



Geraldine "Gerry" Leah Birgy

February 10, 1950 - March 7, 2016

Geraldine Leah "Gerry" Birgy passed away in Traverse City on Monday March 7th, 2016; surrounded by her devoted family and close friends. Gerry was born on February 10th, 1950 in Dayton, OH and was the daughter of Clark and Margaret (Campbell) Cleary. Gerry started working as a local bank teller at the age of 18 and made that a career for over 20 years; she eventually retired from the Kalkaska Public School System. Gerry additionally served on 2 different school boards for over 16 years and was involved with the inception / structure of what became Forest Area Consolidated Schools in 1976. Gerry treasured spending time with family and friends, taking annual trips to Michigan's Upper Peninsula, reading, scrapbooking and baking. Gerry was very well known for her pies, cakes, breads and "Grandma Gerry" brownies. In her senior year of high school, Gerry competed in the Miss Kalkaska Pageant, winning the title of Mrs. Congeniality; which was a characteristic she encompassed for her entire life. Gerry was the type of person who lit up a room with her infectious smile, her love and hugs; and was a 2nd Mom or "Grandma Gerry" to hundreds of kids through the years. Gerry is survived by her sons Paul V Birgy and Brian R Birgy, and granddaughter Taylor R Birgy; all of Kalkaska. Gerry was preceded in death by her parents, her sister Sharon Wells and brother James Cleary. Visitation will be on Friday March 11th from 5:00 PM – 9:00 PM at Wolfe-O'Neill Funeral Home in Kalkaska. A one hour visitation will take place on Saturday March 12th from 10:00 AM – 11:00 AM; with funeral services taking place at 11:00 AM. A

luncheon will immediately follow at the Kalkaska Church of Christ, located at 1725 W Kalkaska Rd NW. Burial will be at the Evergreen Cemetery in Kalkaska Township later in the spring. Memorials may be given to the Kalkaska Public Schools - Central Office c/o Gerry "Grandma Gerry" Birgy Memorial Scholarship 315 S. Coral St. Kalkaska, MI 49646 Arrangements were made by Wolfe-O'Neill Funeral Home, our family serving yours.

Tribute Wall



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