



Phyllis Ann Causley

November 11, 1947 - November 17, 2024

Phyllis Ann Causley, age 77, of Sault Ste. Marie, Michigan, went to be with the Lord on November 17, 2024, at Medilodge in Sault Ste. Marie. She was born on November 11, 1947, in Sault Ste. Marie, to Edward and Mabel (Stone) Downs.

Phyllis grew up in Sault Ste. Marie and attended Sault High School and was a part of the First Free Methodist Church family. She worked various jobs until she found her true calling as a Certified Nurse Assistant for twenty-two years at Tendercare in Sault Ste. Marie. She always gave her all when it came to loving and caring for her patients and mentoring new hires.

Phyllis and her husband, Jerry, enjoyed traveling and spending time with extended family and friends in Lansing, Michigan, and Hessel, Michigan, and it was no surprise to see them attend sporting events cheering on the younger generations. Phyllis had much pride in her children, Christine and Kirk, and often shared stories about them with others. When they reached a new goal, she encouraged them to strive to do their best and would ask, "What's next?". She loved spending time with her grandchildren and great-grandchildren, Sunday dinners brought her so much joy, and she always saved room for dessert and a competitive game of cards. She enjoyed celebrating each holiday, especially Christmas, where decorations could be found throughout the house. Phyllis was crafty and made a lot of Care Bears for those she

loved. If you went to her house more than once, you were considered family.

Phyllis is survived by her children, Christine (Mark) Groh of Sault Ste. Marie and Kirk (Heather Selling) Downs of Fowlerville, Michigan; grandchildren, Brittany (Dan) Bartley, Allyse (Aaron) Diepenherst, Malcom X. Downs, Tanecia (Arnie) Hallai, Jayden Nippers and Trey Pyette; great-grandchildren, Audrey, Carter, Emerson, Xaundra, Ada, Amelia, Amira, and Adonis; special great niece who was her sidekick, Taylor Causley; “adoptive’ granddaughter, Mariah (Caleb) McKerchie; siblings, Ken (Joann) Downs, Ron (Karen) Downs, Sandra Geatches, Dennis (Pansy) Downs; in-laws, Dave Broten, John (Patty) Causley, Dalinda Brissette, Jeff (Connie) Causley, and Deb Causley; and many loved nieces and nephews.

Phyllis was preceded in death by her husband, Jerry Causley; parents, Edward and Mabel; in-laws, John (Lorraine) Causley; siblings, Shirley Downs, Judith (Bob) Miller, Edward (Shirley) Downs Jr., Betty (Wayne) Bumgardner, Margaret (Tom) Horton, Beverly (Fred) Logan, Carla Downs, Paula Broten, and Lorraine Fyke, Ron Geatches, Daryl Causley, Jim Causley and Donald Causley.

A Memorial Service will be held on Saturday, November 23, 2024, at 11:00 AM with a luncheon to follow at the First Free Methodist Church, 505 W. 4th Avenue, Sault Ste. Marie, MI 49783.

Phyllis’s final resting place will be Our Lady of the Snows, 261 S. Islandview Rd., Hessel, MI 49745. Burial will be in the late Spring of 2025.

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

Obituary as submitted by family.

Cemetery Details

Our Lady of the Snows

261 S. Islandview Rd.
Hessel, MI 49745

Previous Events

Memorial Service

NOV **23**. 11:00 AM (ET)

First Free Methodist Church
505 W 4th Ave
Sault Ste. Marie, MI 49783

A luncheon will follow service.

Tribute Wall

LM

“ *Phyllis was a wonderful lady!!! I enjoyed each time we got to spend time together. She was always so positive no matter what was going on. She took a genuine interest in those around her and LOVED her family dearly...she was SO PROUD of her grandchildren in particular and the greats. She loved to share all they were doing. She will be greatly missed <3*

Lori Moynan - November 25, 2024 at 08:57 AM



“ *Beautiful in Blue was purchased for the family of Phyllis Ann Causley.*



November 22, 2024 at 10:54 AM



“ *Serene Retreat was purchased for the family of Phyllis Ann Causley.*



November 22, 2024 at 08:07 AM



“ *A [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) was planted in honor of Phyllis Ann Causley.*

November 22, 2024 at 08:07 AM



“ *Beautiful in Blue was purchased for the family of Phyllis Ann Causley.*



November 21, 2024 at 09:33 PM



“ *I will never. Forget you , I was. Sooooo lucky to be your neighbor. You me and John just sitting outside talking and laughing*

Susan Risner - November 21, 2024 at 03:47 PM



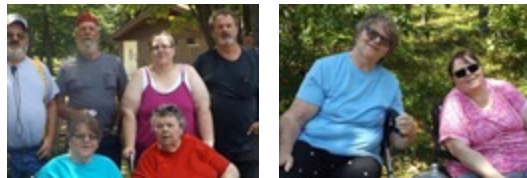
“ *Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum was purchased for the family of Phyllis Ann Causley.*



November 21, 2024 at 08:28 AM



“ *2 files added to the tribute wall*



Gary & Vern Beaumont - November 20, 2024 at 07:07 PM

GB

Aunt Phyllis was a very special person. Loving and caring to so many. She will be very missed ❤️🙏🏻✝️ sending love to our family in their time of loss. God Bless ✝️❤️✝️

Gary & Vern Beaumont - November 20, 2024 at 07:10 PM

BP

“ I knew Phyllis since I was a kid and then had a great chance to be able to work with her and her sister Judy as a CNA She was so very caring and took new hires under her wing. She will be missed by many. Deepest sympathy from Bonnie and Steve.

Bonnie Pattison - November 20, 2024 at 02:34 PM

AC

“ So grateful for our trip this past summer❤️ We love y'all and will be praying for y'all.



Amanda Coats - November 20, 2024 at 01:57 PM



“ Phyllis was such a funny and amazing person. She was so sweet and welcoming to our family and treated us like her own family. We will miss her feisty attitude and seeing her during Sunday dinners as she waited impatiently for her dessert. We love you Gram!

Leeann Wright - November 20, 2024 at 12:38 PM



“ Scott and Tracy Menard purchased the Arrive in Style for the family of Phyllis Ann Causley.



Scott and Tracy Menard - November 20, 2024 at 12:36 PM



“ Scott and Tracy Menard planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Phyllis Ann Causley.

Scott and Tracy Menard - November 20, 2024 at 12:36 PM



“ Beautiful Heart Bouquet was purchased for the family of Phyllis Ann Causley.



November 20, 2024 at 12:29 PM