



## Melva Jean Kuerth

June 13, 1921 - May 27, 2016

Melva Jean Kuerth  
Grand Ledge

Formerly of Beulah, MI passed away May 27, 2016. She was a devoted wife to her late husband of 64 years, Carl James Kuerth. She is survived by her children, James (Gina) Kuerth of Seneca, SC and Lynda (Geoffrey) Buitendorp of Grand Ledge, MI; grandchildren, Shane (Brittany) Kuerth, Stephanie (Jeffrey) Hoffman, Erin (Husband: Paul Wozniak) Buitendorp, twins, Shawn and Claire Buitendorp, and Kelly (Kelvin) Jenkins; great grandchildren, Bradley Owens, Ethan Carl Hoffman, Easton Kuerth, Skylar Elisabeth Jenkins; and sister-in-law Helen Norton. Melva is preceded in death by her daughter-in-law Joan, brothers and sisters-in-law, Richard and Harold Kuerth, Marjorie Derflinger, sisters, Barbara (Lawrence) Ames and Mary (Durwood) Holmes.

Melva was born June 13, 1921 in Muskegon, MI to the late Charles and Alice (Boersema) Lupher. She graduated from Muskegon High School in 1939 and held various secretarial and budgetary employment positions. She will be remembered for spending time with family and friends up North at the cottage, her handmade quilts for her children and grandchildren and the wonderful meals she prepared, especially her homemade dinner and cinnamon rolls, and pies. Everyone who knew her knew of her love for chocolate and a good book.

Graveside services will be held in Maple Grove Cemetery, Empire, MI. Memorial contributions may be given to Heartland Hospice of Mason, MI or any local V.F.W. in memory of Melva. Online condolences and memories at [www.holihanatkin.com](http://www.holihanatkin.com)

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“ Mrs Kuerth always had a very clean house. Lynda and I did a lot of dusting. She insisted the living room be dusted daily! My mother only dusted weekly. Lynda and I also had many projects at their house. Like club in the basement with the Tardoni girls. Or making our own paper dolls complete with outfits for Santa and Mrs. Claus. Or making a house complete with rooms in the basement. Mrs Kuerth never messed up our projects or complained about them. She always supported the kids. Took us places, cooked lots of dinners, and sewed a lot. And let us eat frozen strawberries right out of the freezer. She delighted in her family. She will be missed. Carol and Gary Beatty and family

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“ Hey family. So sorry to have Melva die so suddenly. She was like a second Mom to me during the Beach Wood years. Skippy 1 and 2 were always there to greet me and Mrs Kuerth too . She had many tasks for Lynda and since I was the a lot, for me too. Like cleaning the kitchen floor which we did with sliding on a wet rag, crashed into the table, and broke the leg.

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