



## L. Marlene (Zuidema) Goff

April 7, 1937 - July 27, 2018

L. Marlene (Zuidema) Goff passed away Friday, July 27, 2018 at the Samaritas Senior Living Center in Cadillac, MI, from severe Dementia. She was 81.

Marlene was born April 7, 1937 in Grand Rapids, MI to Karel and Lillian Zuidema who have preceded her in passing. The family moved to Holt, MI where Marlene attended Elementary through High School graduating in 1955. She attended Lansing Community College, later performing secretarial work at Gulf Oil Company in Lansing, MI. She spent most of her working time as a Legal Secretary for the Sinus Law Firm.

On July 9, 1960 she married her husband of 58 years, Kenneth L. Goff of Lansing, MI. They were married at the Holt Presbyterian Church where Marlene had been a member since childhood.

Surviving is her husband, Ken, her son Ken Jr. and daughter Lisa Thompson. She leaves 5 loving grandchildren; Matthew, Adam and Meagan Goff, Everett and Ian Thompson. Also, surviving are two sisters, Dean Hefty and Sandra Jones and two brothers Carl and Jake Zuidema.

Marlene was a stay at home mother until the children finished school. After that she worked as a Part Time Merchandiser for the Wrigley Company until Ken and Marlene retired together.

Due to a company transfer in 1971 the family moved to Hudsonville, MI, where they were members of Fellowship Reformed Church for 43 years.

In 2014, Marlene and Ken moved to a condo on Lake Cadillac. Marlene loved fishing and has a trophy 15 1/2 lb Northern Pike hanging on the wall. She also loved going to the family property by Tustin, MI walking or riding the ATV in the woods.

Funeral services will be held 10:30 AM Monday, July 30, 2018 at Peterson Funeral and Cremation Services, 205 East Cass Street, Cadillac, Michigan with the Cadillac Area Honor Guard Chaplain, Pastor James Helmboldt officiating. Marlene's final resting place will be Fort Custer National Cemetery in Augusta, Michigan. Friends may meet the family from 3-5 PM Sunday at the funeral Home.

Memorial contributions may be made to the Cadillac Area Honor Guard. An online guestbook is available at [www.petersonfh.com](http://www.petersonfh.com).

# Tribute Wall

Jl

“ God be with you at this difficult time. You have my sincere sympathy. Joan

Joan Irvine - July 31, 2018 at 10:40 PM

LS

“ Very sorry to hear of Marlene's passing. Amy let me know about it yesterday afternoon. (Monday, July 30) Praying for the whole family during this difficult time. God's peace be with you all. Much Love Linda Slager

Linda Slager - July 31, 2018 at 08:42 AM

GR

“ Heaven just got another Angel, will miss our talks on the phone and card playing. Ken and Family our condolences to everyone.

Galen and Ilah Rosher - July 28, 2018 at 04:38 PM

CN

“ my condolences to ken & family. marlene was a wonderful and dear friend

clete van nocker - July 28, 2018 at 04:05 PM

WG

“ Marlene and I (Wilma) were friends throughout our school days. We are glad we were able to be friends with Marlene and Ken over the past 60 years. We send our condolences to Ken and the rest of the family.

Wilma and Bob Groenleer - July 28, 2018 at 12:51 PM

MP

“ To Lisa and an and Everett.Hugs and prayers for you and all your family. Your memories are treasures. Mom/ Grandma' s spirit remains in your heart- Love Never Dies and God Never Leaves your side.  
Peace!9bb

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**Mary Kay Potyraj** - July 28, 2018 at 09:00 AM

TO

“ A sweet and gentle person, Marlene will be missed. Thinking of you and your family, Ken, at this heartbreaking time.

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**Tim & Mary O'Neill** - July 28, 2018 at 07:15 AM

JB

“ Ken Jr is our brother in law. We remember Marlene' s beautiful smile. She was an elegant lady full of grace wnd charm. Her fishing trophy reflects the joy she found in living.

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**Jilaine and Gary Bauer** - July 27, 2018 at 08:58 PM