Lou Battin.*



August 27, 2024 at 01:46 PM

SS

“ Dixie was a wonderful lady. We had the best time with our children playing in the yard while Dixie and I were playing competitive Scrabble against each other. She may have thrown an earring or two. She was a great mother, grandmother and friend and will be great missed.

Sue Spaulding - August 27, 2024 at 12:53 PM

RS

“ Roger S. planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Dixie Lou Battin.

Roger S. - August 27, 2024 at 12:47 PM

MH

“ Sending my prayers and condolences to you girls and your children. Your mom was a great person! Continue to hold on to all the great memories you shared.

Mary Hinton - August 27, 2024 at 11:06 AM

MS

“ My deepest condolences to Dixie’s family. You lost a wonderful woman. It was pure joy to have her working with me in the Lansing City Clerk’s Office. A very kind, hardworking and dedicated woman. And even as recently as last Christmas, we shared updates on our lives. She wrote long updates on how she was doing and her family as well. No-one takes the time to write a letter these days but Dixie did! A finer woman never lived.

Marilynn Slade - August 27, 2024 at 10:42 AM

HB

“ Dixie was one of my mom’s crazy, fun cousins. Growing up it was always a delight to see her and her sisters because you never knew what to expect. I loved hanging out with her at reunions or impromptu luncheons. Laura and Lisa I love you both and will miss your mom’s beautiful face so much! Love to you all! Heather

Heather Birchmeier - August 27, 2024 at 10:40 AM

SJ

Dixie was one of the kindness caring person I have ever known always there to cheer me up. I loved her and reminded her every time we talked. She loved her family so deeply I am sorry for their loss. Dixie and I were friends for so many years from our 20,s till she left us in heaven I will treasure that time

Sherry Johanson - August 27, 2024 at 11:28 AM

LK

“ Love, Karen purchased the Pretty Please for the family of Dixie Lou Battin.



Love, Karen - August 27, 2024 at 10:35 AM

TA

“ I was so sorry to hear of Dixie's passing. She was a wonderful friend. You could not find a better person than Dixie. My heartfelt condolences to her family.

Tonya Ashley - August 27, 2024 at 09:55 AM

TF

“ the Blanchard family purchased the Basket Full of Wishes for the family of Dixie Lou Battin.



the Blanchard family - August 27, 2024 at 09:49 AM

TF

“ the Blanchard family planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Dixie Lou Battin.

the Blanchard family - August 27, 2024 at 09:49 AM



“ Full Of Love Bouquet was purchased for the family of Dixie Lou Battin.



August 27, 2024 at 09:43 AM

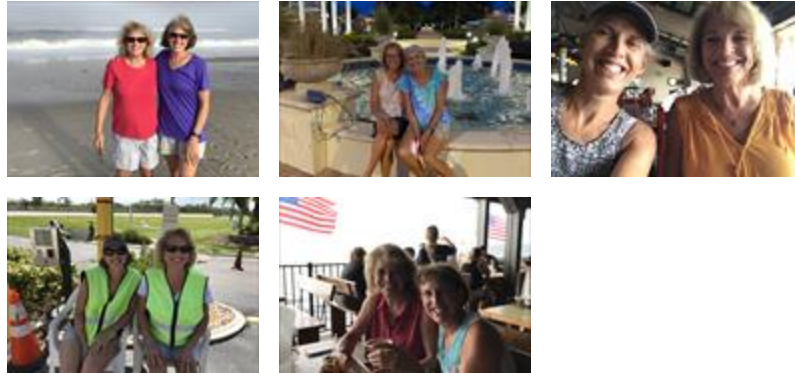
MD

“ I'm so sorry to hear the passing of Dixie. One of my Mom's all-time favorite cousins. I sent Xmas cards to Dixie every year & always enjoyed hearing back from her. She will most definitely be in my thoughts & prayers. Such an amazing & beautiful soul. Condolences to Dixie's family.💔💔💔💔

Michelle Dombrowski - August 27, 2024 at 09:06 AM

JS

“ You are missed, loved and forever in my heart. I love you, Dixie.



Joanne Lose (Dixie's sister) - August 26, 2024 at 10:17 PM

TF

“ The Drewyor family. planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Dixie Lou Battin.

The Drewyor family. - August 26, 2024 at 08:48 PM

TF

“ The Drewyor family. purchased the Tender Tribute for the family of Dixie Lou Battin.



The Drewyor family. - August 26, 2024 at 08:48 PM

KB

“ *My sweet Dixie, I am going to miss you so much but I know mom was waiting for you so you can go on your trips and see all the lighthouses..*



Kelly boyer - August 26, 2024 at 08:04 PM

JN

*Dixie and I were in a school play "Meet me in St. Louie" together. We had a great and fun time doing that production. She kept the cast and crew laughing.
I'm glad no one can take those memories away.
Hang on to those special time you shared.*

Jean Nellis - August 27, 2024 at 04:27 PM

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IRAN**

“ *Seth Best lit a candle in memory of Dixie Lou Battin*



Seth Best - August 26, 2024 at 07:43 PM