



## Nancy Lee Walden

November 21, 1946 - June 10, 2022

Last call for Nancy [Smith] Walden, 75, was Thursday June 9, 2022. The longtime bartender (and co-owner) at Fenton's beloved Walden's Lounge was home surrounded by family as her brief but intense battle with cancer came to a close. Born on the Smith family farm in Rose Township in 1946, Nancy was the youngest of eight children. Her sense of humor was one of a kind and her personality was as big as her smile. She loved her family. And she loved her work. 9am dragging her kids to the school bus, or 2am flipping on the ugly lights – Nancy's zest for life was always the same – served warm.

Nancy is predeceased by husband Malvin "Babe" Walden; son Malvin William Walden; parents Leo and Belle; brothers Jimmy, Eddie and Larry; and sister Pat. She is survived by her two daughters: Phyllis (Santiago) Pinon and Charlotte (Steven) Oliver; four grandchildren Joseph, Lilliahna, Victoria and Freya; two brothers: Bill (Iva Jo) Smith and Tommy Smith and sister Peggy (Frank) Rappuhn.

Donations may be made to the Shriner's Children's Hospital.

Funeral services will be held at 11 AM Mon. June 13, 2022 at the Dryer Funeral Home, Holly with Father Roy Horning officiating. Visitation will be from 2-5 and 7-9 PM Sunday. Burial will be in Oakwood Cemetery, Fenton.



# Cemetery Details

## Oakwood Cemetery

Davis St  
Fenton, MI 48430

# Previous Events

## Visitation

JUN 12. 2:00 PM - 5:00 PM (ET)

DryerFuneral Home, Inc.  
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## Visitation

JUN 12. 7:00 PM - 9:00 PM (ET)

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## Funeral Service

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# Tribute Wall



“ *Dryer Funeral Home created a Tribute Video in memory of Nancy Lee Walden*



**Dryer Funeral Home, Inc.** - June 13, 2022 at 09:24 AM

SK

*Friend Nancy. We started kindergarten together & graduated together. I would have loved to give you my loving thoughts of our time together. Paths cross but, also leave us. I haven't seen her in years! I pray she will Rest In Peace in our loving Father's arms*

 *Fondly, Shirley Keasey*

**Shirley Keasey** - June 13, 2022 at 10:51 AM

LK

*So Beautiful No Words Love You Nancy* 

**Lisa Kildow** - June 14, 2022 at 10:19 PM

PA

“ *So many fun memories on Friday nights with our friends at Wladens. We are the second generation enjoying good food, drinks, and cancer auctions. We miss you and Babe. Rest in peace, Nancy*



**Paulette** - September 15, 2022 at 01:00 PM

PH

“ Nancy Walden's humor and enthusiasm were contagious! I find myself smiling, just thinking about her. She was "all in" and always made you feel like you were the only person in the room. When she wasn't engaged in conversation, she would keep scanning the room to see if everyone had what they wanted and then she would attend to that need. I believe her first love was her family, her children and grandchildren, but especially her late husband, Babe, who couldn't take his eyes off her.

On a personal note, Nancy was instrumental in helping my dad connect with his birth family and for that I will be forever grateful.

God truly blessed us with Nancy,

Pat Hendricks

Lansing, MI

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**Pat Hendricks** - June 19, 2022 at 09:50 AM

CM

“ Candy Moleski sent a virtual gift in memory of Nancy Lee Walden



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**Candy moleski** - June 14, 2022 at 08:44 PM



“ 1 file added to the album Funeral service Nancy Walden



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**Bruce Dryer** - June 14, 2022 at 11:50 AM

DJ

“ I am deeply sorry for the loss of your mother. I knew her when my husband and myself visited the bar. At last she's In Peace and with your dad and brother. Denise Jensen



Denise Jensen - June 12, 2022 at 08:35 AM



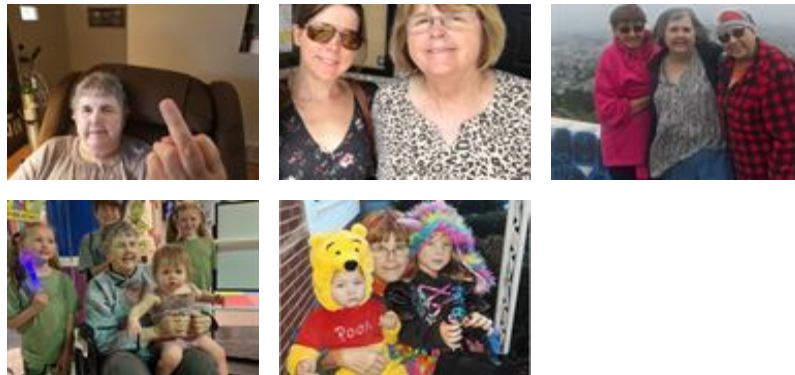
“ Full Of Love Bouquet was purchased for the family of Nancy Lee Walden.



June 12, 2022 at 02:10 AM



“ 25 files added to the album LifeTributes



Dryer Funeral Home, Inc. - June 11, 2022 at 02:31 PM

JP

“ Dear Family of Nancy Smith Walden, I graduated with Nancy and am so sorry to hear of her passing. I haven't seen her in years but I remember as a wonderful person to talk with. She will be missed. My thoughts and prayers are with you at this difficult time.  
Janet Knapp Prescott



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Janet Knapp Prescott - June 11, 2022 at 01:23 PM



“ Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum was purchased for the family of Nancy Lee Walden.



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June 11, 2022 at 12:43 PM



“ Full Of Love Bouquet was purchased for the family of Nancy Lee Walden.



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June 11, 2022 at 12:12 PM



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June 11, 2022 at 07:37 AM

DH

“ So sorry for your loss I knew Nancy before she married babe she bowled with my mom Betty Mann long time ago when I was just a kid sorry to see her go she will be missed explanation

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**Donna Hargreaves** - June 10, 2022 at 06:05 PM

DH

“ Donna Hargreaves lit a candle in memory of Nancy Lee Walden



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**Donna Hargreaves** - June 10, 2022 at 06:01 PM