



Mary J. Durham

July 5, 1938 - August 2, 2018

Mary Jane (Teubert) Durham, 80 of Charlotte, was born in Allen Twp., Hillsdale County Michigan on July 5, 1938. She entered the presence of her Lord and Savior Jesus Christ on August 2, 2018 at 5:30 pm. Mary was diagnosed with pancreatic cancer on May 1, 2018. She was the sole survivor of her family, outliving her four siblings.

Mary was predeceased by her mother, Lillian (Hamilton) Teubert; father, Edward Teubert Sr.; brother, Edward Teubert Jr.; sisters, Harriet Teubert, Charlotte (Teubert) Barnes, and younger brother, Larry Teubert Sr. She is survived by her husband, Alan Durham; son and daughter-in-law, Robert and Billie Jo Durham; daughter, Cathy Reed; grandchildren, Cody and Lauren Durham, Chad Durham, Korin Steen, Kayla Dysard, Martina and Corey Biddinger, Mary Reed; and nine great-grandchildren.

Mary was a nurse in Battle Creek from 1957 to 1962. She fostered 25 children in Hillsdale County and Eaton County and was awarded foster parent of the year in Eaton County. She volunteered as a nurse for Eaton Community Palliative Care for eight years. In 2008 she was awarded volunteer of the year for excellent care giver. She loved her family, children, grandchildren and foster children. Each one was special to her. She took particular pride of her home and grounds.

There will not be any memorial services, per her request. She wanted us all to remember her as she was. Anyone wishing to donate may give memorial funds to “McLaren Hospice of Lansing” or “Allen United Methodist Church of Allen Michigan” 49227. The family is in the care of Pray Funeral Home.

Tribute Wall

MB

“ Oh, Gram.... It's been so long, but I still miss you so so so much. You would be so proud of all of us, especially your great grand babies..... Cameron is at U of M!!! Can you believe it!? He's going to do amazing things. I wish things were different and you were still here.... There are so many things I want to tell you and ask you for your advice about... Nothing has been the same since you left. I love and miss you so much. I wish this was an address to heaven...

Martina Biddinger - December 06, 2025 at 12:00 AM

MB

“ This is my grandmother I loved her with all my heart One of my greatest memories was when we where on the for wheeler she always took us and she will forever be in my and others heart😞😞

Madisyn Biddinger - March 31, 2021 at 05:08 PM

MB

Thank you baby girl, she would be so proud of you ❤️

Martina Biddinger - August 02, 2022 at 07:55 PM

CW

“ I have so many memories that I will hold near and dear to my heart. She was a spit fire of a lady and she will be greatly missed by so many!! Much love and many many prayers to all the family!! I love you all! ❤️

Charlene Westmoreland - August 14, 2018 at 12:10 PM

MB

She was😞😞

Madisyn Biddinger - March 31, 2021 at 05:09 PM

LS

“ I will always remember my suntan Mary aka old school nurse and our special moments working side by side at the Hospice house, Mary taught me so much! It is a true honor to have her as a friend and now in my heart ❤️ God you have a great Lady please take very good care of her please watch over her family 🙏❤️🙏 sending lots of love and hugs.. Fly high my friend 😊

Lourie Shannon - August 06, 2018 at 03:52 PM

SS

“ Cousin Sandy (Hamilton) Spieth here. So sorry to hear of Janie's passing. Daddy, (Uncle) Kenneth died of the same thing when he was 84. A memory of Janie. She was 5 years older than me and I was always in awe of her dark suntan. Finally one day she told me about the baby oil/iodine and I have used it ever since to get a dark tan!!! Loved going over to their house although they probably thought of me as a pain in the neck! Will be praying for your family at this hard time. May God surround you with His Arms Of Comfort.

Sandy Spieth - August 04, 2018 at 08:48 PM

CR

Thanks Sandy! Cathy

cathy Reed - August 06, 2018 at 03:31 PM

FB

“ Have such great memories of Mary and how she carried for everyone first. Will always remember fondly the love and support she gave T.K & Maddy over the years. We will greatly miss her. Love to Alan and the rest of the family. I'm sure she is enjoying listening to my dad whistling again as she sings in heaven. Fred & Sharee Burdick

Fred & Sharee Burdick - August 04, 2018 at 01:26 PM

Jl

Mary ans I did patient care at our hospice house and she was a very gentle loving careing person. She also loved to go to stock car racrs with us which earned her the nickname of Mrs.Clean because she dressed all in white the nite we went to dirt track stock car races. When we dropped her off at home she looked like she had rolled in mud. We laughed alot about that nite. Mary and Al always came out to our bonfires and it just wont be the same without hearing her laughter around the fire. Rest in Peace and Fly With the Angels my Frienf.

jan ikle - August 04, 2018 at 09:54 PM

BR

“ We are so sorry for your loss. She was one of a kind. Hold all your memories of her close to your heart.

John and Brenda Reed

brenda reed - August 03, 2018 at 10:40 PM



“ Words cannot express my sorrow for your loss Alan. The world lost a truly wonderful lady...Mary. She ALWAYS had a smile & a kind word. I will miss her greatly.

Doug Waggott - August 03, 2018 at 08:54 PM

JK

“ Alan I am so very very sorry for your loss. Mary was a great friend. I loved her dearly and she will be missed greatly. Her smile was always infectious. Love you mustang Mary !!!

💔 Janet Keefer

Janet Keefer - August 03, 2018 at 07:05 PM

MS

“ Mary Standley lit a candle in memory of Mary J. Durham



Mary Standley - August 03, 2018 at 06:02 PM

MS

“ She was such and awesome person !! RIP Mary.

Mary Standley - August 03, 2018 at 06:01 PM

TP

“ I am so sorry for your loss, “Nanny” Mary was such an important part of my children’s lives, she taught me many lessons on how to raise my children and loved them as they were her own family. She is one of the most caring and special people I will have ever had the pleasure to know. We have always been so thankful that she was part of our lives. Our thoughts and prayers are with you all, with loving memories, take care, Tammy

Tammy Patrick - August 03, 2018 at 04:36 PM

AD

Thank you all for your kind sentiments. All my family appreciate your thoughts and prayers. Through it all God is good.

Alan Durham - August 03, 2018 at 08:34 PM



So sorry for your loss. Mary was indeed a very special lady. We got to know each other when fostered children at the same time. May you feel God’s loving around at this time.

Donna Colegrove - August 04, 2018 at 09:55 AM