



## Cari Michelle Oldenburg

August 20, 1967 - March 19, 2018

Cari Michelle Oldenburg, 50, of Holly MI, passed away peacefully in her sleep at home surrounded by her family on March 19, 2018.

Services will be held at Dryer Funeral Home in Holly, MI with visitation on Thursday, March 22, 2018 from 2p-9p and funeral services on Friday, March 23, 2018 at 11am which is being officiated by a dear family friend, Beth Gentner.

Cari was born on August 20, 1967 to John and Shirley Keasey. Cari graduated from Holly High School and received her Associates Degree in Business from Baker College. On October 3, 1992, Cari married her soulmate and love of her life, Buster (Lawrence) Oldenburg and together were blessed with their loving, beautiful daughter Lauren Ashley on August 21, 1996.

Cari worked as an administrative assistant for the Linden School system which she began in 2002. She was highly appreciated, well respected, loved and will be missed dearly as Cari was always passionate about making a difference in the lives of the faculty, students and parents she interacted with daily.

Cari is survived by her husband Buster (Lawrence) Oldenburg; their daughter, Lauren and her fiance` Jordan Scheid; her grandmother Elsie Hansen; her parents John and Shirley (Hansen) Keasey; her sister Shari (Anthony) Welton and their two daughters Logan and Leighton; a girlfriend who joined the family who grew to be the other sister, Lisa (David) Springsteen and their two children Joshua and Elizabeth; her mother-in-law Judy Oldenburg; her

brother-in-law Mark (Sandra) Oldenburg and their two daughters Kaitlyn and Megan; her sister-in-law Michele (Brian) Kozlowicz and their two children Mitchell and Olivia, along with other loving family members and friends.

In lieu of flowers, you may donate to Residential Hospice at [www.residentialhospice.com](http://www.residentialhospice.com) or to Pink Ribbon Riders, 5420 Beckley Rd., Suite 334, Battle Creek, MI 49015 in remembrance of our beautiful Cari.

The family would like to share their deepest gratitude with the dedicated professional Cancer Team at Michigan Medicine and the wonderful Care Team from Residential Hospice who made this difficult time bearable.

# Previous Events

## Visitation

MAR **22**. 2:00 PM - 9:00 PM (ET)

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

## Service

MAR **23**. 11:00 AM (ET)

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# Tribute Wall



“ *Dryer Funeral Home created a Tribute Video in memory of Cari Michelle Oldenburg*



**Dryer Funeral Home, Inc.** - March 21, 2018 at 10:55 AM

TM

*The SMILE of Peace, Happiness & Love...Fly High Cari <3 <3 <3*

**Tina Moore** - March 23, 2018 at 04:47 PM

BB

“ *My memories of Cari is a beautiful lady with an infectious smile. She kept a positive attitude when most others would have given up. Thanks be to God I will see her again.*



**Beverly Bartley** - April 27, 2018 at 11:46 AM

AF

“ *Angie (Bradsher) Filice lit a candle in memory of Cari Michelle Oldenburg*



**Angie (Bradsher) Filice** - March 28, 2018 at 02:08 PM

AF

*With deepest sympathy to your family. :( You are all in my thoughts and prayers. Hugs to you Shari! Angie*

**Angie (Bradsher) Filice** - March 28, 2018 at 02:10 PM

KK

“ *My sincere condolences to your family! Cari was a wonderful person and friend to my sister and our family for about 40 years!*

**Kendall Krause** - March 25, 2018 at 11:08 AM



“ *Heartfelt Memories was purchased for the family of Cari Michelle Oldenburg.*



March 23, 2018 at 09:54 AM

SN

“ *Cari had a way of making you feel like she had known you forever, as well as a great sense of humor to boot! When I was timidly starting in a new position at her building, she was the first person to make me feel welcomed, and that feeling continued! You didn't have to know her long at all to know her warmest and kindness towards others. It was a joy knowing her (anyone who knew her could attest to that)! To this day am so very thankful to have had her friendly face to welcome me every time I went in the front office:-)! I am so sorry for your loss!! I hope the light of her joy stays with you all forever!*

*Stacie Nelson (Central Elementary).*

**Stacie Nelson** - March 22, 2018 at 03:34 PM

MI

*I had the pleasure of getting to know Cari at Linden El. She had a way of brightening my day. Cari was patient and kind. Her laughter, smiles, and encouraging words got me through many days. She is truly missed. My condolences to her family. May you find extra strength and comfort in one another during this sad time.*

