



Madge Loraine Cooley

December 4, 1929 - February 14, 2020

Madge Loraine Sadowsky (Putney) Cooley, 90, a fun-loving and caring mother, grandmother, great-grandmother and great-great-grandmother, died peacefully on Friday, February 14, 2020 at home in Battle Creek. Madge, formerly of Olivet and Montpelier, OH, was born December 4, 1929 at home in Clarence Twp. She graduated from Olivet High School in 1948 and soon after married Kenneth Arthur Putney on August 7, 1948. Together the two raised five children and enjoyed 25 years of marriage before Kenneth's death in 1973. Aside from home life on the farm, Madge went to work for Olivet Schools as a substitute in the cafeteria, and in her 8 years of service worked her way up to Head of Food Service. She later married Robert Cooley, and the two spent 30 years of marriage in Ohio, and enjoyed travel adventures to Germany, Alaska and Hawaii. She enjoyed many things from sewing, crochet, polka dancing, and traveling to canning vegetables from her gardens. Many will remember Madge's amazing homemade cinnamon rolls, a tradition she passed down to her daughters. After Bob's death in 2011, she lived in Battle Creek with her daughter, where she enjoyed time with family and watching wildlife.

Madge is survived by three daughters, Teresa Ballard, Dana Putney, and Linda (Bill Claggett) Putney; eight grandchildren, Joe (Joyce) Hoffdahl, Ben (Marcie) Graves, Jenny (Andy) Fry, Michael Hoffdahl, Amy (Claude) Plante, Stephanie (Tuffy) Collier, Michelle (Dan) Verhougstraete, and Elisabeth

Keever; nine great-grandchildren, Tiffany Graves, Colton Graves, Joseph Graves, Cooper Fry, Luc Plante, Braiden Meininger, Andi Grochowsky, Kelton Plante, and Preston Collier; three great-great-grandchildren, Carter Kelley, Logan Kelley, and Remington Graham; and her brother, Gene Sadowsky. She was predeceased by her first husband, Kenneth Putney in 1973; second husband, Robert Cooley in 2011; son, Byron Putney in 1973; daughter, Evelyn (Putney) Cain in 2009; and two siblings, Eleanor Sadowsky and Paul Sadowsky.

Friends are encouraged to support Madge's family at visitation and services. Funeral services will be at 12:00 Noon on Wednesday, February 19, 2020 at Pray Funeral Home in Charlotte with Pastor James Gysel officiating. Visitation will be from 4:00 - 6:00 p.m. on Tuesday, February 18, 2020 and 10:00 a.m. - 12:00 p.m. on Wednesday, February 19, 2020, both at Pray Funeral Home, Charlotte. Interment will be at Lee Center Cemetery. If desired, the family suggests memorial contributions to the Southwest Michigan Humane Society at 2500 Watkins Rd, Battle Creek, MI 49015. Friends and family are encouraged to share memories of Madge on her Tribute Page at www.PrayFuneral.com. The family is in the care of Pray Funeral Home, Charlotte.

Cemetery Details

Lee Center Cemetery

21812 V Drive N
Olivet, MI 49076

Previous Events

Visitation

FEB 18. 4:00 PM - 6:00 PM (ET)

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

Visitation

FEB 19. 10:00 AM - 12:00 PM (ET)

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Funeral Ceremony

FEB 19. 12:00 PM (ET)

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Tribute Wall



“ Pray Funeral Home, Inc created a Tribute Video in memory of Madge Loraine Cooley



Pray Funeral Home, Inc. - February 17, 2020 at 10:21 AM

LH

“ With our deepest sympathy ~ all our love The Huegel's Lori Anne, Jeff and Abigail



Lori Anne Huegel - February 18, 2020 at 08:10 PM

LH

I am so grateful you found me xoxo

Lori Anne Huegel - February 18, 2020 at 08:10 PM

KS

“ Kevin and Marci along with our boys: Connor and Casey send our sincere and deepest sympathy's to the family's of my dear Aunt Madge.

