



Marjorie Elaine Schmitigal

August 12, 1936 - September 16, 2021

Marjorie Elaine Schmitigal, age 85, of Pickford, Michigan, died September 16, 2021, at home. She was born August 12, 1936, in Marquette Township, Michigan, to Leonard and Margaret Alley (Hill) Rutledge.

Marjorie grew up in Pickford and attended Pickford Schools. In high school, she was a majorette for band. She was a baton twirler. She worked at the Pickford Grocery and Stan Schmitigal worked up the courage to come in and ask her out on a date. They went to the Sault Indians hockey game which started their love of hockey. They were married March 28, 1958, and he worked as a mason. She encouraged him to go back to college in the winters and they moved back to Pickford and later built a retirement house on Fairview Road. They traveled during their retirement on bus tours including a stop at the Calgary Stampede and had a retirement home in Florida for six years.

Marjorie was a member of the Pickford Presbyterian Church.

Marjorie loved planting flowers, gardening, sewing, and quilting. She even quilted with the Pickford Quilters for 60 years. She also enjoyed square dancing with the Suzy Q's and watching baseball and hockey. She and Stan had season tickets to every Laker hockey game for over twenty years.

Marjorie is survived by her daughters, Linda (Brian) Snyder of Sault Ste. Marie, Michigan, and Lisa Hurlburt of Bluffton, South Carolina; son, Christopher (Micky) Schmitigal of Pickford; and granddaughter, Jill Schmitigal; step-grandchildren Jennifer Hurlburt, Jamie Hurlburt, and Heather Hurlburt;

step-great-grandchildren, Owen, Autumn, Haiden, Mason, Jayla JJay, Aaliyah, Stella, and Mya; siblings, Arla Jean Wilson, James Rutledge, Glenda Brown, and William (Suzie) Rutledge; brothers-in-law, Glen Atkins, Conrad Schmitigal, Harold (Barbara) Schmitigal, Ken (Dianne) Schmitigal, and Eugene (Linda) Schmitigal; sisters-in-law, Irene Handziak, Gina Jankewicz, Fran Walther, and Bonnie (Steve) Newnum; and many cousins, nieces, nephews and great nieces and nephews.

Marjorie was preceded in death by her husband, Stanley Schmitigal; grandson, Tyler Schmitigal; son-in-law Jim Hurlburt; and siblings, Mary Lynn (Vern) Huyck, Loretta Atkins, and Jack (Betty) Rutledge, and sister-in-law, Belva Rutledge.

Services will be held September 27, 2021, at Galer Funeral Homes & Cremation, 24549 S M-129 in Pickford. A memorial gathering will be held from 10:00 AM to 12:00 PM with a Memorial Service to follow at 12:00 PM.

Final Resting Place is Fairview Cemetery in Pickford.

Memorial Contributions may be left to Hospice of the E.U.P. 308 W. 12th Avenue, Sault Ste. Marie, MI 49783.

Previous Events

Memorial Gathering

SEP **27**. 10:00 AM - 12:00 PM (ET)

Galer Funeral Homes & Cremation
24549 S M 129
Pickford, MI 49774

Memorial Service

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Tribute Wall



“ *Marjorie Elaine Schmitigal*

October 05, 2023 at 09:54 AM



“ *Marjorie Elaine Schmitigal*

October 02, 2023 at 10:14 PM



“ *Marjorie Elaine Schmitigal*

September 01, 2022 at 07:49 PM



“ *Marge was my classmate in high school and we shared a to New York City with her and her husband and Mr. & Mrs. Vern Hyke. We knew her as a fun person to be around.*
Wade & Elva Sims



wade sims - September 26, 2021 at 10:00 AM



it was a coach trip

wade sims - September 26, 2021 at 10:02 AM



“ Peaceful White Lilies Basket was purchased for the family of Marjorie Elaine Schmitigal.



September 26, 2021 at 04:56 AM



“ Oh my blessings go to the family. Your mom was a good friend and co-worker. She helped me with quilting when I was making too many mistakes. I believe she's at peace now. My thoughts are with you all, Susie Palmer

Susan Palmer - September 24, 2021 at 01:15 PM



“ Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum was purchased for the family of Marjorie Elaine Schmitigal.



September 23, 2021 at 11:38 AM



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September 23, 2021 at 11:32 AM

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“ *Condolences to Linda and extended family. May all your fond memories comfort you now and in the future. Rest in Peace Mrs. Schmitigal.*

Fern - September 23, 2021 at 10:53 AM



“ *Gracious Lavender Basket was purchased for the family of Marjorie Elaine Schmitigal.*



September 22, 2021 at 02:44 PM



“ *Sentiments of Serenity Spray was purchased for the family of Marjorie Elaine Schmitigal.*



September 22, 2021 at 01:03 PM