



Nadine Helen Botke

March 11, 1926 - September 10, 2022

Nadine Helen (Zoellner) Botke, age 96, of Drummond Island, Michigan, died at Evergreen Living Center in St. Ignace, Michigan, on September 10, 2022. She was born in Detroit, Michigan, on March 11, 1926, to Edmund Julis Wendlin Zoellner and Lillian (Kloock) Zoellner.

Nadine grew up in Detroit and graduated from Denby High School and started working for AAA where she met the love of her life, Robert Reamer Botke. They were married at Mount Zion Lutheran Church in Detroit on June 15, 1946. She vacationed to Drummond Island for years and permanently moved there in June of 1969. Where they started Weona Resort and ran it until retiring in the 1980's.

Nadine was a member of the Women's Athletic Association in Detroit, Detroit A Capella Choir, Beautiful Savior Women's Fellowship, which focus was on the Pontiac State Hospital for mentally disabled, a Cub Scout Leader, a Brownie Leader, a Girl Scout Leader, Drummond Island Homemakers, Drummond Island Lutheran Women's Group, President of the Drummond Island Clinic Board, member of Drummond Island Lutheran Church where she was the organist since the origination.

Nadine was someone always looking for an adventure. She loved to travel anywhere she could. She was ambitious and considerate. She loved

gardening flowers, baking bread, and spending time with her grandchildren and grand dogs.

Nadine is survived by her son, Bob (Dayle) Botke of Iron Bridge, Ontario, Canada; daughter, Pam (Tom) Ellis of Drummond Island; grandchildren, Lynn (Brent) Autore, Leslie (Dennis) Whitfield, Tom (Niki) Ellis, Andy (Nicole) Ellis, Sarah (Kenn) Howard, and Scott Ellis and Kezia Wise; great-grandchildren, Robert Autore, Riley Autore, Hunter Whitfield, Britney Whitfield, Lauren Whitfield, Mac Whitfield, Michael Whitfield, Deryk (Mary) Lazarz, Taylor Lazarz, Trisha Lazarz, Ivan Ellis, Tanner Howard, Kenzie Howard, and D.J. Molina; great-great-grandchild, Owen Lazarz; niece, Lori DeSalvo; nephews, Tim (Joan) Strutz, and Todd (Kaye) Strutz; and cousins, Susan Juip, Linda (Bill) Pankhurst, and Jane Botke.

Nadine is preceded in death by her husband, Robert R. Botke; parents, Edmund and Lillian Zoellner; daughter-in-law, Debbie Botke; and great-grandson, Craig Whitfield.

Visitation Will be held on Saturday, September 17, 2022, from 10:00 AM till 11:00 AM at the Drummond Island Lutheran Church, 29515 E Channel Rd, Drummond, MI 49726. The Funeral Service will begin at 11:00 AM.

Burial Will follow at Drummond Island Cemetery.

Memorial Contributions may be made to the Drummond Island Ambulance, P.O. Box 225, Drummond Island, MI 49725 or the Chippewa County Animal Shelter, 3660 S Mackinac Trail, Sault Ste. Marie, MI 49783

Galer Funeral Homes & Cremation in Pickford, Michigan, is serving the family. Condolences may be sent to the family at www.galerfuneralhomes.com.

Cemetery Details

Drummond Island Cemetery

34318 S Townline Road
Drummond Island, MI 49726

Previous Events

Visitation

SEP 17. 10:00 AM (ET)

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

Funeral Service

SEP 17. 11:00 AM (ET)

Family Life Funeral Homes - Pickford
24549 S. M-129
Pickford, MI 49774

Tribute Wall



“ *Nadine Helen Botke*

October 05, 2023 at 09:54 AM



“ *Nadine Helen Botke*

October 02, 2023 at 10:14 PM



“ *Keeping you all in our prayers. I know what a very special lady she was. Heaven did get another angel. Hugs to you all. Gloria Crocker*

Gloria J Crocker - September 15, 2022 at 06:10 PM



“ *Medium Dish Garden was purchased for the family of Nadine Helen Botke.*



September 15, 2022 at 09:46 AM



“ *Blue Caribbean Bouquet was purchased for the family of Nadine Helen Botke.*



September 14, 2022 at 09:02 PM

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“ *Such a lovely person with a warm and welcoming smile that would light up a room Heaven truly got an angel when they welcomed her home Keeping you all in our thoughts, Mike & Diane*



M&D - September 13, 2022 at 06:54 PM

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“ *Pam and family, We are so sorry for your loss. Your mom was such a sweet lady. Loved to visit her when we were around. I can see her playing the piano for the angels in Heaven. Sending love to you all. So many wonderful beautiful memories to cherish . Don and Mary Howard.*



Mary Howard - September 13, 2022 at 06:11 PM