



Betty Jane White

July 28, 1924 - October 13, 2023

Betty Jane White (Calkins) age 99, of Kalkaska passed away peacefully on Friday, October 13, 2023.

She was born to the late Fay and Ila (Kimball) Calkins in McBain, Michigan on July 28, 1924.

Betty married James F. White on November 15, 1941, in Lapeer, Michigan. He preceded her in passing in November of 2021. She is survived by all her eight children, Michael (Lani) White, Alan (Lina) White, Carl (Esther) White, Jeffery White, Brian (Luanne) White, Susan (Randy) Hopkins, Peggy (James) Sowulewski, and Lisa (James) Ramsberger.

Also surviving twenty grandchildren, seventeen great-grandchildren, and 6 great-great grandchildren, and one more great-great grandchild on the way.

She was preceded in passing by two sisters Virginia Boshaw, and Connie Twigg; and one grandson Christopher Miller.

Betty was a Den mother to Cub Scouts while living in Almont and Standish. She was also associated with the Democratic Party, as a secretary to the Arenac and Kalkaska County Democratic Parties. Living in Standish, she was employed by an Automotive Harnessing Company for fourteen years.

After moving to Kalkaska, she crocheted many afghans for family. She helped

care for her parents, Fay and Ila Calkin and her aunt Alice Nave.

Betty joined the Genealogy Group, and she researched four cemeteries and recorded them for books. Her final accomplishment was to research and copy four family's genealogy, the White, Calkins, Kimball, and Sutton. These were also made into books for family.

The family will receive friends on Saturday, October 21, 2023, at 10:00 a.m. at Wolfe-O'Neill Funeral Home. A funeral service will take place at 11:00 a.m. at the funeral home.

Interment will follow in Garfield Township Cemetery.

Arrangements provided by Wolfe-O'Neill Funeral Home, our family serving yours.

Cemetery Details

Garfield Township Cemetery

Previous Events

Visitation

OCT **21**. 10:00 AM - 11:00 AM (ET)

Wolfe-O'Neill Funeral Home
106 S. Cherry
Kalkaska, MI 49646
(231) 258-5121
<https://www.wolfeoneill.com/>

Service

OCT **21**. 11:00 AM - 12:00 PM (ET)

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Tribute Wall

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“ I Miss and love you so much GMA, you will always be remembered and in my heart forever. My Gma was one of the best hearted, loving caring people I've ever known and I am so blessed to have known her and greatly honored that she is my GMA. She never judged anyone, seen good in many and believed in second chances, (that is if you want it and try hard enough.) She always had the best advice and had the biggest heart. I will truly miss you my GMA I love you so much 💜 Amanda Marie



Amanda - November 17, 2023 at 12:14 AM

DS

“ Deborah Snyder lit a candle in memory of Betty Jane White



Deborah Snyder - October 24, 2023 at 08:46 PM



“ Serene Retreat was purchased for the family of Betty Jane White.



October 17, 2023 at 06:26 AM

KD

“ KGS-Melanie Pauch, Richard Otto, DennisHorton purchased the Peaceful White Lilies Basket for the family of Betty Jane White.



KGS-Melanie Pauch, Richard Otto, DennisHorton - October 16, 2023 at 08:17 PM

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“ KGS-Melanie Pauch, Richard Otto, DennisHorton planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Betty Jane White.

KGS-Melanie Pauch, Richard Otto, DennisHorton - October 16, 2023 at 08:17 PM



“ Lily and Rose Tribute Spray was purchased for the family of Betty Jane White.



October 14, 2023 at 07:34 PM



“ A [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) was planted in honor of Betty Jane White.

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“ *Fiery Lily and Rose was purchased for the family of Betty Jane White.*



October 13, 2023 at 06:32 PM