



Virginia Darleen Butrick

December 1, 1934 - January 4, 2018

Virginia Darleen Butrick, a strong and supportive mother who was devoted to her family and her faith, passed away unexpectedly on January 4, 2018 at her residence in Charlotte. She was born on December 1, 1934 to Glenn and Ruth (Schleicher) Richey in Holt, MI. She attended Okemos High School, where she loved to sing in the choir, graduating in 1951.

On July 20, 1968 she married Merle Butrick in Lansing, MI. Together they raised their five daughters on their farm outside of Charlotte. As a homemaker Virginia said she "tried to do and be what God would want me to be for my family and my faith." She loved to sew for her family making appliquéd quilts for all her grandchildren. She even had the talent to make porcelain dolls for some. Summers would find her tending a vast garden to provide for her family throughout the year. She believed that "Home made is best." Her faith in God was demonstrated through her love for her faith and as an active member of Chester Gospel Church.

Virginia is survived by her five daughters, Debbie (Jim) Myers, of Osseo, Dawn (Ernie) Ray, of Ada, Dianna (David) Laverdiere, of Charlotte, Darla (Mike) Hibbard, of Howell, and Dorothy (Kevin) Wenger, of Mt Pleasant, Iowa; 14 grandchildren; 10 great-grandchildren; three brothers, Douglas (Dorothy) Richey of Mason, Bruce Richey of Grand Ledge, and Garth (Jan) Richey of Oregon. Virginia was predeceased by her husband Merle Eugene Butrick, two

granddaughters Kristen Hundt, and Betsy Ray; two sisters, Violet Richey, and Crystal Schermorhorn, and three brothers, Fred Richey, Clare Richey, and Vernon Richey.

The family will receive visitors Tuesday, January 9, 2018 6:00 to 9:00 PM at Pray Funeral Home, Charlotte, MI. Funeral services are Wednesday, January 10th, 2018, 11:00 AM, at the Chester Gospel Church, Charlotte, with Pastor Marc Livingston, officiating. Burial will take place in the Gresham Cemetery.

If desired, the family suggests memorial to Iski Ministry (Jason and Nissae Williamson). The family is in the care of Pray Funeral Home, Charlotte. Family and friends are encouraged to share remembrances and condolences online in Virginia's Tribute Page at www.prayfuneral.com.

Cemetery Details

Gresham Cemetery

4100 Mulliken Rd
Charlotte, MI 48813

Previous Events

Visitation

JAN **9**. 6:00 PM - 9:00 PM (ET)

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

Funeral Ceremony

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

Chester Gospel Church
3744 W. Vermontville Hwy
Charlotte, MI 48813

Tribute Wall



“ *Pray Funeral Home, Inc created a Tribute Video in memory of Virginia Darleen Butrick*



Pray Funeral Home, Inc. - January 08, 2018 at 06:09 PM



“ *We are very sorry to hear about your Mom. We're here for you. Your Friends at the Brighton District Library*

Dana Wehrly - January 11, 2018 at 08:07 AM

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“ *Dawn, I'm so very sorry for your loss of your Mother. My thoughts and prayers are with you and your family. Brenda Slater*

Brenda Slater - January 10, 2018 at 07:53 AM



“ 29 files added to the album *Life Tributes*



Pray Funeral Home, Inc. - January 08, 2018 at 05:05 PM



“ *Debbie, Dawn, Diana, Darla, Dorothy, Your Mom was a very special lady! She was so proud of her family! I fell so lucky to have gotten to know all of you & had the pleasure of cutting your hair years ago. Love to you all, Carol LaCross*

Carol LaCross - January 08, 2018 at 02:36 PM



“ *Pretty Please was purchased for the family of Virginia Darleen Butrick .*



January 08, 2018 at 02:21 PM



“ *Medium Dish Garden was purchased for the family of Virginia Darleen Butrick .*



January 08, 2018 at 11:55 AM



“ *Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum was purchased for the family of Virginia Darleen Butrick .*



January 08, 2018 at 10:30 AM



“ *Debbie, Dawn, Diana, Darla, Dorothy
Your mother named me when my mother Barbara Jean Jones (Fish) first brought me home. Jenny was what we called her. Her and Merle are up there with my mom and dad Barb and Don now. the last time I saw her was when her and Dawn came to mom's funeral. I will keep all of you in my prayers. I know how hard it is to lose a mom and a dad as I lost both of mine within 1 year and 29 days apart of each other. Just know that Jenny is well taken care of by GOD and now she can rest in peace knowing that she raised all of you, right.*

Thank you Jenny for being part of my life even if it was during my younger years. I can still here your voice, you laughter and your singing.

Tamara J Chamberlin (Mason, MI)

Tamara Chamberlin - January 08, 2018 at 07:53 AM

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“ Tamara Chamberlin lit a candle in memory of Virginia Darleen Butrick



Tamara Chamberlin - January 08, 2018 at 07:48 AM



“ Beautiful in Blue was purchased for the family of Virginia Darleen Butrick .



January 07, 2018 at 07:34 PM



“ Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum was purchased for the family of Virginia Darleen Butrick .



January 06, 2018 at 08:30 PM

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“ Bob & Carol Stanley lit a candle in memory of Virginia Darleen Butrick



Bob & Carol Stanley - January 06, 2018 at 03:01 PM



“ *Divine Peace Bouquet was purchased for the family of Virginia Darleen Butrick .*



January 06, 2018 at 10:54 AM



“ *From Vicki Andress purchased the Pretty Please for the family of Virginia Darleen Butrick .*



From Vicki Andress - January 06, 2018 at 09:31 AM



“ *Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum was purchased for the family of Virginia Darleen Butrick .*



January 06, 2018 at 08:12 AM



“ *Full Of Love Bouquet was purchased for the family of Virginia Darleen Butrick .*



January 05, 2018 at 08:28 PM