



## Bessie Jean "Jake" Husted

December 11, 1922 - February 6, 2025

Bessie Jean Husted, a beloved mother, grandmother, and great-grandmother, passed away peacefully on February 6, 2025, at the age of 102. She was born on December 11, 1922, in Teaspoon Corners, Michigan to the late Jesse and Catherine (Chapman) Hunter. Bessie spent her life in the Wacousta area, where she was a dedicated homemaker and a loving caretaker of her family.

Jake was a proud graduate of Eastern High School and became a founding member, alongside her husband, Tom, of Mt. Hope Church. Her faith and commitment to her community were evident in all that she did. Those who knew her will remember her compassionate nature and her creative spirit, which found expression in her beautiful paintings and various crafting and sewing projects.

Jake is survived by her daughter, Laurie (Dave) Staley; her grandchildren, Brinah (Josh) Staley, Bronson Staley, Evan Husted, and Ryan Husted; and her great-grandchildren, Delaney Cook and Wyatt Cook. She leaves behind a legacy of love, creativity, and devotion to family that will remain in the hearts of those who loved her. Bessie was preceded in death by: Keith "Tom" Husted; Son and Daughter-in-law, Gregory and Sandy Husted.

A graveside service will be held in her honor on February 11, 2025, at 11:00 AM at Wacousta Cemetery, Watertown Township, Clinton County, Michigan,

with Pastor Duane Feldpausch of Mt. Hope Church, officiating.

She will be deeply missed by her family and all who had the privilege to know her. Memorial contributions may be given to the Capital Area Humane Society, 7095 W. Grand River Avenue, Lansing, Michigan 48906 (<https://interland3.donorperfect.net/weblink/weblink.aspx?name=cahsad&id=23>). Arrangements by the Holihan-Atkin-Barclay Funeral Home, Grand Ledge. Share your memories and condolences online at [www.holihanatkin.com](http://www.holihanatkin.com)

# Previous Events


## Graveside Service

FEB 11. 11:00 AM (ET)

Wacousta Cemetery  
13500 Wacousta Road  
Grand Ledge, MI 48837

# Tribute Wall

PB

“ There has never been a time when your family wasn't in my life! I am so thankful that our dads met as children right in the heart of Wacousta so that it could be that way. Your mom's laugh always made my heart feel light & happy and I don't think there was ever a time that I wasn't referred to as "Sam" by your dad. I am truly grateful to be so blessed to have known you my entire life Laurie. I am here for you as you have been here for me and I will always hold all of the beautiful memories I have of your mom close to my 

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**Pam Brown** - February 12, 2025 at 12:53 AM

JW

“ I was blessed to find my birth family and my seven living aunts, my Mother's sisters. It took a little while for Aunt Jake to fully accept me into the family, but when she did it was 100%. We grew close over time and she would call me every Christmas season. I so looked forward to those calls and chats we shared. I was blessed to have her in my life and will miss her greatly. Love you Aunt Jake.

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**Joan M Whaley** - February 11, 2025 at 09:33 AM

DS

“ Sorry for your loss. Jake will be deeply missed. Such a sweet kind soul.

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**Dawn Sherman** - February 10, 2025 at 11:09 AM

JJ

“ We have so many memories that go back to the 60s when we moved into the neighborhood.  
Tom and Jake were great neighbors. We snowmobile together. Put in our pools at the same time.  
Jake like to read. Always had a book going up until the age of 100.  
We went to arts and crafts together. The results of our hard work always ended up with a good laugh. Jake had an infectious laugh once she started we were all laughing.  
She was a very talented artist. Her paintings were beautifully done and proud to display them.  
Jack and I enjoyed our visits through the years.  
We will miss Jake dearly.  
May you rest in peace our dear friend ❤️  
Jack and Jan

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jack and Jan - February 09, 2025 at 01:31 PM