



Doris Marie (Thompson) Ellis

November 18, 1935 - April 12, 2024

Doris Marie (Thompson) Ellis, age 88, of Drummond Island, Michigan, died at her home on April 12, 2024. She was born on November 18, 1935, in Rudyard, Michigan, to Claire and Lillian (Arbic) Thompson.

Doris grew up in Rudyard and graduated from Rudyard High School with the Class of 1953. She moved to Drummond Island to work at Ellis Boat Works where she met Thomas Carlyle Ellis, and they married October 23, 1954. Together they built fireplaces for 60 years. Doris would lay out the design of the rocks and Carlyle would lay them into the fireplace.

Doris was a member of the Lighthouse Christian Church on Drummond Island, the Homemakers of Drummond Island, the Drummond Island Snowmobile Club, and the Ladies of the Moose in St. Ignace. She was also a 4H leader on Drummond Island, where she taught sewing.

Doris loved picking berries for her jams and tending to her garden. She also enjoyed snowmobiling, knitting, and sewing mittens and socks.

Doris is survived by her husband, Thomas C. Ellis; son, Thomas G. (Pam) Ellis; daughter, Lisa (Jim) Tarr; grandchildren, Thomas R. (Niki) Ellis, Andrew M. (Nicole) Ellis, Sarah D. (Kenn) Howard, Scott A. Ellis, Ellis B. (Melanie) Tarr, Austin C. Ellis; great-grandchildren, Deryk (Mary) Lazarz, Taylor (Nick)

Lazarz, Trisha (Colin) Lazarz, Ivan Ellis, Tanner Howard, Kenzie Howard, and D.J. Molina; great-great-grandchildren, Owen Lazarz, and Griffin Schut; brothers, Don Thompson, and Ron (Annette) Thompson; and sisters, Judy Thompson, Lois (Robert) Kangas, and Cathy Humphries.

Doris was preceded in death by her parents, Claire, and Lillian; sister, Barbara Mitchell; brother, Austin (Wanda) Thompson; sisters-in-law, Sharon Thompson and Penny Thompson; and brothers and sisters-in-law, Merlin (Lorna) Kelly, Paul (L. Jean) Staley, Ed (Aleen) Voss.

A Memorial Gathering will be held on Saturday, April 20th from 11:00 AM to 12:00 Noon with a Memorial Service to follow at 12:00 Noon at the Lighthouse Christian Church, 29898 E Pine St, Drummond, MI 49726.

Final resting place will be at the Drummond Island Cemetery on Drummond Island, Michigan.

Memorial Contributions can be mailed to CARES for DIAC, P.O. Box 392 Drummond Island, MI 49726.

Family Life Funeral Homes assisted the family with arrangements.
Condolences may be left to the family at www.familylifefh.com.

Cemetery Details

Drummond Island Cemetery

34318 S Townline Road
Drummond Island, MI 49726

Previous Events

Memorial Gathering

APR 20. 11:00 AM - 12:00 PM (ET)

Lighthouse Christian Church
29898 E Pine St
Drummond, MI 49726

Memorial Service

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Tribute Wall

LM

“ I am so blessed to have had the opportunity to care for Doris. It was 3 years of laughter.. I truly enjoyed my time with you Doris❤️ Rest in the arms of Jesus.. And know I will continue to care for Carlyle the same as I did for you❤️ Love you Lori Miller

Lori Miller - April 20, 2024 at 08:11 AM



“ Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum was purchased for the family of Doris Marie (Thompson) Ellis.



April 17, 2024 at 07:22 PM

RT

“ Robert, Lois, Michael and Tony planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Doris Marie (Thompson) Ellis.

Robert, Lois, Michael and Tony - April 17, 2024 at 10:11 AM

RT

“ Robert, Lois, Michael and Tony purchased the Ultimate Golden Godiva Tower for the family of Doris Marie (Thompson) Ellis.



Robert, Lois, Michael and Tony - April 17, 2024 at 10:11 AM

EG

“ Ellis Grandkids planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Doris Marie (Thompson) Ellis.

Ellis Grandkids - April 17, 2024 at 07:15 AM



“ Country Basket Blooms was purchased for the family of Doris Marie (Thompson) Ellis.



April 17, 2024 at 07:15 AM

RK

“ Prayers of comfort to the entire Ellis Family. Randy and Karen

Randy and Karen - April 16, 2024 at 03:51 PM

CS

“ To the Ellis Family
So so sorry for your loss.
Thoughts and Prayers being sent
to all of you ❤️🕊
From Bill & Cathi

Cathi Shaul - April 16, 2024 at 01:14 PM

M&

“ So sorry for your loss Sending hugs at this sad time. Mike & Diane



M&D - April 16, 2024 at 11:47 AM

RA

“ **RODNEY & RENEE TIPTON & ASHLEY** purchased the *Full Of Love Bouquet* for the family of *Doris Marie (Thompson) Ellis*.



RODNEY & RENEE TIPTON & ASHLEY - April 16, 2024 at 10:36 AM