I will always cherish the time growing up with all my cousins, working (playing) on the farm. So many fond memories that will forever remain in my heart. We were truly blessed by your love.

Kevin Sadowsky - February 17, 2020 at 04:57 PM



“ *Country Basket Blooms was purchased for the family of Madge Loraine Cooley.*



February 17, 2020 at 02:44 PM



“ *My deepest and sincerest sympathy's to the children grandchildren and great grandchildren of my dear Aunt Madge what a great lady she was and she will be greatly missed by all who knew her... I had many wonderful memories of summer visits with my cousins on the farm and all the fabulous homemade meals made by Aunt Madge... I never remember her having a cross word towards anyone while we were there visiting..... she was a hard working lady but always had time for us whenever we were there.... you will be missed greatly!!*

Penny Sadowsky - February 17, 2020 at 02:19 PM



“ *Collette, Charmayne and Dean Cooley purchased the Basket Full of Wishes for the family of Madge Loraine Cooley.*



Collette, Charmayne and Dean Cooley - February 17, 2020 at 01:00 PM



“ Larry and Christy Cooley purchased the Country Basket Blooms for the family of Madge Loraine Cooley.



Larry and Christy Cooley - February 17, 2020 at 12:52 PM



“ Gracious Lavender Basket was purchased for the family of Madge Loraine Cooley.



February 17, 2020 at 10:33 AM



“ 52 files added to the album Life Tributes



Pray Funeral Home, Inc. - February 17, 2020 at 10:19 AM

JE

“ Jenny lit a candle in memory of Madge Loraine Cooley



Jenny - February 16, 2020 at 11:24 PM

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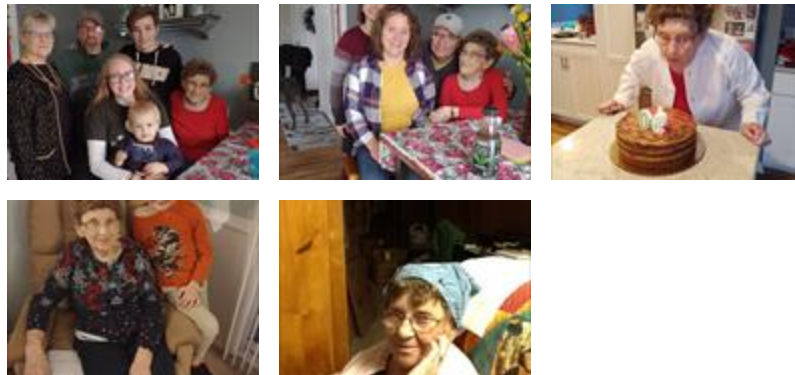
“ 2 files added to the tribute wall



Jenny - February 16, 2020 at 11:23 PM

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“ 7 files added to the tribute wall



Jenny - February 16, 2020 at 11:20 PM

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“ 1 file added to the tribute wall



Linda - February 16, 2020 at 07:03 PM

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“ Linda lit a candle in memory of Madge Loraine Cooley



Linda - February 16, 2020 at 06:45 PM

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“ 3 files added to the tribute wall



Linda - February 16, 2020 at 06:44 PM



“ Medium Dish Garden was purchased for the family of Madge Loraine Cooley.



February 16, 2020 at 01:47 PM

PH

“ I looked forward to my time with Madge every Friday!! I was blessed in getting to know her while doing her hair over the years, she was such a sweet soul and I'm going to miss her more then words can express!! There is a hole in my heart that belongs only to her!! Rest in heaven my sweet friend, until we meet again!! ❤️

Pat Halder - February 15, 2020 at 09:16 AM



“ Serene Retreat was purchased for the family of Madge Loraine Cooley.



February 15, 2020 at 08:05 AM

TB

“ 2 files added to the album Memories Album



tbmath4all Ballard - February 14, 2020 at 09:57 PM