



Frances Carpenter

June 25, 1931 - June 5, 2020

Frances "Fran" Carpenter, 88, of Potterville, died peacefully on Friday, June 5, 2020. Fran was born June 25, 1931 in Charlotte, the daughter of Leone and Zella Katherine (Williams) Loveland. She graduated from Charlotte High School before marrying her life-long love, Edwin Dee Carpenter on July 14, 1952. In her younger years, she always baked every weekend and was very involved in helping her husband coach the church softball team. She was secretary/treasurer for the church, a position in which she took great pride. Fran first worked as a telephone operator for Michigan Bell, and notably was the key operator in saving a woman's life. As a career, Fran served as an Administrative Tech for the U.S. Department of Agriculture, from which she retired. She also enjoyed sewing, ceramics, puzzles and puzzle books, and dominos with Ed. Above all, Fran loved her family.

Fran is survived by her children, Jeff (Sandy) Carpenter, Donnis Eshelman, Denise Wilson, and Jenella (TJ) Smith; daughter-in-law, Kathy Carpenter; 13 grandchildren; 19 great-grandchildren. She was predeceased by her husband, Ed in 2019; son, Greg Carpenter in 2014.

Friends are encouraged to support Fran's family with multiple options for doing so. Visitation at Pray Funeral Home, limited to 10 people at a time, will be held on Tuesday, June 16, 2020 from 2:00 - 4:00 and 6:00 - 8:00 p.m. A special drive-through visitation will be available from 11 a.m. - 1:00 p.m. on

Wednesday, June 17, 2020 at the funeral home. Visitors will be directed through a car-line to share condolences with the family and pay respects to Fran, without needed to leave their car. Private Interment will take place at Meadowbrook Cemetery in Mulliken, although friends are invited to view the graveside via webcast by visiting www.prayfuneral.com, click on Fran's tribute, and then click on Photos and Videos from your computer (or Media from your smart phone). Just prior to the beginning of the service, a link will appear on this page to watch the webcast. If desired, the family suggests memorial contributions to the family or Hospice of Lansing. The family is in the care of Pray Funeral Home, Charlotte.

Cemetery Details

Meadowbrook Cemetery-Roxand Twp

100 Ionia Street
PO Box 127
Mulliken, MI 48861

Previous Events

Visitation

JUN **16**. 2:00 PM - 4:00 PM (ET)

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

Visitation

JUN **16**. 6:00 PM - 8:00 PM (ET)

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Drive up visitation

JUN **17**. 11:00 AM - 1:00 PM (ET)

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Tribute Wall



“ *Pray Funeral Home, Inc created a Tribute Video in memory of Frances Carpenter*



Pray Funeral Home, Inc. - June 14, 2020 at 10:35 PM

TR

So sorry for the loss of your mother fran. May you all find comfort in this time of the sadness. To the carpenter family. Condolences from. Teresa Cook Robinson.

Teresa Cook Robinson - June 16, 2020 at 09:38 PM

JB

“ *I am sorry for your loss. You and your family are in my thoughts and prayers.*



Jill Bayes - June 15, 2020 at 08:35 AM



“ 42 files added to the album Life Tributes



Pray Funeral Home, Inc. - June 14, 2020 at 10:31 PM



“ What memories I can share as the hospitality we experienced at Ed and Frans home through the years. Special love to the family.

Joyce Carpenter - June 14, 2020 at 07:18 PM



“ Peaceful White Lilies Basket was purchased for the family of Frances Carpenter.



June 14, 2020 at 11:07 AM



“ RUSS AND CONNIE JOLLY, JOHN AND JULIE PARISH purchased the Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum for the family of Frances Carpenter.



RUSS AND CONNIE JOLLY, JOHN AND JULIE PARISH - June 10, 2020 at 12:20 PM

DG

“ *Jenella and family,*

I'm so sorry to hear of the loss of your mother. It's a part of life on earth that is difficult. May it bring you comfort knowing your mom is rejoicing and celebrating with Jesus now. Jenella, I just wanted you to know that an old friend was thinking of you.

*Best regards,
Donna-Kay Gilman*

Donna-Kay Gilman - June 07, 2020 at 05:32 PM

JD

“ *We are so sorry to read this. We will miss her so much. God is good all the time and Fran is in a better place. God Bless all of you. Prayers and Love Dale, Jan and Anne Dodds.*

Janice Dodds - June 06, 2020 at 09:04 PM



“ *To the Carpenter Family:*

Sorry to read about your Mom's passing. She was well respected in the Potterville community. Our Mom grew up neighbors to the Loveland family and Grandma was good friends with Doreen who helped raise your Mom her early years after the twins were born. Our deepest sympathy to each of you. Be comforted by the good memories you have of your Mom.

With sympathy,

*Bargy family
(Written by Dan Bargy)*

Daniel Bargy - June 06, 2020 at 08:35 AM

NA

God sent Jesus to earth, his comfort gives us peace and hope. Our deep and heartfelt sympathy is with you at this sad time. Nan and Chip, with the Agnello family also.

Nancy Agnello - June 07, 2020 at 04:54 PM

TL

“ Love you Aunt Fran. You will be missed so much. 💕 tell uncle Ed I say hi. I am sure he has missed you!

Trudy Lehman - June 06, 2020 at 07:50 AM

DL

“ I spent a great deal of time at the Carpenter's house growing up and got to know Fran very well she was a great lady and mother who always made sure everyone was happy and had what they needed. She was a great cook and loved her family very much. She was always helping others and will be remembered as someone who lived through her heart and her promise to God. She always made me feel like I was part of the family. Fran Carpenter is one of a kind and will be greatly missed.

Danny Leonard

Danny Leonard - June 06, 2020 at 07:20 AM

SL

“ So Sorry to here. I started school with Jenella in kindergarten, and we graduated together. We built homecoming floats at her house. He parents were always so gracious to our whole class even though we were little assholes. She was a wonderful woman.

Steve Lett - June 05, 2020 at 07:18 PM