



## Ann L. Olds

August 26, 1948 - July 13, 2015

Ann L. Olds of Charlotte a loving wife, mother, grandmother and sister passed away July 13, 2015. Ann was born August 26, 1948 in Lansing, Michigan to the late Henry and Florence (McMillen) Knapp.

Ann is Ann again. Early onset Alzheimer's stole her from those who loved her. Harold, her husband of over 45 years cared for her until her last three days, when she went to Eaton Community Palliative Care. Their children, Matt (Karmin), Elizabeth (Josh) Grant, Tony (Maggie) will, through stories and memories, bring to the 11 grandkids the grandma they never got to know. Ann was a gifted artist, devoted Christian and active member of St. Lawrence Avenue United Methodist Church of Charlotte. She also leaves behind siblings, Jane Knapp, Gale (Rob) Harley, John (Gabby) Knapp and mother-in-law, Lavidia Cundiff.

A celebration of Ann's life will be Friday, July 17, 2015, 12pm at South Church, Lansing with Pastor Ben Cuthbert, officiating. Interment will follow at Hillside Cemetery, Delta Township, Eaton Co., MI. Visitation will be Wednesday and Thursday from 6-8:00pm at the Holihan-Atkin Funeral Home, Grand Ledge. Memorial contributions may be given to Hospice Advantage, 801 S. Waverly Road, Suite 304, Lansing, Michigan 48917 or The Alzheimer's Association, Capitol Area Regional Office, 2111 University Park Drive, Suite 200, Okemos, Michigan 48864

# Cemetery Details

## Hillside Cemetery

6415 Delta River Drive  
Lansing, MI 48906-8007

# Previous Events

## Visitation

JUL **15**. 6:00 PM - 8:00 PM (ET)

Holihan-Atkin-Barclay Funeral Home & Cremation Services  
406 N. Bridge Street  
Grand Ledge, MI 48837  
(517) 627-2531  
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## Visitation

JUL **16**. 6:00 PM - 8:00 PM (ET)

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## Service

JUL 17. 12:00 PM (ET)

South Church  
5250 Cornerstone Dr.  
Lansing, MI 48917

# Tribute Wall



“ *Holihan-Atkin-Barclay Funeral Home & Cremation Services created a Tribute Video in memory of Ann L. Olds*



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**Holihan-Atkin-Barclay Funeral Home** - July 15, 2015 at 05:14 PM

KC

“ *Ann was always very nice to work with at Lawrence Avenue United Methodist. I always enjoyed her help. Ken Cool*

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**Ken Cool** - July 17, 2015 at 11:11 AM

VM

“ *Ann was one of the first to see the value of Summer Games in youth lives. Her support of campers/youth to come to Summer Games was encouraging to Jane Burns and myself. She was kind and committed to her Lord. Wonderful example to those who moved in her circle or crossed her path.*

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**Vicky Metters** - July 17, 2015 at 09:38 AM

GF

“ Dear Harold and Family,

We are grateful to you, Harold, as you have lived out the Christian faith before us in your love and devotion to Ann in all seasons of your lives and particularly in these recent years of Ann's deep need. We are grateful to Ann for nurturing our children and many children of the Charlotte community in the Christian faith as Director of Christian Education, Sunday School teacher, and youth worker at Lawrence Avenue United Methodist Church during the years of our ministry there. Through Ann's warm smile, her Christian grace, her devotion to Christian Education and her Sunday morning children's stories, she made the love of Christ very real to all.

One of Ann's special gifts was her smile. An unknown poet wrote: "A smile costs nothing but gives much--It takes but a moment, but the memory of it usually lasts forever. None are so rich that can get along without it--And none are so poor but that can be made rich by it. It enriches those who receive Without making poor those who give-- It creates sunshine in the home, Fosters good will in business And is the best antidote for trouble--And yet it cannot be begged, borrowed or stolen, for it is of no value Unless it is freely given away. Some People are too busy to give you a smile--Give them one of yours-- For the good Lord knows that no one needs a smile so badly As he or she who has no more smiles left to give."

