



Judy Ann Melvin

January 24, 1939 - June 28, 2015

Judith Ann (Immel) Melvin, age 76, of Drummond Island, Michigan, died on June 28, 2015. She was born on January 24, 1939 in Ann Arbor, Michigan to Wilson Henry and Lyla Miriam (Johnson) Immel.

Judy grew up in Ann Arbor and graduated from Pioneer High School. She attended Cleary College in Yipsalanti, Michigan for a certificated program in secretarial business. After college she married and started her family. Her husband was in the Air Force and they lived in many states. In 1969, Judy settled on Drummond Island and began working for the Detour branch of Central Savings Bank. During the 15 years working for the bank, Judy ran for Township Clerk/Secretary. She retired after 25 years as clerk, but continued for another 15 years to be the sexton for Drummond Island Cemetery.

Judy was a founding member of the Drummond Island Lutheran Church, a member of the Diggers Club, Moose lodge #2376, and the DIMWITS Snowmobile Club.

Judy had many hobbies including arts & crafts, being outdoors, fishing and boating, and photography. She loved and enjoyed to spin her own yarn for knitting, mushroom picking, harvesting wild rice from second lake, canning, snowmobiling, and teaching people new things. Although Judy fussed over everybody else, Judy always told people "Don't Fuss" over her.

Judy is survived by daughter Laura Ann (Dean) Melvin of Drummond Island; step-sons, Dean (Laura) Melvin of Drummond Island, Dale (Kelly) Melvin of Drummond Island; son-in-law, Thomas Dyal of Drummond Island; grandchildren, J.D. Melvin, Sara Melvin, Zachary Melvin, Blake Melvin, Adrian (James) Spencer, Andrew (Kyndal) Dyal, Samantha Dyal; great grandchildren, Wyatt, Lyla, Aaron, Ryker, Kiera; sisters, Joanne Green of Drummond Island, and Kristin Sanders.

Judy is preceded in death by her husband John Kenneth Melvin; her parents; daughter, Lynn Dyal; step-son, Kenneth Melvin; brothers-in-law, Gene Sanders and Gerald Green.

Memorial Services will be held at a later date, to be announced.

Memorials may be left to Drummond Island Ambulance Corp. or Drummond Island spay and neuter program.

Inurnment will be at Drummond Island Cemetery.

R. Galer Funeral Home, 24549 S. M-129 in Pickford, Michigan is serving the family.

Condolences may be sent to the family at www.rgalerfuneralhome.com.

Previous Events

Memorial Service

JUL 18. 1:00 PM (ET)

Drummond Island Lutheran Church
29515 E. Channel Rd
Drummond Island, MI 49726

Tribute Wall



“ *Judy Ann Melvin*

October 05, 2023 at 09:54 AM



“ *Judy Ann Melvin*

October 02, 2023 at 10:14 PM



“ *Judy Ann Melvin*

September 01, 2022 at 07:49 PM



“ *Judy was a classy lady...Along with others, we will miss her... Jack & Caroline Banfield Murrells Inlet, SC*

Jack Banfield - July 21, 2015 at 03:07 PM



“ *Arrive in Style was purchased for the family of Judy Ann Melvin.*



July 15, 2015 at 09:14 PM

KS

“ *Kristin Sanders lit a candle in memory of Judy Ann Melvin*




Kristin Sanders - July 15, 2015 at 07:50 AM



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July 14, 2015 at 12:13 PM

 Cassandra McFarland

“ *One of my best memories was of aunt Judy was playing cards and board games at Joanne and Jerry's. Getting the three sisters together was a HOOT! I always loved being with the adults...the jokes and laughter were always my favorite part. There was some joke that night, I can't even remember what was said, but it sent my mom to the bathroom and when she tried to get there quickly, one of the dogs got under her feet and she tripped and peed her pants. Aunt Judy spit out her drink and we ROARED with laughter. I miss those easy laughs and those simple easy times. I pray that Joanne, Laura and the rest of the family will carry that on and laugh until you cry. Or pee your pants, whichever comes first. Much love and blessing to each of you as you travel this valley. You are loved.*

Kassandra McFarland - July 14, 2015 at 11:22 AM

JF

“ It's been hard to know what to say. Judy has been a part of my life since high school and became a very dear and true friend, a friend who I knew would always be there and I always knew her feelings were sincere. The last time we talked, we laughed and I feel good about that! I will miss her so very much is just about all I can say! RIP my dear friend, until we see each other again. You are now in a place without pain and at peace. Love you so very much! My condolences to Laura and Joanne and the rest of the family that meant so much to her.

