



Jane Belle Nelson

March 7, 2015

Jane B. Nelson died on March 7, 2015, at the age of 78, due to complications from dementia. Born in Buffalo, New York in February 1937, Jane had a passion for educating children and helping them find their way in the world. An art lover with an affection for beach combing and boat rides, she spent her life in service to her family, her students and her community. She was a devoted wife to her husband, mother to her children and daughter to her parents.

Her love for teaching was born in Kalamazoo, Michigan, where she graduated from Western Michigan University in 1959 with a bachelor's degree in education. After teaching in Arlington, Virginia and Plymouth, Michigan, she moved to Charlotte and taught at Galewood Elementary School. Jane attended Michigan State University and received her master's degree in education. During her tenure in Charlotte, she was promoted to serve as Galewood's principal. Later, she also served as principal of Washington Elementary School.

Jane was active in Republican Party politics for many years, serving on the GOP State Central Committee and as a national party alternate to the 1980 Republican National Convention. After 30 years as an educator, she retired and spent much of her time at her beloved home on Duck Lake, and traveling with her husband. She'll be remembered for her sense of humor, her compassion and her enormous creativity.

Jane is survived by her husband, Roger; her two children, Sarah Kellogg of Washington DC and Sam Kellogg of Chicago; her stepchildren, Mike Nelson, Robin (Steve) Crocker and Judy (Matt) Wineingar; and her step-grandchildren, Olivia and Brock, and Megan and Abby.

The family will receive friends at the Pray Funeral Home, 401 W. Seminary St., Charlotte, Michigan, from 2 PM to 4 PM and 7 PM to 9 PM on Tuesday, March 10. A memorial service will be held on Wednesday, March 11 at 12 noon, with Pastor Cindy Skutar officiating. Jane will be laid to rest at Maple Hill Cemetery after the service. In lieu of flowers, donations may be made to the Eaton County Health and Rehabilitation Services (formerly the Eaton County Medical Care Facility), Volunteer Activity Department, 530 Beech St., Charlotte, MI 48813. Jane loved all their special activities, concerts and trips. Condolences may be sent to the family in Jane's Book Of Memories at <http://www.PrayFuneralHome.com> Arrangements by Pray Funeral Home, Charlotte.

Cemetery Details

Maple Hill Cemetery

801 Tully Brown Rd.
Charlotte, MI

Previous Events

Visitation

MAR 10. 2:00 PM - 4:00 PM (ET)

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

MAR 10. 7:00 PM - 9:00 PM (ET)

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Service

MAR 11. 12:00 PM (ET)

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Tribute Wall

PI

“ We are pleased to provide this Book of Memories to the family.



Pray Funeral Home, Inc. - March 19, 2015 at 10:09 AM

AB

“ Sarah, I'm sorry for your loss. I hope you are able to rejoice in her life with your loved ones! Love and Hugs! Amy

Amy Sazima Burt - March 19, 2015 at 10:08 AM

CS

“ Roger, Sarah & Sam- I was a caregiver of Jane's at Eaton County. She was a feisty lady and she liked to laugh at me when I did silly things. My condolences to all of you.

Celene Swagler - March 19, 2015 at 10:08 AM

RO

“ Roger, Sarah and Sam we are so sorry to hear of the passing of your wife and mother. She was a great lady and I, Ruth, was honored to work for/with her.

Ruth & John O'Bryant - March 19, 2015 at 10:08 AM

NM

“ my condolences to the Nelson and Kellogg families. fond memories of working in schools with Jane, and living as a neighbor on m-50 and at Duck Lake. She is now at peace, Nancy and family 21

nancy mayhew - March 19, 2015 at 10:07 AM

LC

“ Roger and family....my condolences on the passing of Jane. I remember fondly working with her as a student and considered her a great mentor. It brings a smile to my face of her and Roger following the Willie Nelson bus with my mom and dad. Who would have thought them and my parents would be groupies! I wish you many happy memories of her life and all the times that brought love and joy to you all.

Laura Cooper - March 19, 2015 at 10:07 AM