



## Bertha F. Watson

November 5, 1936 - April 28, 2023

Bertha Watson, age 86, passed away on April 28, 2023 at Genesys Hospital with her family. Bertha was born in Niles, Ohio on November 5, 1936 to Louis and Helen Hackes. She lived in Niles until 1953, then moved to Sacramento, California. In 1955 she graduated from Inglewood High School. In 1956 Bertha married James E. Watson, who at the time was in the United States Navy. They lived 2 years in Hawaii, then in 1958 moved to National City, California. In 1967 they moved to Holly, Michigan, where Bertha worked for the Holly Elementary School in the Cafeteria until she retired. Bertha and James were married 56 years until his death in 2012. She enjoyed being involved in her Church and hobbies of sewing and knitting. Bertha was a much loved wife, mother, grandmother, sister-in law, aunt. She is survived by her sons, Frank (Janet) Watson, of Fenton, Michigan. Paul Watson of Floresville, Texas and 3 grandchildren Kim Bonner of Christiansburg, Virginia, Ryan and Jane Bonner of Ann Arbor, Michigan, John Bonner of Howell, Michigan. Sister-in law Jeanette Patterson and son Bobbie, Jacksonville, Florida. Visitation will be May 4, 2-7 p.m. and Funeral Service, May 5, 11 a.m. at Dryer Funeral Home. Burial will be at Lakeside Cemetery of Holly.

# Cemetery Details

## Lakeside Cemetery

Holly, MI

# Previous Events

## Visitation

**MAY 4.** 2:00 PM - 7:00 PM (ET)

DryerFuneral Home, Inc.  
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## Funeral Service

**MAY 5.** 11:00 AM (ET)

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# Tribute Wall



“ *Dryer Funeral Home created a Tribute Video in memory of Bertha F. Watson*



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**Dryer Funeral Home, Inc.** - May 05, 2023 at 09:15 AM

JF

“ *I'm sad to see that Mrs. Watson has passed. She and Mr Watson were a big part of my Jr High and High School years, as their son Paul and I were best friends. She was always more pleasant and tolerant of our goings-on than she probably had a right to be. While I haven't seen her in many, many years, I can't think back on my childhood days without thoughts of her being very far away.*

*Rest well.*

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**Jim Ferris** - July 05, 2023 at 09:28 AM



“ *Country Basket Blooms was purchased for the family of Bertha F. Watson.*



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May 04, 2023 at 10:04 AM

JP

“ *Bertha was a good Neighbor, her and Jimmy lived here by us for several years. She always had a smile on her face. Didn't matter if she was working in the yard or walking her dog Lucy. We sometimes walked our dogs together. I will truly miss my Friend and her Dog. Rest in Peace my dear friend you are now back with Jimmy again just as you always said you would unite with him again in Heaven.*

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**Julie & Dick Parker** - May 03, 2023 at 06:28 PM

DS

“ I loved chatting with Bertha. Jimmie was my mom's first cousin and we were very close to Aunt Phyllis. We were all together at their house and I made a joke. Bertha looked at me and said "There is no way you are related to this family!" We both cracked up and always laughed about it. She'll be missed.

Debbie Studards - May 03, 2023 at 09:21 AM

KJ

“ Kimberly Johnston lit a candle in memory of Bertha Watson



Kimberly Johnston - May 03, 2023 at 07:06 AM



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Dryer Funeral Home, Inc. - May 02, 2023 at 01:36 PM



“ Connie Austin-Davis lit a candle in memory of Bertha F. Watson



Connie Austin-Davis - April 30, 2023 at 07:45 AM