



## Berniece M. Alexander

August 15, 1932 - December 16, 2019

Berniece M. Alexander, age 87, of Holly died Mon. Dec. 16, 2019. Funeral Mass will be celebrated at 11:00 AM Fri. Dec. 20, 2019 at St. Rita Catholic Church of Holly with Father David Blazek, Celebrant. Burial will be in Lakeside Cemetery, Holly. Visitation will be from 2-9 PM Thurs. and a Rosary prayer at 7 PM Thurs. at the Dryer Funeral Home, Holly. Mrs. Alexander was born in Trempealeau, Wisconsin on Aug. 15, 1932 to William and Florence (Brum) Hohlfeld. She was a former Holly Township Treasurer, serving for 35 1/2 years. She was a member of St. Rita Catholic Church, Holly Youth Assistance, and the Holly American Legion Auxiliary. Her children and grandchildren were the center of her life. Surviving are 4 children, Sandy (Gary) Briggs, Kathy (Mike) Gurnee, Tom (Heather) Alexander, and Kelly Davis; 13 grandchildren; 10 great-grandchildren; sisters Elaine Phelps, Charlotte Jones, and Sharon (Ron) Graw; and brother Ron (Della) Hohlfeld. She was preceded in death by her husband Donald "Slip" Alexander, second husband Kenneth Phelps, 2 sons William and Larry Alexander, and sisters Jeanette Ritter and Arlene Kallenbach. Memorial donations may be made to the Make A Wish Foundation or St. Jude's Children's Hospital. [www.dryerfuneralhomeholly.com](http://www.dryerfuneralhomeholly.com)

# Cemetery Details

## Lakeside Cemetery

Holly, MI

# Previous Events

## Visitation

DEC **19**. 2:00 PM - 9:00 PM (ET)

Dryer Funeral Home  
101 First St  
Holly, MI 48442  
(248) 634-8291

## Rosary

DEC **19**. 7:00 PM (ET)

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101 First St.  
Holly, MI 48442  
<http://dryerfuneralhomeholly.com>

## Service

DEC **20**. 11:00 AM (ET)

St. Rita Catholic Church  
Holly, MI



# Tribute Wall

TL

“ Mrs.Alexander,  
I will always remember you fondly as I was a little boy on Grange Hall Rd.You kept the reins on all of us kids then.I remember you calling us in as it echoed through the woods.I always loved exchanging Christmas cards with you and the little notes inside.I sent you a Christmas card this year that you unfortunately will not be able to open.Rest now Mrs.Alexander.I love you very much!  
R.I.P.  
To all my sincere sympathy goes out to you.  
GOD BLESS  
TIMOTHY LAKE



Timothy Lake - December 20, 2019 at 10:32 AM

KG

Thanks Tim.

Kathy Gurnee - December 21, 2019 at 04:57 PM

OL

“ What a wonderful lady and Brave. We had a wonderful time on Texas with you. Miss you deeply. See you one day.♥♥

Orlene Luke - December 20, 2019 at 09:37 AM

KI

“ Kim Lake Isenhower lit a candle in memory of Berniece M. Alexander



Kim Lake Isenhower - December 19, 2019 at 07:29 PM

SG

“ Sue Gill lit a candle in memory of Berniece M. Alexander



Sue Gill - December 19, 2019 at 03:45 PM

LR

“ Lorne And Penny Winglemire Raupp lit a candle in memory of Berniece M. Alexander



Lorne and Penny Winglemire Raupp - December 19, 2019 at 01:01 PM

SG

*I will always remember Bernice as a Beautiful, Gracious, Humble, and very Loving Lady. A lady I hope I learned to be caring and giving person. Her smile seemed to Always light up the room. I will miss her greatly. I know she is pain free and while again in Heaven with our Lord Jesus Christ !! Merry Christmas in Heaven Bernice !!! Love Sue*

Sue Gill - December 19, 2019 at 03:46 PM

RH

“ Berniece was my big sister but was a lot more than that. She was an inspiration of how to live life, always cheerful in spite of the many tradgadies which she overcame during her life. She was a model of how to be the ideal wife, mother, sister, and friend to all who knew her. She will be welcomed in heaven by all those who were part of her life.

