



Laurie Helen Reisenauer

December 4, 1937 - July 19, 2021

Laurie Helen Reisenauer passed away peacefully in her home in Holly, Michigan on July 19, 2021 at the age of 83.

Laurie was an only child, born to her beloved mother, Helen Amelia Allinger and father, Benjamin James. She had an amazing childhood roaming the Rocky Mountains with her many cousins, of which Jody Jacobshagen was like a sister to her.

She married the first love of her life, Gerald Reisenauer, on June 9, 1956. They raised three amazing children, Pamela Ruth, Gary Patrick and Sharon Laurie in Kenosha, Wisconsin.

Laurie spent her early years as a traditional homemaker. She enjoyed sewing and would often give her crafts to those in need. Laurie grew beautiful flower gardens and freely shared her green thumb tips.

Laurie met many people who quickly became friends before retiring from Jockey International in Kenosha where she supervised the sample department.

After Gerald passed away in 1993, Laurie enjoyed going to Dinner theater events with her sister-in-law, Dorothy Reisenauer Thomas.

In 1998 Laurie left Kenosha to join her youngest daughter, Sharon, in Holly, Michigan where she was blessed to meet the 2nd love of her life, Leonard Bentley, and gained the love of Leonard's 3 beautiful children, Jeff, Kimber and Jodi. Together Len and Laurie had 23 wonderful years together. Laurie loved her afternoon rides through the country and spending time at home with her cats and also with the help of Barb Stilwell, Laurie was welcomed into the Holly Dollies Red Hatters.

Laurie is survived by her companion of 23 years, Leonard, son Gary (Rachelle) daughter Sharon (Brad Stilwell). Son-in-law James Zahringer, sister-in-law Dorothy Reisenauer Thomas. Jeff (Krista) Bentley, Kimber (Bruce) Marshall, and Jodi (Mike) VonWihl.

A beloved grandmother to April, Brian (Amber), Amy and Jeremiah (Ali), Amber, Mathew and Adam. A great-grandmother to Gerald, Ashlee (Cody), Patrick, Autumn, Rodrigo, Jaime, Luis, Isabella and Maddox. A great great grandmother to Enzo, Isabelle, Everlee and another on the way, Sophia.

Special nephews and niece Daniel, Colleen and Jeff.

She was preceded in death by her husband Gerald and daughter Pamela Zahringer. According to Laurie's wishes no services will be held. Memorial donations to the Michigan Humane Society.

Comments



“ I'm so sorry to hear of your loss, Sharon and family. Laurie was such a down-to-Earth, friendly person, she never met a stranger. Y'all are in my thoughts and prayers.



Nancy MacKenzie - August 03 at 09:33 PM



“ Marti Addis Goforth lit a candle in memory of Laurie Helen Reisenauer



Marti Addis Goforth - July 24 at 02:33 AM



“ You're off to great places! Today is your day. Your Mountain is waiting, so get on your way...



Jerry Allinger - July 23 at 09:36 PM



“ Pretty Please was purchased for the family of Laurie Helen Reisenauer.



July 22 at 03:34 PM



“ Jean Tony Heron lit a candle in memory of Laurie Helen Reisenauer



Jean Tony Heron - July 21 at 06:45 PM



“ Karin Winchester lit a candle in memory of Laurie Helen Reisenauer



Karin Winchester - July 21 at 01:49 PM



“ So sorry for your loss, thinking of you all!
Teri and Brian Keener

Teri Keener - July 21 at 05:52 AM



“ Janet lit a candle in memory of Laurie Helen Reisenauer



janet - July 20 at 10:05 PM



“ My GG. You will forever be in our hearts, from going down to Michigan for the summer to see you and aunt Sharon when I was a child, To bringing my own children their and I will forever cherish the video of you and my Isabelle singing you are my sunshine. Because of you I will only eat my potato chips with ketchup and everytime I do I think of you and I forever will. I love you GG.



Ashlee Bobick - July 20 at 07:36 PM



“ My dearest grandma,
I'm so thankful I got to visit last summer you will be greatly missed. You've always been my sunshine on some of my darkest days. You were there to hold my hand & sneak me cherry pie while I birthed my 1st child. I remember the great visits to your house where I got to play Atari, a lil organ, beads to craft with from jockey, coloring & little golden books, my favorite tea set in the lil wicker basket I'd play with for hours. The joyful Christmas's, the Barbie clothes you hand made for me. The special chocolate soda that you always put in a special glass. Our trips to Aunt Sharon's for Thanksgiving. You helped me & my family in so many ways. There's so many memories I keep with me. I wish I would of called you more besides birthday & holidays(in these last few years) even just to say I love you (since we both weren't much of phone talkers lol) I know your at peace & that helps my aching heart. You'll forever be my infinity of sunshine, I love you so much. R.I.P grandma!
Love & miss you always 🙏 April



April Ramirez - July 20 at 05:21 PM



“ Laurie was so sweet to be with. She welcomed me with great joy and love into the red hats. Every time we met I always received a nice sweet hug from her. We will miss you dear friend. Kathy (Holly Dollies)

Kathy Bacon - July 20 at 04:38 PM



“ I'm going to miss you so much, you where always my sunshine on some of my darkest day. You where there to hold my hand & sneak me cherry pie during my birth with Jerald. I have so many great memories of coming to visit when I was younger, playing the lil organ,artari, beads you'd bring me from your job at jockey to make stuff. The Barbie clothes you hand made. Thanksgiving trips to aunt Sharons, Chocolate soda(I've nvr been able to find) & you always put it in a special cup. You helped me financially with my family, from cars to a new fridge & sometimes just because. I called you every birthday & most holidays but I should of called more these past few years. I was so excited to see you last summer & am so great full I was able to.
Rest easy my Angel, you're forever my sunshine.... With infinitive love always:
Your granddaughter April

April Ramirez - July 20 at 04:35 PM



“ April Ramirez lit a candle in memory of Laurie Helen Reisenauer



April Ramirez - July 20 at 04:22 PM