



Nona Mae Upright

March 25, 1931 - July 16, 2022

Nona Mae Upright, 91, who always had a smile on her face, of Charlotte died at home Saturday, July 16, 2022. Nona was born March 25, 1931 in Vermontville, the daughter of Blake and Doris (Rogers) Makley. She was raised on farms during her younger years and she enjoyed helping her dad feed the animals and drove a team of horses while putting up hay. She graduated from Vermontville High School in 1948 as co-salutatorian. She met Fay Upright at a dance during high school and they were married on April 24, 1949. Her family brought her much joy. She loved spending time with all her children, grandchildren, and great-grandchildren, loving them, learning from them, and sharing special times with them at Houghton Lake. Nona found time for reading, writing in her special book "The Book of Myself," working in her yard and flower garden, painting with oil paints, sewing doll clothes for the Christmas Kiddie Program, embroidering, quilting for her great-grandchildren, and loved baking bread and rolls. She was a life member of the Maple City Chapter #218 O.E.S. and a former Homemaker of the Year through the Eaton County Extension.

Nona is survived by her children, Debra Upright, James Upright and Brenda Newman; grandchildren, Heather Upright, Blake (Jennifer) Upright, Kelly Frazee, Lacie (Jake) Braman, Amy Forell; great-grandchildren, Hannah Upright, Lauren Upright, Grace Upright, Marty Frazee, Audrey Frazee, Kylea Braman, Karley Braman, Khloe Braman, Stella Soloman, Noah Faubus, and

Mya Faubus; sisters, Judy Gordeneer, Jerrie (Dan) Drewyor and Joyce (Bob) Blake. She was predeceased by her parents; husband, Fay; daughter, Christine Upright; sister, Lois Myers; and brother-in-law, Dennis Gordeneer.

Friends are encouraged to support Nona's family by attending her celebration of life or sharing memories on her Tribute Page at www.prayfuneral.com. Per Nona's request, the family would like to invite close friends and family to join them for a gathering and luncheon in the Gardens at Pray Funeral Home, 2:00 PM Friday August 12, 2022.

Cemetery Details

Gresham Cemetery

4100 Mulliken Rd
Charlotte, MI 48813

Previous Events

Memorial Gathering

AUG 12. 2:00 PM (ET)

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

Tribute Wall



“ Pray Funeral Home, Inc created a Webcast in memory of Nona Mae Upright



Pray Funeral Home, Inc. - August 12, 2022 at 12:48 PM



“ Pray Funeral Home, Inc created a Tribute Video in memory of Nona Mae Upright



Pray Funeral Home, Inc. - August 05, 2022 at 11:34 AM



“ Fiery Lily and Rose was purchased for the family of Nona Mae Upright.



August 08, 2022 at 08:43 AM



“ 50 files added to the album *Life Tributes*



Pray Funeral Home, Inc. - August 04, 2022 at 03:43 PM

AN

“ *My sincerest condolences to Nona's family and friends. I didn't know her but I always heard such great things about her and I always thought she's was such an inspiration to many. May she rest in peace with loved ones who have passed before her.*

Annette - July 29, 2022 at 02:38 PM

JS

“ *Nona would send my widowed Grandpa Alton White a loaf of fresh made bread every week. She was a wonderful lady and role model to all the kids in the neighborhood. Blessings to you all! Jill Royston Smith*

Jill Royston Smith - July 25, 2022 at 08:19 PM

TN

“ Tracy Nagle lit a candle in memory of Nona Mae Upright



Tracy Nagle - July 23, 2022 at 08:04 PM

KS

“ We were very sad to learn of Nona's passing. She was a kind and loving lady. My Mom and Nona shared many good times over the years as first cousins. I know you will all miss her very much.
Sincerely, Kitty(Rush) Stanley

Kitty Stanley - July 23, 2022 at 04:46 PM

JG

“ Very sorry to hear of your loss, Nona was a great lady. All the Christmas and birthday cards she faithfully sent out every year have been missed in recent years. We will always miss her smiling face.
Sadly missed,
Melva Shook and family

Jill Garn - July 23, 2022 at 12:42 PM

CW

“ Chad & Carol Walker lit a candle in memory of Nona Mae Upright



Chad & Carol Walker - July 22, 2022 at 12:11 AM



“ *Family of Nona Upright:*

My thoughts are with you. Deepest sympathy for your loss.

*Daniel Bargy
(Grandson of Gertrude Simpson Walker)*

Daniel Bargy - July 19, 2022 at 09:55 AM



“ *My heart hurts. Love and prayers. Nona was one in a million. One of my favorite people.*

Cindy Goodrich - July 18, 2022 at 09:18 PM