*Her brother, Ron Hohlfeld*

Ron Hohlfeld - December 18, 2019 at 11:13 AM

KG

*Well said Uncle Ron. She was an inspiration and always great to be around. She will be greatly missed here on earth but loved ones in heaven welcomed her there.*

**Kathy Gurnee** - December 19, 2019 at 07:28 AM

SA

“ *Steven Alexander lit a candle in memory of Berniece M. Alexander*



**Steven Alexander** - December 18, 2019 at 10:59 AM

 Gregg Mac

“ *Gregg Mac lit a candle in memory of Berniece M. Alexander*



**Gregg Mac** - December 17, 2019 at 09:17 PM



“ *Beautiful Heart Bouquet was purchased for the family of Berniece M. Alexander.*



December 17, 2019 at 06:27 PM

BJ

*“ I've known "Mrs. Alexander" almost all of my life, I don't think I've ever called her anything else. She was the strongest lady I've ever known. She always had a big hug when you went to see her.. Best hugs ever.. Love all of you and sending love and prayers to you all.*



**Bonnye Johnson** - December 17, 2019 at 06:05 PM

KG

*She loved you and Becky like her daughters. She did give the best hugs and we will miss them.*

**Kathy Gurnee** - December 19, 2019 at 07:32 AM



*“ On behalf of Holly Area Youth Assistance, I want to extend the Board of Directors sincerest condolences to Bernice's family. Bernice gave unselfishly of her time and energy volunteering for HAYA over the years. Whether she was taking notes as the secretary, giving financial reports as the HAYA treasurer, or directing a program she was chairperson of, Bernice always had a smile on her face and a kind word for everyone. She was one wonderful lady.*

**Tena Alvarado** - December 17, 2019 at 04:04 PM

KG

*Thank you. She really enjoyed being a part of HAYA.*

**Kathy Gurnee** - December 19, 2019 at 07:35 AM

BT

“ *Bill and Deanna Thorn and family and Barb Toman purchased the Beautiful Heart Bouquet for the family of Berniece M. Alexander.*



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**Bill and Deanna Thorn and family and Barb Toman** -  
December 17, 2019 at 01:39 PM

BL

“ *We are so sorry to hear of your loss. Bob has so many wonderful memories of your mom as he was growing up.  
You all are in our thoughts and prayers*



*Bob and Kay Lacey*

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**Bob and Kay Lacey** - December 17, 2019 at 12:46 PM

KW

“ *Karin Winchester lit a candle in memory of Berniece M. Alexander*



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**Karin Winchester** - December 17, 2019 at 11:19 AM

TA

“ *The team at Complete Automation purchased the Beautiful in Blue for the family of Berniece M. Alexander.*



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**The team at Complete Automation** - December 17, 2019 at  
11:03 AM

CA

“ *Andrew and family - so very sorry for your loss. The team at Complete Automation*

Complete Automation - December 17, 2019 at 10:48 AM

EU

“ *Mrs. Alexander was my Confirmation Sponsor. Her daughter, Sandy, was a good friend of mine. Her husband, Don, rescued my sister and brother, Janet & Ronnie, when they fell through the upstairs floor onto the basement floor when building addition to our house. Everyone loved her. She will certainly be missed. Thoughts and prayers to her family. Eugenia Reed*

Eugenia - December 16, 2019 at 09:49 PM

EU

“ *Eugenia lit a candle in memory of Berniece M. Alexander*



Eugenia - December 16, 2019 at 09:47 PM

MO

“ *I babysat her kids quite a bit years ago. Lived across the road. WOW Good times. God bless all the family.*

Mary Liscom Olson - December 16, 2019 at 09:43 PM



“ *Connie Austin-Davis lit a candle in memory of Berniece M. Alexander*



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**Connie Austin-Davis** - December 16, 2019 at 06:54 PM

SB

“ *I remember family gatherings and some silly story being told, then Aunt Berniece would exclaim "Oh my stars!" Once when I was baby sitting Tommy got the little green end off the orange and I thought he must have swallowed it. I was upset and told Auntie to watch for it. She just laughed and thought it was funny. To this day I don't know if it was found but she would remind me of the incident every time babysitting came up in conversation. I loved your cheerfulness and pray you will rest in peace.*  
*Love,*  
*Shirley and Ron.*

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**Shirley Brendel** - December 16, 2019 at 06:47 PM

GT

“ *I am sorry for your loss.....I was blessed to know Aunt Berniece my entire life...May she Rest In Peace 🙏🙏 I have known all her children for their entire lives, I know she was well loved and will be missed ❤️*

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**gloria toth** - December 16, 2019 at 05:15 PM