



Donna L. Hillman

October 14, 1929 - October 8, 2025

Donna Hillman, 95, of Kalkaska, passed away on October 8, 2025 at Kalkaska Eden Center. She was born on October 14, 1929 in Cadillac to the late Milton and Lillie (Gillow) Haines. Donna moved to Pontiac in 1948 where she met and married Maurice Hillman on February 26, 1949. They lived in Pontiac for 7 years where they were raising 4 children until moving to Drayton Plains. Donna was a Girl Scout Leader and waitress for many years. After moving to White Lake she was also a 4-H leader. Together the family moved to the Kalkaska area in spring of 1971. Donna decided to get her real estate license and worked as an agent for 30 plus years before retiring. Hobbies included euchre, bingo, and bowling. Donna was a devoted member of St. Mary of the Woods Catholic Church. She loved being with her family, grandchildren and great-grandchildren.

Surviving Donna are her children, Geraldine DeMars and Ken (Jen) Hillman, daughter-in-law, Betty Hillman, all of Kalkaska; 10 grandchildren; 37 great-grandchildren; and 2 great-great-grandchildren; and an abundance of nieces and nephews. Preceding Donna in death is her husband of over 50 years, Maurice; her children, Patricia Lundsford and Greg Hillman; her siblings, Perry Haines, Willard Haines, Devere Haines; Charles Haines, Margaret Sylvia, Eva Haines, Gladys Budnick, Mary Alice Scott, Alveria Carey, Lois Servis and Lynn Schenk. Visitation will be on Tuesday, October 14th from 5:00 - 7:00 pm at Wolfe-O'Neill Funeral Home. Mass of Christian Burial will be on Wednesday at 11:00 am at St. Mary of the Woods Catholic Church. Burial at St. Mary of

the Woods Catholic Cemetery. Arrangements are made by Wolfe-O'Neill
Funeral Home, our family serving yours.

Previous Events

Visitation

OCT **14.** 5:00 PM - 7:00 PM (ET)

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

Mass of Christian Burial

OCT **15.** 11:00 AM (ET)

St. Mary of the Woods Catholic Church
438 Co Rd 612
Kalkaska, MI 49646

Tribute Wall

KH

“ Ken & Ginette Haines purchased the Arrive in Style for the family of Donna L. Hillman.



Ken & Ginette Haines - October 14, 2025 at 11:48 AM

MR

“ What a beautiful soul! What an honor to have been blessed to visit Donna on occasion. To be in her presence was to feel God's love for people. We can only imagine the celebration awaiting for such a "Here I am Lord " woman, as she entered into eternity..

Mary Ritchie - October 13, 2025 at 05:19 PM



“ Peaceful White Lilies Basket was purchased for the family of Donna L. Hillman.



October 13, 2025 at 08:12 AM

RO

“ I met Maurice & Donna shortly after they move to Kalkaska. They were both warm and outgoing folks and easy to converse with. They became quite active in our community. I am sorry to hear of Donna's passing. She lived a good long life. My sincere sympathy to all her family. Enjoy all the memories she has left Y'All with. May God Bless each of you!
Patty Rodgers

Rodgers - October 12, 2025 at 11:01 PM

EH

“ Earlene H. planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Donna L. Hillman.

Earlene H. - October 12, 2025 at 12:19 PM

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“ Earlene H. purchased the Peaceful White Lilies Basket for the family of Donna L. Hillman.



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