



Helen Louise Vierk

October 22, 1924 - January 24, 2020

Helen Louise Vierk, 95, of Charlotte, died peacefully on Friday, January 24, 2020 in Marshall, MI. Helen was born October 22, 1924 in Vermontville, MI, the daughter of Boyer and Hazel (Wells) Rickle. She graduated from Vermontville High School in 1942 and enrolled in comptometer classes at Lansing Community College. Helen married Lee Vierk on September 13, 1947, and the two started their life together on the farm. She worked 6 years at Oldsmobile before going to work fulltime alongside Lee on their "3000 layer" egg farm. Helen was a co-founder of the Spaulding 4H Club and a life member of Michigan Farm Bureau. She volunteered countless hours to the Eaton County Fair, as well as with the Eaton County Adult Handicap Programs. In her personal time, Helen loved sewing and crocheting, and time outdoors in her flower gardens. She and Lee also enjoyed traveling, including winters in Texas, a caravan through Mexico to Cancun and a Caribbean Cruise to celebrate their 50th anniversary. They were 35 year members of the Good Sam RV Club. Following Lee's death in 2010, Helen managed on her own, having breakfast everyday at Big Boy, and a McDonald's cheeseburger every night for dinner. Above all, Helen loved her family.

She is survived by her son, Larry (Diana) Vierk of Charlotte; daughters, Janet Bowers of Olivet and Brenda Vierk of Lansing; 6 grandchildren, Mark (Denise) Vierk, Chris (Nicole) Vierk, Tracie (Chris) Portillo, Chanda (Todd) Aves, Matt (Kyleigh Kunkel) Bowers and Melissa (Bruce) Carpenter; 18 great-

grandchildren; several great-great-grandchildren; sister, Margaret Wood; and several nieces and nephews. She was predeceased by her husband of 63 years, Lee; brothers, Douglas Rickle and Bob Rickle; several brothers-in-law and sisters-in-law; and her parents.

Friends are encouraged to support Helen's family. Funeral services will be 11:00 a.m. on Tuesday, January 28, 2020 at Pray Funeral Home in Charlotte with Laura Cooper officiating. Visitation will be from 2:00 - 4:00 and 6:00 - 8:00 p.m. on Monday, January 27, 2020 at the funeral home. Interment will take place in Kalamo Hillside Cemetery. If desired, the family suggests memorial contributions to the Alzheimer's Association. Friends and family are encouraged to share memories of Helen on her Tribute Page at 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

JAN 27. 2:00 PM - 4:00 PM (ET)

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

Visitation

JAN 27. 6:00 PM - 8:00 PM (ET)

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Funeral Ceremony

JAN 28. 11:00 AM (ET)

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Tribute Wall



“ *Pray Funeral Home, Inc created a Tribute Video in memory of Helen Louise Vierk*



Pray Funeral Home, Inc. - January 26, 2020 at 07:21 PM

LC

“ *Helen & her daughter, Brenda, were active with the Adult Program at Eaton RESA in Charlotte for many years until Helen's health started failing.*

She was a wonderful, sweet & loving woman that put in a lot of volunteer hours with the Program. We have & will miss her friendly, smiling face! May she rest in peace.

Linda Cobb (lcobb@eatonresa.org)

Linda Cobb - January 30, 2020 at 06:12 PM



“ 45 files added to the album LifeTributes



Pray Funeral Home, Inc. - January 26, 2020 at 07:20 PM

RJ

“ Robert Rickle Jr. purchased the Peaceful White Lilies Basket for the family of Helen Louise Vierk .



Robert Rickle Jr. - January 26, 2020 at 02:29 PM

BP

“ Larry & Diane and family so sorry to hear of your grandma's passing. Prayers and hugs bill & bonnie partridge

Bill & Bonnie partridge - January 25, 2020 at 07:50 AM

AB

“ All our love, Margaret, Charlene and Becky purchased the Lily and Rose Tribute Spray for the family of Helen Louise Vierk .



All our love, Margaret, Charlene and Becky - January 25, 2020 at 12:02 AM



“ *Arrive in Style was purchased for the family of Helen Louise Vierk .*



January 24, 2020 at 09:25 PM