



Roberta Laatsch

August 12, 1940 - March 19, 2024

It is with great sadness that we announce the passing of Roberta Luanna Laatsch of Holly on March 19th, 2024. Roberta was 83 years old. She was born in Pontiac, Michigan on August 12th, 1940. The funeral service will be held on Saturday March 23rd, 10am, at The Dryer Funeral Home, Holly, MI. For those that want to attend the Burial will be followed at All Saints Cemetery, Waterford Twp., MI immediately after. Visitation will be on Friday March 22nd, from 1-3pm and 5-7pm. Roberta was a devoted wife to now deceased husband Jerry Donald Laatsch of 60 years. They met at the once famous restaurant Ted's on Woodward where Jerry and his friend would cruise in his black convertible 1958 Impala. They were married on January 24th, 1959. She was a loving mother of three surviving sons, her oldest son Daniel Jerry Laatsch, her second oldest son James Robert Laatsch, and her youngest son David Charles Laatsch. She has 4 grandchildren, Tyler, Chelsea, Ryan, Victoria and 8 great grandchildren. Her parents were Howard and Ethel Travis. She grew up in Pontiac, MI with 6 other siblings Joyce, Helen, Ester, Ernest, Ruth, and Rella in order of their age. Survived by her siblings Ester, Ernest, and Ruth. Roberta started work at Pontiac Bail Bondsman Office while she was just a teenager. While working at the Bail Bonds office, she attended the Pontiac Business Institute where she learned business skills. Jerry and Roberta moved from Waterford to Holly. In 1976 they found a 10 acre parcel in Rose Twp. where Jerry, Roberta and the kids started the process of building a house together. Roberta found enjoyment in decorating and making the house a home. Jerry & Roberta started an electronics sales and service store in downtown Holly called Village Electronics. They sold TV's, stereos, and other electronics and Jerry provided delivery and service both in store and in home.

Roberta helped with running the front end of store and scheduled service repairs. The store was opened in 1978 and remained in business until 2011. Roberta enjoyed taking trips with the family back to Jerry's roots in Wisconsin where he grew up and had family. The adventures really began when they purchased their first motorhome, a 1972 Winnebago. The family went on many trips in Michigan, Wisconsin, and many states down south including Florida. Back in 1986 Roberta decided she wanted to purchase a new car. So on one of their trips to Florida, she found the car she wanted, a white Dodge Daytona Z. Since they didn't have a trailer, she had to drive it back home and wouldn't you know,

we had a terrible rain shower most of the way home. Quite a drive for the first drive in her new sports car. Roberta really enjoyed family get togethers whether corn roasting from our family garden or just any reason to celebrate holidays or times with family and friends. Jerry roots were from Wisconsin and in Wisconsin they Polka. My mom learned to dance Polka with my dad and loved to go to Frankenmuth whenever they had Polka music or a Polka Festival.

In her later years she was known for retelling events in her life that had meaning to her, she loved to tell everyone even perfect strangers :-)

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Cemetery Details

All Saints

4401 Nelsey Rd.
Waterford, MI 48329

Previous Events

Visitation

MAR 22. 1:00 PM - 3:00 PM (ET)

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

Visitation

MAR 22. 5:00 PM - 7:00 PM (ET)

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Holly, MI 48442
(248) 634-8291

Visitation

MAR 23. 9:30 AM - 10:00 AM (ET)

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Holly, MI 48442
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Funeral Service

MAR 23. 10:00 AM (ET)

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Graveside Service

MAR 23 (ET)

All Saints

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Following funeral service at Dryer Funeral Home.

Tribute Wall

RH

“ I am so sorry she is gone. I would have been at he funeral but I did not find out about her passing until I got the Tri County on Saturday. Roberta and I had many good conversations over the years and both had shops in Holly. She was a good and kind spirit and will be missed.

Reisa Hamilton - March 28, 2024 at 01:49 PM

BV

“ Barbara V. planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Roberta Laatsch.

Barbara V. - March 22, 2024 at 02:09 PM



“ So sorry for your loss! The photos are a wonderful memory of special moments in Robert's life! I have many fond memories of your family visits to Wisconsin also! She will be missed along with the end of the many wonderful times with the visits by your family and Marilee's family together! God be with you all! Love to you all from your cousin Barbara (Brunn) Vardalas



Barbie Jane - March 22, 2024 at 01:59 PM



“ Barbie Jane lit a candle in memory of Roberta Laatsch



Barbie Jane - March 22, 2024 at 01:47 PM

RR

“ Dear Dan, Jim, Dave and families, I just found out about your Mom's passing. You have my deepest sympathy! I always found her to be a kind and considerate person. She definitely fit into the Roloff side of the family. I remember many times growing up, especially camping with you guys in the Winnebago. Again, sorry for your loss!

Sincerely, Randy Raddant

Randy Raddant - March 22, 2024 at 11:57 AM

KF

“ Kb dental family purchased the Arrive in Style for the family of Roberta Laatsch.



Kb dental family - March 22, 2024 at 11:09 AM

MB

“ My sincere sympathy, Brandie purchased the Serene Retreat for the family of Roberta Laatsch.



My sincere sympathy, Brandie - March 22, 2024 at 07:54 AM

MB

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My sincere sympathy, Brandie - March 22, 2024 at 07:54 AM

DJ

“ Dylan Jarjis planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Roberta Laatsch.

Dylan Jarjis - March 21, 2024 at 10:05 PM

DJ

“ Dylan Jarjis purchased the Full Of Love Bouquet for the family of Roberta Laatsch.



Dylan Jarjis - March 21, 2024 at 10:05 PM



“ 28 files added to the album Life Tributes



Dryer Funeral Home, Inc. - March 21, 2024 at 02:33 PM

VN

“ Viet Ngo & Que Ngo planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Roberta Laatsch.

Viet Ngo & Que Ngo - March 21, 2024 at 01:40 PM

VN

“ Viet Ngo & Que Ngo purchased the Full Of Love Bouquet for the family of Roberta Laatsch.



Viet Ngo & Que Ngo - March 21, 2024 at 01:40 PM

DF

“ Douglas and Rima Ferich and Family purchased the Divine Peace Bouquet for the family of Roberta Laatsch.



Douglas and Rima Ferich and Family - March 21, 2024 at 10:18 AM

TO

“ Thomas O. planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Roberta Laatsch.

Thomas O. - March 21, 2024 at 10:04 AM



“ *Enchanted Cottage was purchased for the family of Roberta Laatsch.*



March 21, 2024 at 09:48 AM

TF

“ *The Family lit a candle in memory of Roberta Laatsch*



The Winglemire Family - March 21, 2024 at 09:11 AM

RH

“ *Ron and Diane Horton purchased the Country Basket Blooms for the family of Roberta Laatsch.*



Ron and Diane Horton - March 20, 2024 at 08:21 PM

ET

“ *Entire GM BT1xx PSDS Team purchased the Pink Tribute Spray for the family of Roberta Laatsch.*



Entire GM BT1xx PSDS Team - March 20, 2024 at 10:41 AM



“ *Enchanted Cottage was purchased for the family of Roberta Laatsch.*



March 19, 2024 at 07:27 PM