



Mary Catherine Crockett

January 7, 1934 - October 12, 2023

Mary Catherine (Andary) Crockett, age 89, of Cedarville, Michigan, died on October 12, 2023, at her home. She was born on January 7, 1934, in Sault Ste. Marie, Michigan, to Anthony “Tony” Andary and Kathleen Coughlin.

Mary graduated from Loretto High School with the Class of 1951. After graduation, she attended Lake Superior State College, and then Western Michigan University. She married David Crockett on August 13, 1955, at St. Joseph Church in Sault Ste. Marie by her uncle, Father Tom Andary. They moved to Mount Pleasant, Michigan, where she went on to earn her bachelor's degree in elementary education at Central Michigan University while they started their family. Mary began her teaching career in Saline, Michigan, while Dave earned his degree from the University of Michigan. After they relocated several times from Sault Ste. Marie, to Kentucky, to Saint Clair Shores, they finally settled in Glen Ellyn, Illinois. She continued to teach at Carol Stream Elementary while raising seven children and countless animals. Mary and Dave retired in 1989 and moved to Cedarville to enjoy their retirement.

Mary was active in Bethel Lutheran Church Cedarville, where she played the organ as needed. She was a member of the quilting club and assisted in many fundraisers and other activities. She was Involved in; the Coast Guard Auxiliary Les-Cheneaux Flotilla as secretary, Red Hat Society, and volunteer

for the Saint Ignace Animal Shelter.

Mary loved spending time with her grandchildren and great-grandchildren. She loved all creatures and rescued, nursed, and fed many critters, both wild and domestic. She maintained, cooked, and canned a large garden with her husband. She had a passion for sewing and not just her family—many people have received a quilt that Mary made to help keep warm. She enjoyed line dancing, canoeing, and sailing her little sunflower boat.

Mary is survived by her husband, David Crockett; son, Dave “Chip” (Darlene) Crockett Jr.; daughter, Cindy Selig; sons, Joe (Darlene) Crockett; daughters, Becky Crockett, and Kathy (Dennis) Letang; and son, Rob Crockett; fifteen grandchildren; and ten great-grandchildren; brother, Bill Andary; brother-in-law, Bert Crockett; and special friend & caregiver, Wanda Lamoreaux.

Mary was preceded in death by her father, Tony Andary; mother, Kathleen Coughlin; son, Danny Crockett; and mother-in-law Marguerite Crockett.

A Memorial Service will be held on Monday, October 16, 2023, at the Bethel Lutheran Church in Cedarville. The Memorial Gathering will be from 10 AM - 11 AM with the service starting at 11 AM with Pastor Renee officiating. There will be a luncheon following the burial at Cedar Cemetery in Clark Twp., Michigan.

Memorial contributions can be made to the Bethel Lutheran Church of Cedarville, 217 N. M-129 Cedarville, MI 49719, Clark Township Ambulance Auxiliary, P.O. Box 367 Cedarville, MI 49719, or the Pickford Veterinary Animal Fund, 5990 E Taylor Rd, Pickford, MI 49774.

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

Cemetery Details

Cedar Cemetery (aka Edgewood)

Clark Township Office
P.O. Box 367
Cedarville, MI 49719

Previous Events

Memorial Gathering

OCT **16**. 10:00 AM - 11:00 AM (ET)

Bethel Lutheran Church
271 N. M-129
Cedarville, MI 49719

Memorial Service

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Tribute Wall



“ *If I ever knew a lady that was sure to enter into the gates of Heaven it was Mary. So very sorry to hear she passed on, but R.I.P. Sweet Lady and Chris to the Family from both Jackie and Vernon*

Vernon Malkowski - October 19, 2023 at 08:10 PM



“ *Mary was a kind and caring neighbor and a cornerstone of our community. Her smiling face and gracious heart will be missed. Our condolences and prayers go out to the entire Crockett family.*

We offer memorials in Mary's name to the Bethel Lutheran Church, our Clark Township Ambulance Auxiliary and to the Pickford Veterinary Fund.

*With Love,
Paul, Jan and Jake Tabor*

Paul Tabor - October 15, 2023 at 05:15 PM



“ *Arrive in Style was purchased for the family of Mary Catherine Crockett.*



October 14, 2023 at 03:36 PM

MF

“ *The Crockett Family was our home during the many summers we sailed northern Lake Huron, and Mary Catherine, Dean’s cousin, was the Matriarch.*

She welcomed our ragtag crew with open arms every year providing dinners and showers and laundry service and an overnight bed on occasion. We enjoyed getting to know Dave and Bert and all her wonderful children.

Parties and conversations were always interesting and stimulating. Never a dull moment!

We have missed all that since our retirement from sailing, and we will miss Mary. She was the heart of the Crockett Family. We are sorry for your loss and for ours.

Dean (Mike) and Cheryl Fleury

Mike Fleury - October 14, 2023 at 02:17 PM

DC

“ *I’m sending my deepest sympathy to the Crockett family for the loss of their Matriarch, Mary. Nana’s capacity for showing love was unlimited and she showed her love in many ways. 💖 She loved her family relentlessly, was always helping others and was a sacred warrior in her love of all animals! I never cared for blueberry pie until I had Nana’s homemade. Enjoy paradise Nana, you are so deserving of it 🙏🙏*

Dee Crockett - October 14, 2023 at 11:19 AM

MF

“ *So sorry for your loss. Have memories of my mother Cookie taking the coffee trail to meet Mary for coffee.*

mark ferrara - October 14, 2023 at 07:00 AM

AU

“ My family and I extend our deepest sympathies and condolences to the Crockett family with the loss of their beloved wife, mother and grandmother. Knowing one of her sons - it is clear she was a loving and caring person. May she rest peacefully and her family and friends keep her memories close always.

Andrew M. Urda - October 13, 2023 at 11:12 PM

TF

“ We're sorry for your loss. Our sincere condolences - The Cherry Family

The Cherry Family - October 13, 2023 at 10:12 PM



“ A [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) was planted in honor of Mary Catherine Crockett.

October 13, 2023 at 09:44 PM



“ Beautiful in Blue was purchased for the family of Mary Catherine Crockett.



October 13, 2023 at 09:44 PM

MT

“ We had the honor of meeting Mary this past summer after hearing stories about her for years. Her big, warm smile left a lasting impression. She left a wonderful legacy in her loving family. It was a pleasure to meet her. Our sincere condolences to the Crockett family.

Andy, Meredith, Sam and Gabe Tessier

Meredith Tessier - October 13, 2023 at 09:35 PM

DP

“ Dean P. planted a grove of 3 [Memorial Trees](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Mary Catherine Crockett.

Dean P. - October 13, 2023 at 04:33 PM



“ Country Basket Blooms was purchased for the family of Mary Catherine Crockett.



October 13, 2023 at 02:49 PM



“ A [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) was planted in honor of Mary Catherine Crockett.

October 13, 2023 at 02:49 PM

JS

“ *John Strine purchased the Peaceful White Lilies Basket for the family of Mary Catherine Crockett.*



John Strine - October 13, 2023 at 02:05 PM