



Margaret "Maggie" Ann (Oberle) Brannstrom

December 29, 1954 - March 7, 2026

Margaret "Maggie" Ann (Oberle) Brannstrom, age 71, of St. Ignace, Michigan, died on Saturday, March 7, 2026, at McLaren Northern Michigan Hospital in Petoskey, Michigan. She was born on December 29, 1954, in Detroit, Michigan, to Daniel Sr. and Vivian (Andress) Oberle.

Maggie was one of nine children, growing up with five brothers and three sisters. In 1968, she moved to the Upper Peninsula with her family and graduated from Rudyard High School in 1973. After graduation, she attended Lake Superior State College, where she earned an associate degree in data processing and later a bachelor's degree in accounting in 1985.

Maggie began her career working for the State of Michigan Insurance Bureau and later worked for the Michigan Department of Corrections, where she retired after many years of dedicated service. She was known as a hard worker, something clearly reflected throughout her career.

Maggie was a member of the Moose Lodge in St. Ignace.

Maggie enjoyed spending time with friends and family, watching the Detroit Tigers, going to the casino, and sailing on cruise ships. She especially loved the laughter and memories shared during those moments and always looked forward to time spent with the people she cared about most.

Maggie is survived by her son, Jason Oberle of Sault Ste. Marie; granddaughter, Alyssa VerWiebe of Aspen, Colorado; brothers, Richard LaDuke of Clinton Township, Michigan, Daniel “Dan” Oberle Jr. of Carson City, Michigan, William “Bill” Oberle of Beaverton, Michigan; and sister, Linda Oberle of Abilene, Texas.

Maggie was preceded in death by her parents, Daniel Sr. and Vivian; brothers, Jerry LaDuke and Erland LaDuke; and sisters, Bonita (LaDuke) Pyzik and Brenda (LaDuke) Smerecki.

A Celebration of Life will be held in the summer of 2026.

Family Life Funeral Homes – St. Ignace assisted the family with arrangements. Condolences may be given to the family at www.familylifefh.com.

Tribute Wall

HS

“ Maggie I wrote a very nice memorial on another site now I can't find it. In true Helen fashion, screwed up and a laugh. 🤪😂😂
You were very much a part of my teen years and I am Glad for that! We had the best times you were one of the smartest and snarkiest people I knew. Love you always. The obituary I posted was on a site called legacy, now I can't even find it.
Like someone else said you weren't apologetic for anything " take me as I am or move on" thank you for being my friend all those years as I was kind of shy then but you were instrumental in helping me become a more, outspoken person. There are so many good time memories it would take a book. Don't raise too much hell up there😭😭at least you aren't suffering any more. I am so glad you found me as I lost touch before your last name Changed. Always a good friend and the memories will always be cherished. Love ya❤️❤️. Helen salo

helen salo - March 14 at 05:54 PM

MI

“ Margaret “Maggie” was a great mom, hard worker, and an accomplished woman. She always had a great sense of humor and quick wit. She raised Jason to be a hard worker and very successful and honorable young man.
My sympathies to her family and many, many friends. May her memory be a blessing.

With great memories and best wishes to all her family and friends on behalf of the Irwin family!

Mitch Irwin

Mitch Irwin - March 13 at 10:42 PM

HS

I remember times with Millard and Maggie. We had a blast! It's been along time ago but each memory is still like it was yesterday. Helen Salo

helen salo - March 14 at 05:59 PM

SP

“ *I lived on Thompson Rd and were neighbors of the Oberles and then Maggie and Jason.im so sorry to hear of Maggie's passing.One memory I have of her is she was one tough and hardworking lady helping build the Kinross fair grandstands and wasn't afraid of anything!* ”

Sharlene Petkus - March 12 at 10:29 PM

RV

“ *Ruthann Volz lit a candle in memory of Margaret "Maggie" Ann (Oberle) Brannstrom* ”



Ruthann Volz - March 12 at 05:51 PM

TM

“ *Amazing Women!!! Definitely know we stood in her world!! Will miss the bingo days and the yummy chocolate cake she would make! Love u Mags!! Fly High!! :)* ”



Tracey McCluskey - March 12 at 03:19 PM

JH

“ Sending my condolences, thoughts and prayers to the family and friends of this crazy, fun-loving beautiful soul. She let you know what she thought and wasn't embarrassed if you didn't agree. Mags you are one of a kind and you will be missed. Fly high my friend!!
Baamaapii Jamie (McCoy) Harvey

Jamie (McCoy) Harvey - March 12 at 02:32 PM

JH

“ Jamie (McCoy) Harvey lit a candle in memory of Margaret "Maggie" Ann (Oberle) Brannstrom



Jamie (McCoy) Harvey - March 12 at 02:16 PM



“ She was one of a kind and she'll be missed so much

Donna Andrew - March 12 at 12:55 PM

JR

“ Thoughts & prayers for you & your family. Maggie was a good friend & will be missed.

Joe & Lana Rogers - March 12 at 09:13 AM