We are sure that Ann is smiling once again. Thoughts of her her family brought smiles to her face. Whenever we take time to share a smile with others we will be remembering Ann and we will be remembering the love of our Lord.

Pastors George and Edna Fleming.

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George Fleming - July 17, 2015 at 07:25 AM

BN

“ *Harold I'm sorry for your lost. You and your family are in my thoughts and prayers*

*Bill Niblock*

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**Bill Niblock** - July 16, 2015 at 03:53 PM

EA

“ *Emma and Maria. Mesa, AZ purchased the Enchanted Cottage for the family of Ann L. Olds.*



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**Emma and Maria. Mesa, AZ** - July 16, 2015 at 11:50 AM

KC

“ *Our deepest sympathy Harold and the family. What a beautiful, moving video tribute by Holihan-Akin. God Bless. Kent & K.C. Cudney.*

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**Kent Cudney** - July 16, 2015 at 10:35 AM



“ *Enchanted Cottage was purchased for the family of Ann L. Olds.*



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July 15, 2015 at 09:33 PM

JL

“ *Harold and family...  
Ann was such a special lady...our thoughts and prayers are with all  
of you!*

*Hugs,  
Scott and Jeannine Leslie*

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**JC Leslie** - July 15, 2015 at 09:09 PM



“ *Beautiful in Blue was purchased for the family of  
Ann L. Olds.*



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July 15, 2015 at 04:27 PM



“ *Secret Garden Basket was purchased for the  
family of Ann L. Olds.*



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July 15, 2015 at 02:27 PM

MI

“ *Harold and Family,*

*My thoughts and prayers are with all of you. Ann was my classmate  
and friend. Know she was well thought of and loved by all.*

*God Bless  
Mike Irish*

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**Michael Irish** - July 15, 2015 at 07:53 AM

MD

“ Praying for your family Harold

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**MARK DANIELS** - July 14, 2015 at 11:25 PM

DT

“ Harold and family, we pray for God's peace and joy to surround you during this time. We know Ann is in a better place today and look forward to seeing her again. We have so many wonderful memories of Ann. She made a huge impact in our marriage, our business, our spiritual walk, and so many other areas. She will never be forgotten and we are so appreciative of how she touched our lives. We praise God that the two of you were brought into our lives 23 years ago. God bless you! We love you so much.

*Dave and Lisa TeRoller*

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**Dave & Lisa TeRoller** - July 14, 2015 at 11:19 PM

MO

“ When I think of Ann she exemplifies the word "Grace" & I keep hearing the song " she's got style, she's got grace, she's a winner". Heaven has won another angel. I see her & hear her in Matt, Liz & Tony-her legacy lives in them--"her voice may be silent but the beauty of her spirit echoes within each of their hearts". Harold you are my hero & you've been an amazing care giver for Ann- AMAZING!! May she rest in heavenly peace & peace be with all of her family--feel her pride & love. With loving prayers, Maggie (cousin)

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**Maggie Olds** - July 14, 2015 at 07:37 PM

RR

“ Ann was such a blessing to us. She always had a way of making you feel like a better person just by talking to her. She will always hold a special place in our hearts. Prayers, love and peace to the entire family.

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**Randy & Tammy Rietema** - July 14, 2015 at 07:11 PM

KV

“ Ann was such a beautiful person, inside and out. I have such wonderful memories of us growing up together in Delta Mills. I remember Ann on her wedding day, such a wonderful picture to share with us.

*Harold, you, your children & grandchildren, your mother, Jane, Gail & John will be in our prayers as you remember Ann.*

*Karen (Holben) & Lyle VanHouten*

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**Karen VanHouten** - July 14, 2015 at 05:45 PM

JK

“ John and Gaby Knapp purchased the Peaceful White Lilies Basket for the family of Ann L. Olds.



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**John and Gaby Knapp** - July 14, 2015 at 05:19 PM

SS

“ Our thoughts are with your family in this hard time. Ann was a wonderful lady and will be missed.

