



Laretta Alden

May 10, 1938 - July 5, 2017

Laretta Elaine Alden, 79, of Charlotte, passed away peacefully at her home on July 5, 2017. Her parents Lawrence and Doris (Eno) Sixberry welcomed her to the world on May 10, 1938. She married Charles Alden on August 18, 1967, and they were together for 49 wonderful years, raising five children, and then later enjoying as their family expanded with 7 grandchildren and 8 great-grandchildren. Laretta was a huge Elvis fan, with a large collection of Elvis memorabilia. Laretta loved reading (she always had her nose in a book), and also enjoyed cooking, canning, crossword puzzles, and especially camping all summer long. Even while camping, she was still able to make large meals for her friends and family. Laretta also actively volunteered with Special Olympics, President of their church circle, and she was a Sunday school teacher.

Laretta is survived by her husband of 49 years, Charles; children Debra (Chris) Armstrong, Lowell Anthony (Carolyn) Knoll, Richard Maurice (Roxana) Knoll; 7 grandchildren; 9 great-grandchildren; and her sisters Nina Pennington and Harriett Scarff. She was preceded in death by sons Timmy and Norman Knoll and her parents.

Funeral Services are Monday, July 10, 11:00 a.m. at Pray Funeral Home in Charlotte with Pastor Charles Jenson officiating. Visitation is Sunday, July 9, 2-5 p.m. at Pray Funeral Home. If desired, the family suggests memorial

contributions to West Carmel Congregational Church. Friends and family are encouraged to share memories of Laretta on her Tribute Page at www.PrayFuneral.com. The family is in the care of Pray Funeral Home.

Cemetery Details

Hillside (Kalamo) Cemetery

1459 S. Ionia Rd
Vermontville, MI 49096

Previous Events

Visitation

JUL **9**. 2:00 PM - 5:00 PM (ET)

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

Funeral Ceremony

JUL **10**. 11:00 AM (ET)

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Tribute Wall



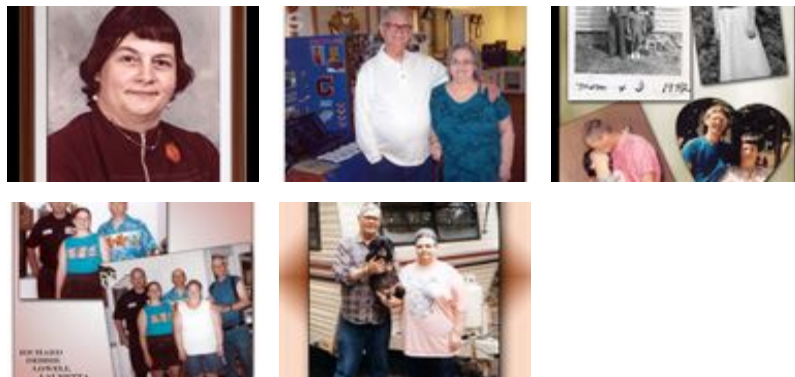
“ Pray Funeral Home, Inc created a Tribute Video in memory of Laretta Alden



Pray Funeral Home, Inc. - July 08, 2017 at 02:45 PM



“ 25 files added to the album Life Tributes



Pray Funeral Home, Inc. - July 08, 2017 at 02:41 PM

NI

This beautiful soul was my older sister and I miss her so much to this very day. I love you Laretta.

Nina - January 01, 2022 at 12:32 AM



“ *Serene Retreat was purchased for the family of Laretta Alden.*



July 07, 2017 at 01:41 PM



“ *Laretta was a very special person. She loved children and spent many Sunday's with the pre-school children and gave up many summer weeks to share with summer Bible School. Many are the times she asked me if there wasn't something more she could do to help me or the church. We have great memories but God has a new angel.*

Darwin and Nancy Kuhl - July 06, 2017 at 06:28 PM



“ *Laretta was a wonderful, loving grandmother to my children and great grandmother to theirs. She was a wonderful mother in law and friend. She will be deeply missed by everyone who knew her. Much love to you Chuck, you were the best husband to her. I am so sorry for your loss. Wendy*

Wendy Walker - July 06, 2017 at 01:39 PM



Not a day is going to go by that I don't think of you grandma. I hope you know how much you were loved. The only peace is knowing that you aren't in pain anymore and you are with your boys. Rest in heaven sweet angel I am going to miss you so much

Jessica Knoll Harrington - July 06, 2017 at 01:48 PM

LK

Mom I miss you but I know you are with Grandpa and Grandma, Tim and Norm by your side and that you are playing yatzee with Beth. Love you for I'll see you again.

Lowell A. Knoll - July 07, 2017 at 08:50 PM

NP

I wish I could turn back the clock to when you and Chuck used to camp out at my house in the summer and we would check out the thrift shops, I really miss those days. Love You Nina

Nina (Sixberry) Pennington - July 20, 2017 at 06:55 PM

HS

I'm going to miss you. We were always together as kids and when our kids were young. You will be with Mother and Dad and Norman and Tim. I'll see you in heaven. I love you. Harriett

Harriett Scarff - July 20, 2017 at 08:55 PM