



Pauline Madge Puttbrese

March 18, 1913 - May 24, 2017

Pauline Madge Puttbrese, 104, of Charlotte, Michigan, passed away in Hastings, Michigan on May 24, 2017. Pauline was born in Mosherville, Michigan to Sara Madge McQuiston and John Freemont Reed (Monte) on March 18, 1913. She was married to and shared 3 beautiful children with Max Hill in the early 1930's. She married Albert Puttbrese, Commander in the Navy, in 1945 and spent 32 years traveling to over 90 countries exploring new places, interesting people and challenging experiences. She was a proud supporter of her country and a former Rosie the Riveter, building airplanes at Fisher Body in Lansing. Her favorite city to visit was Paris. Pauline loved to be surrounded by people and laughter, and had wonderful stories to share that would hold her audience captivated.

One of her favorite things to do was watch Lawrence Welk on Saturday nights. She adored the color pink, even in carpet for her home. And there was never a place a rose could not reside. Pauline was never afraid to experiment with her life or to go off the 'expected' path. She dipped her toes in every intriguing stream and stopped at lots of watering holes. No matter where she went, she was always happy to share her journey with those around her.

Pauline is preceded in death by her husband, Cdr. Albert Puttbrese; siblings, Lucille, Phyllis, and Tom; daughter, Patsy Chamberlain; and grandchildren, Nancy (Hill) Thornton and Albert Lee Chamberlain.

Pauline is survived by son, Marvin (Agnes) Hill; daughter Yvonne (Jack-deceased) Ellis; eight grandchildren, twenty-six great-grandchildren and twenty-eight great-great-grandchildren.

Visitation will be Tuesday, May 30, 2017, 12 noon-1:30 p.m. at Pray Funeral Home in Charlotte. Funeral services will be held at the funeral home immediately following visitation at 1:30 p.m. A luncheon follows at Maplebrook Country Club at 681 Lansing Street in Charlotte. Pauline will be laid to rest with the love of her life, Cdr. Albert Puttbrese in Woodstock, Illinois at a later date. In lieu of flowers, please donate to Great Lakes Caring Hospice or Disabled American Veterans. Friends and family are encouraged to share memories of Pauline on her tribute page at www.PrayFuneral.com. The family is in the care of Pray Funeral Home.

Previous Events

Visitation

MAY **30**. 12:00 PM - 1:30 PM (ET)

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

Funeral Ceremony

MAY **30**. 1:30 PM (ET)

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Tribute Wall



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“ *Pray Funeral Home, Inc created a Tribute Video in memory of Pauline Madge Puttbrese*



Pray Funeral Home, Inc. - May 29, 2017 at 11:55 AM

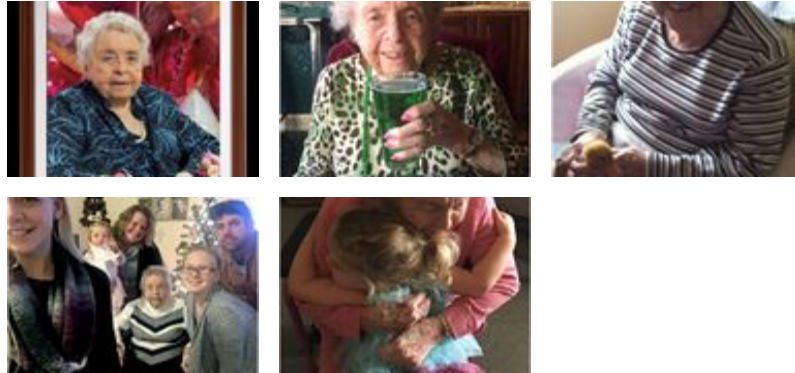
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“ *I knew that Pauline was one-of-kind from the moment that I met her! She was straightforward, but kind with a strong spirit. I will never forget her or the conversations that we had when she shared her wonderful memories of travel. I will truly miss her. My prayers and love to you, Marvin, and the rest of your extended family. She may be gone, but she will never be forgotten. I am so glad that that I had the opportunity to know her.*

Carol Foster - May 31, 2017 at 06:41 PM



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“ I first met Pauline in 2009. My sister, Marcia Slaughter who was volunteering for Hospice at that time introduced Pauline to me. I fell in love with her from that very first visit. Marcia and I had just lost our precious mom and Pauline filled that big hole in our hearts that our mom left. My first visit with Pauline, I noticed a picture on her wall of Pat Chamberlain, whom I had worked at Pennock Hospital with. I ask Pauline "So, you know Pat?" and she said "She's my daughter" (smile). I never knew during that first visit that I'd come to love this lady so very much. I will miss her cuteness, and her sense of humor. She was one special person to lots of people and I'm happy to have had her in my life for a short time... Virginia Kane

Virginia Kane - May 26, 2017 at 08:25 PM

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“ She helped me through one of the most difficult times in my life. Her stories were always something I treasured, along with our martinis and visits. I will miss her dearly. Love you Grandma.

Becky Rambin - May 25, 2017 at 03:56 PM