*Joe, Sarita, Anne, and Emmaline Shetenhelm*

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**Sarita Shetenhelm** - July 14, 2015 at 04:31 PM

MM

“ *What a beautiful picture of Ann! I so remember playing flute with her in the band. She was always smiling and happy. My heart goes out to Harold and the whole family.*

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**marilyn merrifield** - July 14, 2015 at 02:57 PM

LM

*Such a beautiful lady - my heartfelt sympathy to the family. May God ease your pain and help you remember all the special times with her*

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**Linda Miller** - July 14, 2015 at 05:01 PM

MO

*I grew up in Delta Mills with Ann and her family and what a wonderful family they were. Ann was always so cheerful and fun to be around. Prayers for the family and a special prayers for Harold as we know how much she will be missed!*

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**Margaret Oberdank** - July 14, 2015 at 09:11 PM

BJ

“ *Ann always had a smile! She was so kind and soft spoken and always genuinely curious about what was going on with me and my family. I will miss her dearly. Many hugs to everyone. I love you, Beth Johnston*

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**Beth Johnston** - July 14, 2015 at 09:10 AM

GF

*What a gal! Ann was always a delight to be in contact with on our "journeys" to school each day. She always had this beautiful smile that would make everyone smile back. She is one of God's special angels now and blessed many people by a presence in their lives. Blessings to the entire Knapp and Olds family, you'll be in our prayers.*

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**Gary and Joanne Ford** - July 14, 2015 at 02:21 PM

BT

*Ann will be deeply missed - she was such a kind, gentle and genuine soul. I think she always had a smile for everyone. Prayers to all of her family and may your many memories and knowing you have a special guardian angel bring you peace. So honored and blessed to have her be a part of our family.*

*Bob and Norma Trommater*

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**Bob and Norma Trommater** - July 14, 2015 at 08:37 PM

BH

*Grew-up with Ann, Jane, Gail and John in Delta Mills. What a wonderful lady from an awesome family. I remember when we were kids playing in the barn, ice-skating on the pond, and riding horses. Ann always had that great smile and genuine personality that made you comfortable How beautiful Ann was at her and Harold's wedding and the wonderful reception celebrated at her parent's home. That was just the beginning of a special family anchored by this exceptional lady. My condolences to Harold and the rest of the family.*

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**Barry Horne** - July 14, 2015 at 08:57 PM

JH

*Ann was a sweet & gentle soul who had an infectious laugh that I can still hear!! She was a positive influence on others....very friendly, supportive, & caring. Her legacy lives on with her 3 wonderful children, Matt, Liz, & Tony. Her devoted and loving husband, Harold, was an admiral caregiver who I'm very proud of. You, also, are my hero!!!! Heaven has gained another angel who will be with us forever. Rest in peace, Ann Knapp Olds.*

*Jan Horne (cousin)*

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**Jan Horne** - July 15, 2015 at 10:33 AM

SS

*I did not know Ann until our "mid-life" years at meetings and traveling to Amway functions. My husband and I were so blessed to become associates and friends with Ann and Harold. She was a delight to be around and that infectious smile lit up every room she was in! So sorry Harold, for you and your family to have lost such a wonderful woman. Many hugs and my prayers go up for all of you while struggling with your grief!*

*Sharon Sanford (Dennis passed away 3 yrs ago) But Douglas and Janero remember you all as well!*

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**Sharon Sanford** - July 15, 2015 at 12:52 PM

MB

*I, too, grew up with Ann in Delta Mills. Though we lost touch over the years, I've always remembered her beautiful smile, sweet spirit, and the way she cared for those around her. She will be missed, but I pray you will find comfort and peace in the knowledge that she is resting in the loving arms of our Lord.*

*Marilyn (Starr) Bentley*

*1 Thessalonians 4:14 We believe that Jesus died and rose again and so we believe that God will bring with Jesus those who have fallen asleep in Him.*

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**Marilyn (Starr) Bentley** - July 15, 2015 at 09:13 PM