Michelle - March 22, 2018 at 11:35 PM

Mary  
Ann  
Podjun

“ *The Podjun family wishes to convey our heartfelt condolences in Cari's passing, and for all the days to come. She was a force for all things good and kind. During our Nathan's Linden HS days she had a positive impact on his character, and as parents we thank her for that. Buster and Lauren, may God comfort you and provide you peace. Shirley and John, you raised quite a girl. Thank you for sharing her. God Bless all.*



Mary Ann Podjun - March 22, 2018 at 02:16 PM



“ *Beautiful Heart Bouquet was purchased for the family of Cari Michelle Oldenburg.*



March 22, 2018 at 01:04 PM

MP

“ We are so very sorry to hear about Cari’s passing. She had such a positive impact on both our girls at school. No matter how crazy the office would get, Cari always made the kids and parents feel like they were well taken care of. Her warm smile, kind voice and huge heart will never be forgotten. She was a wonderful lady and will be truly missed by all. We extend big hugs and prayers to Buster and Lauren and entire family during this difficult time. Rest In Peace sweet Cari. Love, The Petersons

Mary Peterson - March 22, 2018 at 12:38 PM



“ Medium Dish Garden was purchased for the family of Cari Michelle Oldenburg.



March 22, 2018 at 11:35 AM



“ 4 files added to the album LifeTributes



Dryer Funeral Home, Inc. - March 22, 2018 at 08:40 AM

DW

“ To Cari’s wonderful family...Cari was a beautiful woman with a wonderful smile and positive energy unparalleled. She was a brave and steadfast warrior. We are sad she is gone but glad that she no longer suffers any pain. Her spirit will be with us always helping to heal our broken hearts. Rest In Peace sweet Cari.

*Don and Carol Weaver*

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**Don and Carol Weaver** - March 21, 2018 at 07:44 PM

KB

“ I am so very sad to hear of Cari’s passing. I was so blessed to have gotten the opportunity to know her through her time within our clinic. I still have the post-it note she left for me on my desk. Such an incredible woman! Thinking of you all.

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**Kylee Butler** - March 21, 2018 at 06:18 PM

JK

“ Jinx Kincaid lit a candle in memory of Cari Michelle Oldenburg



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**Jinx Kincaid** - March 21, 2018 at 06:15 PM

TF

“ The Central Elementary Family purchased the Pretty Please for the family of Cari Michelle Oldenburg.



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**The Central Elementary Family** - March 21, 2018 at 06:07 PM



“ *Emerald Garden Basket was purchased for the family of Cari Michelle Oldenburg.*



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March 21, 2018 at 11:02 AM



“ *Bob and Sandi Barrett purchased the Full Of Love Bouquet for the family of Cari Michelle Oldenburg.*



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**Bob and Sandi Barrett** - March 21, 2018 at 10:11 AM



“ *22 files added to the album Life Tributes*



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**Dryer Funeral Home, Inc.** - March 21, 2018 at 09:28 AM

MD

“ *So Much Love for such a Beautiful Person  
Inside and Out !!*



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**missy Doyon** - March 20, 2018 at 10:44 PM

DP

“ *Dick and Julie Parker purchased the Medium Dish Garden for the family of Cari Michelle Oldenburg.*



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**Dick and Julie Parker** - March 20, 2018 at 10:20 PM

HF

“ *Heath, Deanna & Maddie Fell purchased the Fair est of All for the family of Cari Michelle Oldenburg.*



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**Heath, Deanna & Maddie Fell** - March 20, 2018 at 10:14 PM

TT

“ *The Hidden Valley Trail Tribe purchased the Beautiful in Blue for the family of Cari Michelle Oldenburg.*



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**The Hidden Valley Trail Tribe** - March 20, 2018 at 08:13 PM



“ *Dawn of Remembrance Basket was purchased for the family of Cari Michelle Oldenburg.*



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March 20, 2018 at 06:16 PM



“ *Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum was purchased for the family of Cari Michelle Oldenburg.*



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March 20, 2018 at 06:02 PM



“ *Cari was a beautiful person who will be missed in so many ways. There are truly not enough days in a life time. Too soon to go. I'm glad to have had the opportunity to know cari and her family.*

*Timothy Marlowe*

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**Tim Marlowe** - March 20, 2018 at 05:47 PM



“ *Pastor Wine's Small Group purchased the Sweet Sincerity for the family of Cari Michelle Oldenburg.*



