



Lenora Ruth Lesperance

October 7, 1944 - June 6, 2026

Lenora Ruth Lesperance, age 81, of Holly, Michigan passed away peacefully on June 6, 2026, surrounded by her loving family.

Lenora was born on October 7, 1944, in southern Illinois, the daughter of Dewitt and Hazel Durfee. She met the love of her life, Mel Lesperance, Sr., and the two were united in marriage on November 14, 1964, sharing 61 wonderful years together.

Lenora will be fondly remembered for her nurturing spirit and her boundless generosity. She had a gift for making everyone feel like family, acting as a mother to all and going to any length to help those around her. Her warmth and selflessness touched countless lives..

Lenora leaves to cherish her memory her beloved husband of 61 years, Mel Lesperance, Sr.; five children, Lenora (Michael) Leaman, Mel Lesperance, Jr., Daniel (Sharri) Lesperance, Buddy Lesperance, and Dallas (April)

Lesperance; 19 grandchildren, Heather, Heidi, Hollie, Tony, Douglas, Austin, Megan (Luke), Michael, Steven (Elisha), Joseph (Shasta), William, David (Meghan), Robbie, Kayla, Kyle (Kris), Danny (Tiffany), Logan (Trish), Dalton (Hillary); brothers, Dallas Durfee and Gary (Debbie) Durfee; and many beloved nieces and nephews.

She was preceded in death by her parents, Dewitt and Hazel Durfee; and her siblings, Ramona Durfee and David Durfee.

Family will greet visitors Thursday, June 11, 2026 from 2:00 PM until 7:00 PM at Dryer Funeral Home, and Friday, June 12, 2026 from 10:00 AM until the

time of the funeral service at 11:00 AM, also at Dryer Funeral Home, 101 First Street, Holly, MI 48442. Burial will follow at Lakeside Cemetery in Holly. Memorial contributions may be directed to the Alzheimer's Association Michigan Chapter Headquarters, 25200 Telegraph Rd #100, Southfield, MI 48033, in Lenora's memory.

Cemetery Details

Lakeside Cemetery

Holly, MI

Previous Events

Visitation

JUN 11. 2:00 PM - 7:00 PM (ET)

DryerFuneral Home, Inc.
101 First St
Holly, MI 48442
(248) 634-8291
bgdryer@hotmail.com
<https://www.dryerfuneralhomeholly.com>

Visitation

JUN 12. 10:00 AM - 11:00 AM (ET)

DryerFuneral Home, Inc.
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Funeral Service

JUN 12. 11:00 AM (ET)

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Burial

JUN 12 (ET)

Lakeside Cemetery
Holly, MI

Tribute Wall

LF

“ Love, Shayne & Randy Ferguson purchased the *Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum* for the family of Lenora Ruth Lesperance.



Love, Shayne & Randy Ferguson - June 11 at 06:59 AM

LF

“ Love, Shayne & Randy Ferguson planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Lenora Ruth Lesperance.

Love, Shayne & Randy Ferguson - June 11 at 06:59 AM

LF

“ Love the Ter Burgh Family purchased the *Serene Retreat* for the family of Lenora Ruth Lesperance.



Love the Ter Burgh Family - June 10 at 03:36 PM

LF

“ Love the Ter Burgh Family planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Lenora Ruth Lesperance.

Love the Ter Burgh Family - June 10 at 03:36 PM



“ A [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) was planted in honor of Lenora Ruth Lesperance.

June 10 at 12:07 PM



“ Angel's Embrace Bouquet was purchased for the family of Lenora Ruth Lesperance.



June 10 at 12:07 PM



“ Kirk Garner and Family purchased the Beautiful in Blue for the family of Lenora Ruth Lesperance.



Kirk Garner and Family - June 10 at 09:10 AM



“ Kirk Garner and Family planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Lenora Ruth Lesperance.

Kirk Garner and Family - June 10 at 09:10 AM



“ Nicole Durfee and Alan Underkofler planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Lenora Ruth Lesperance.

Nicole Durfee and Alan Underkofler - June 09 at 09:40 PM

NU

“ Nicole Durfee and Alan Underkofler purchased the Sweetest Sunrise Bouquet for the family of Lenora Ruth Lesperance.



Nicole Durfee and Alan Underkofler - June 09 at 09:40 PM

JC

“ I LOVE MEL AND RUTHIE SOO MUCH AS IF THEY ARE MY PARENTS. MY HEART WILL BE EMPTY BECAUSE I LOVE RUTHIE SO MUCH, BUT MY SOUL HAS AN ANGEL IN HEAVEN !! 100 ❤️ I've known Ruthie as a mother since I was 5 years old. 55 years of being loved BY THE SWEETEST LADY ON EARTH gave me LOVE that my own parents never showed. I KNOW TBE LORD WELCOMED AN ANGEL HOME AND I CANNOT WAIT TO GIVE YOU A HUG WHEN I GET TO HEAVEN. MEL AND YOU TAUGHT ME WHAT HEAVEN IS ABOUT !! 100 ❤️ 🙏 I LOVE YOU FOREVER RUTHIE !! ❤️💔❤️ 100 ∞ 🙏



James Crawford - June 09 at 08:15 PM

DR

“ Durfee and Palm Relatives purchased the Strength & Solace Spray for the family of Lenora Ruth Lesperance.



Durfee and Palm Relatives - June 09 at 10:04 AM

WL

“ Lenora Lesperance was my grandmother the sweetest person you would have ever met I'm so glad I got to call her grandma. I remember running around the holly campground as a little boy and I would go to everyone's camper and say I'm hungry but when I got to Grandma's and Grandpa's camper she knew what was going on 😭 but she still made sure I ate... r.i.p grandma love you you will never be forgotten

William leaman - June 09 at 09:20 AM



“ A [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) was planted in honor of Lenora Ruth Lesperance.

June 09 at 12:40 AM



“ Sweetest Sunrise Bouquet was purchased for the family of Lenora Ruth Lesperance.



June 09 at 12:40 AM

JM

“ Jenny maccombs lit a candle in memory of Lenora Lesperance



Jenny maccombs - June 08 at 11:31 PM



“ *Crystal Cross Bouquet was purchased for the family of Lenora Ruth Lesperance.*



June 08 at 03:16 PM



“ A [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) was planted in honor of Lenora Ruth Lesperance.

June 08 at 03:16 PM