Judy Cook Fischer - July 10, 2015 at 09:52 AM

DB

“ Rest in peace my friend. You were always a joy to talk to, spend time with and share laughter Judy, you will be missed. God's love and blessings to your family to help them through this difficult time in their lives. Donna Burden

donna burden - July 09, 2015 at 11:58 AM

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“ Doug Culhane (imm) lit a candle in memory of Judy Ann Melvin



Doug Culhane (imm) - July 08, 2015 at 04:13 PM

JG

“ *What can I say, I miss you so much, our coffee in the mornings, laughing, and tears at sad movies..your hatred of hockey, but never refused me from watching it..your my dearest sister and best friend and life won't be as much fun now that your gone, I love you and miss you. God Bless and I will see you again someday.*



Joanne M Green - July 08, 2015 at 02:55 PM

JF

She didn't understand it because she didn't like hockey, but she used to laugh at you obsession with the sport. She was so pleased and happy for you and enjoyed your excitement when someone you didn't know (I think you met them at a restaurant?) gave you some memorabilia that their son "didn't want!" She was a very giving/compassionate soul.

Judy Cook Fischer - July 10, 2015 at 10:00 AM

KS

Driving to the Thessalon Winterfest in snowmobile suits because the cars heater was spitting snow IN her VW! Laughing all weekend. Great memories. May you be at peace with Mom and Dad, and the rest of the family. God bless you and Laura.

Kristin Sanders - July 15, 2015 at 08:00 AM



“ *Jeri Maupin lit a candle in memory of Judy Ann Melvin*



Jeri Maupin - July 08, 2015 at 02:34 PM



Judy is so dear to my heart, I loved her, I loved talking with her and I loved her laugh. I am missing her right now and I know all of her family is heartbroken....

Go Fly High Judy.....

Jeri

Jeri Maupin - July 08, 2015 at 02:36 PM

MO

“ *My memories of Judy go way back to our high school days. I remember always her spirited laugh. Slumber parties were always fun....and I don't think her folks knew all of us that practiced our driver education skills we were trying to hone during those parties. I worked mine with lot of laughter on that old station wagon they had. Last time I was with Judy was on my 21st birthday. Judy and I lost contact for almost 40 plus years. Interesting fact when her mother was in the Methodist Hospital in Houston Texas, I was an OB nurse a few floors below where her mom was. We never knew that at the time. I regret that. I will always cherish my girlhood and high school memories and fun times with Judy. Judy was what I consider one of my lifetime friends.*

Rest In Peace Judy.

*Your old friend from yesteryear...Mary (Martin) Hanson O'Reilly
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Mary (Martin) Hanson O'Reilly - July 07, 2015 at 10:50 PM

JG

Thank you Mary, I know she would have loved that..God Bless

Joanne M Green - July 08, 2015 at 02:51 PM

JF

Mary, remember when I slapped at a mosquito on the windshield of the old "Woodie" station wagon and broke the windshield? I don't think I'll ever forget that! LOL

Judy Cook Fischer - July 10, 2015 at 10:04 AM

MO

“ *Mary Hanson O'Reilly lit a candle in memory of Judy Ann Melvin*



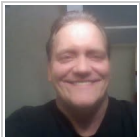
Mary Hanson O'Reilly - July 07, 2015 at 10:34 PM

JF

“ *Judy Fischer lit a candle in memory of Judy Ann Melvin*



Judy Fischer - July 07, 2015 at 03:08 PM



“ *Bobby Gutcher lit a candle in memory of Judy Ann Melvin*



Bobby Gutcher - July 07, 2015 at 02:51 PM

SD

“ I will miss you so much grandma!! I remember spending my summers with you and grandpa, We use to bake and do arts and crafts together!! I love you always and forever!!



Samantha Dyal - July 07, 2015 at 11:43 AM

JB

“ Jack & Caroline Banfield lit a candle in memory of Judy Ann Melvin



Jack & Caroline Banfield - June 30, 2015 at 05:39 PM

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“ Dean, Laura, Dale, Kelly, Tom and families

*We are so very sorry for your loss. We will miss Judy and her phone calls
Please let us know if we can do anything for you*



Cherish the memories

Mike & Diane

M&DKelly - June 30, 2015 at 05:00 PM