



Bernice Ellen Murray

April 12, 1939 - September 8, 2021

Bernice Ellen Murray of Cadillac passed away Wednesday, September 8, 2021 at Munson Medical Center in Traverse City. She was 82.

Bernice was born April 12, 1939 in Falmouth to Frank S. and Hedwig Ann (Rohn) VanHaitsma.

She graduated high school and attended Baptist Bible College in Springfield, Missouri. Bernice worked at Cadillac Rubber and Plastics, now known as Avon Rubber and Plastics before retiring.

Bernice enjoyed various crafts: embroidery, card making, diamond art, sewing, making purses and scrapbooking. She also enjoyed spending time outdoors and gardening. Bernice was a great cook and also enjoyed shopping. She was involved in 4H and Bible Study was a large part of her life. She had attended Church of Discovery, Cherry Grove Church of the Nazarene and had been a long time member of Cadillac Revival Center.

She is survived by her children: Kent (Stacy) Altman of Cadillac, Ellen (John) Cicchelli of Logansport, Indiana, Marjorie (Steven) Barrett of Cadillac; 11 grandchildren; 23 great-grandchildren; siblings: Roger (Evelyn) VanHaitsma of Tustin, Robert (Jeannie) VanHaitsma of Plainwell, Dennis (Anita) VanHaitsma, Loa (Michael) Dunn all of Dry Ridge, Kentucky, Virginia Schut and Vivian

Adkins both of Cadillac.

Bernice was preceded in death by her parents; a granddaughter, Ashley and a great-grandson, Spencer.

Memorial services will be held 1:00 PM Saturday, September 25, 2021 at the Revival Center of Cadillac with Pastor Will Markham officiating. Friends may meet the family one hour prior to the service at church. Her final resting place will be Falmouth Cemetery in Missaukee County.

Memorials contributions may be made to Revival Center Food Bank. An online guestbook is available at www.petersonfh.com.

Tribute Wall

DV

“ So sorry for your loss, I wish we hadn't list touch.

Donna, Herman and Carol VanHaitsma - October 23, 2021 at 05:39 PM

BW

“ Aunt Bernice, we miss you here, but you are in a beautiful place. I have fond memories of visiting and staying at your place both as a child (playing with the cousins) and as an adult (bringing my own kids even). You were always up for some fun times, especially with family. Thank you for great memories and blessing us with your love of God and that perfect smile.

Bev (Adkins) Wright - September 28, 2021 at 03:38 AM

CA

“ Bernice you were such an amazing lady, I never ever saw you without a smile and such a sweet sweet personality; you were so full of love for our Jesus and for people to know Him as their personal Savior. So glad I got to talk to you and spend time with you at Bobs Birthday party, you had so much fun. I am so glad we r sisters in Christ and will see each other some day again.

Cindy Apps - September 24, 2021 at 07:31 PM

KR

“ I love you, Grandma. Missing you like crazy.

Kristin - September 10, 2021 at 06:53 AM

BS

“ We were blessed to know and love her. She joined our family at BEAM of Hope in December 2020. She gave all that she had to everyone...at Christmas she wanted to do something special just from her to me, she gave me a neck/ shoulder massage. Let me tell you... that was the best gift ever! Little is much, when God is in it! Bernice and I attended the same bible college in Missouri, although many years apart. It was an experience that we instantly connected. God gave her that joyful spirit to bring him glory... and she certainly did her best not to disappoint the Lord. Our home is mourning right now...our hearts are broken, but we're happy for Bernice. She's singing praises face to face with our Lord...I can just see her radiant smile and I know she feels complete in the presence of our savior. Bernice will be missed but never forgotten. We all loved her. My heart felt sympathies to her very very supportive family, she was loved dearly by many.

Brenda Sue Smith - September 10, 2021 at 06:46 AM