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**Pastor Wine's Small Group** - March 20, 2018 at 05:03 PM



“ *Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum was purchased for the family of Cari Michelle Oldenburg.*



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March 20, 2018 at 03:06 PM



“ *Mike And Diana Mills lit a candle in memory of Cari Michelle Oldenburg*



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**Mike and Diana Mills** - March 20, 2018 at 02:22 PM



“ *Paula Hansen lit a candle in memory of Cari Michelle Oldenburg*



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**Paula Hansen** - March 20, 2018 at 02:08 PM



“ *Cari was a beautiful soul, we loved her so very much, everyone who knew her did. It is hard to believe Cari hosted Thanksgiving at her beautiful new built home. She is out of pain and with the Lord now. She will be forever missed. Love, Uncle Jim and Aunt Paula.*

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**Paula Hansen** - March 20, 2018 at 02:06 PM



“ *Lovely One Spathiphyllum Plant was purchased for the family of Cari Michelle Oldenburg.*



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March 20, 2018 at 01:15 PM



“ *Cari was someone very special to me at Linden Schools. We would share stories about anything and everything. We went through sorrowful moments. The two of us went thru moments of happiness and laughter. Cari held herself as a rock of strength and support for me. May God Bless her and provide with everything she wishes for now and forever.*

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**Linda Pomella-Summers** - March 20, 2018 at 12:35 PM



“ *Prayers to family and friends 🤍 May she dance in heaven 🤍*



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**Sally Stotler** - March 20, 2018 at 11:48 AM



“ *Sapphire Skies Bouquet was purchased for the family of Cari Michelle Oldenburg.*



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March 20, 2018 at 11:31 AM

PH

“ Dear Shirley and John. Our hearts are breaking for you in the loss of your daughter. Please know we are lifting you all in prayer.

Pat and Bruce Harton - March 20, 2018 at 11:09 AM

YOUR HEART WILL  
AND REMEMBER WHAT  
MATTERS

“ Cari was a beautiful person, always had a smile and knew my kids so well. Always a warm presence. Will be missed deeply. ❤️

Heather Belcher - March 20, 2018 at 10:23 AM

JS

So sorry for your loss. With the beautiful memories you have of Cari she will live and love with you forever. Our thoughts and prayers are with you and your family 💕💕💕

JoAnn and John Skalecki - March 20, 2018 at 01:44 PM

JA

“ Dear John, Shirley & Family,  
Cari was a bright light in this dark world. She will be missed by so many. I remember her dancing with my niece Ann at the Carry Nation Festival. She was a beautiful person inside and out. May God grant you the strength to get through this difficult time.  
Love, Don & Janet Prescott



Janet - March 20, 2018 at 09:40 AM

Jerri  
Cowell-  
Bailey

“ Shirley and John, it is hard to express how sorry I am to hear about the loss of your precious daughter Cari. My thoughts and prayers are with you both...Jerri

Jerri Cowell-Bailey - March 20, 2018 at 09:04 AM

DW

*Sherley, John and Shari, we are so sorry to learn of your loss. I'm sure the good Lord is holding her tightly in his arms.*

David Welton - March 20, 2018 at 09:31 AM



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March 19, 2018 at 10:46 PM



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March 19, 2018 at 10:04 PM

CE

“ *She was my best friend growing up ! She was also my maid of honor in my wedding , I'm so sorry she is no longer with us I wish we could have spent more time together as grown ups , may you Rest In Peace and fly with all the angels !*

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**Carla Ehrlich** - March 19, 2018 at 09:37 PM

WR

“ *Willie Russell lit a candle in memory of Cari Michelle Oldenburg*



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**willie russell** - March 19, 2018 at 09:04 PM

AS

“ *I can still see Cari dancing with my daughter in there recitals as kids, her being my daughters maid of honor came all the way to Kansas for the wedding a true friend...she is and was a beautiful soul forever may she RIP and fly with the Angels....All our Love/Prayers Angie, Carla, Bob, Stephanie Rhodes*



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**Angie Schaad** - March 19, 2018 at 08:46 PM

GM

“ *We are so sorry to hear about Cari. Our prayers go out to her family*

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**Gary and Patricia Mills** - March 19, 2018 at 07:45 PM



“ *Pink Potpourri Bouquet was purchased for the family of Cari Michelle Oldenburg.*



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March 19, 2018 at 07:10 PM