



## Bonnie L. Gillespie

November 25, 1926 - March 1, 2016

Bonnie L. Gillespie, age 89, formerly of Holly, died Tues. March 1, 2016. Memorial services will be held at 1:00 PM Mon. March 7, 2016 at the Dryer Funeral Home, Holly, with Father David Blazek officiating. Visitation will be from 2-5 and 7-9 PM Sunday. Mrs. Gillespie was born in Flint on Nov. 25, 1926, the daughter of Gordon and Marguerite (Potter) LaFave. She graduated from Fenton High School, where she held several track records which remained unbroken until just recently and during high school, she worked at Kelly's Soda Fountain in Fenton. After high school, she moved to Detroit and worked for Michigan Bell. During WWII, she trained with the Civil Air Patrol. Mrs. Gillespie was a volunteer of the Red Cross for many years and was also a volunteer at the Buick Open for many years. After her children were older, she also worked at Mt. Holly and the Holly Volunteer Ambulance. Surviving are 5 children, Therese Gillis of Clarkston, Roger (Marge) Gillespie Jr. of NM, Daniel (fiancée Judy) Gillespie of Ann Arbor, Onalee (Don) Carnes of Harrison, and Karen (Quinn) Slack of Costa Rica; 11 grandchildren; and 7 great-grandchildren. She was preceded in death by her husband Roger Gillespie Sr., granddaughter Hollie Gillespie, great-grandchild Julian, brother Burton LaFave, and sister Onalee LaFave. Memorial donations may be made to the American Red Cross. [www.dryerfuneralhomeholly.com](http://www.dryerfuneralhomeholly.com)

# Cemetery Details

## Oakwood Cemetery

Davis St  
Fenton, MI 48430

# Previous Events

## Visitation

MAR 6. 2:00 PM - 5:00 PM (ET)

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

## Visitation

MAR 6. 7:00 PM - 9:00 PM (ET)

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## Service

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MAR 7. 1:00 PM (ET)

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# Tribute Wall

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“ I am so sorry to hear of your dear Mother's passing. Our deepest sympathy to all of you.  
Jerry and Elaine Smith



Elaine Smith - March 17, 2016 at 10:12 AM

DD

“ Dave Duff lit a candle in memory of Bonnie L. Gillespie



Dave Duff - March 07, 2016 at 02:16 PM



“ Florist Choice Bouquet was purchased for the family of Bonnie L. Gillespie.



March 04, 2016 at 12:23 PM

JB

“ Our thoughts and prayers are with your family during this difficult time.

John and CJ Brummeler

john brummeler - March 04, 2016 at 10:09 AM

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*Dear Terry, Roger, Onalee, and Karen, I always admired so much your parents: they obviously enjoyed working together and being together throughout their marriage, and they raised 4 beautiful children. I remember visiting when Roger was first building the home you were all raised in, and later, Roger was still fixing it up after you had long left home, building raised flower beds for Bonnie! I never knew she was a track star! She was 10 years older than me, and I remember staying overnight with my Aunt Marguerite and Uncle Hank when I was a little girl (they had a house where the bank is now on Caroline Street) and getting into Bonnie's nail polish! I tried to hide it, but the red nails were a dead give away! Love to all of you, Mary Lynn  
PS: Sorry I can't attend the memorial, but we live in North Carolina.*

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**Mary Lynn Dolza Grigni** - March 06, 2016 at 07:23 AM