



Ellen Ann Lunden

July 3, 1940 - October 17, 2020

Ellen Ann Lunden of Delta Township passed away peacefully with her family on October 17, 2020 after a courageous four year battle with several health challenges. Ellen was born July 3, 1940 in Lansing, Michigan to the late George and Thelma (Lake) Clark of Small's Mens Store. She graduated from Lansing Sexton High School Class of 1958 and went on to receive a Bachelor's Degree from Michigan State University. She started her career as an educator with Grand Ledge Public Schools in 1963 and spent much of her time teaching high school business. She was honored and received several outstanding teaching awards at the local and state level. After retiring, Ellen enjoyed spending time at the family cottage on Houghton Lake and traveling with her loving husband Tom. Ellen was always active and enjoyed biking, running, hiking, aerobics, swimming and golf. She was a member of the Country Club of Lansing for 12 years, and the Michigan Athletic Club for over 20 years. She was a loving wife, proud mother and cherished her role as a grandmother. She will be dearly missed by all who knew her.

She is survived by her husband of over 60 years, Thomas; their children, Jennifer Harter and Michael Lunden and their spouses Jay and Teresa. Ellen is also survived by her grandchildren, Jacob and Jordan Harter and Lynsi and Jordan Montgomery, and by her younger brother Gary Clark and spouse Glen Sard, along with several nieces and nephews. Ellen was preceded in death by her older brother, Ron Clark.

A graveside service to honor Ellen's life will be scheduled in the spring of 2021. In lieu of flowers, memorial contributions in Ellen's name 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>) or to the Wounded Warrior Project, 4899 Belfort Road, Suite 300, Jacksonville, Florida 32256 (https://support.woundedwarriorproject.org/default.aspx?tsid=10043&ovr_acv_id=5246). Arrangements made by the Holihan-Atkin-Barclay Funeral Home, Grand Ledge. You may share your memories and condolences online at www.holihanatkin.com

Tribute Wall

SI

“ *Ellen was such a WONDERFUL FRIEND AND WOMAN!!!!
I AM SOOOO SAD FOR HER LOSS OF LIFE!!!!
I WILL MISS HER FOR EVER!!!!!!
MY BEST
SANDIE IDEMA*



SANDIE IDEMA - December 09, 2020 at 03:23 AM

SJ

“ *Ellen was a dear friend and an amazing woman!!!*

Sandie Idema & John - November 19, 2020 at 04:07 AM

AS

“ *Mrs. Lunden was a great teacher and a personal inspiration during a time I really struggled in high school. I will always remember her encouragement and how she was always smiling.*

April Stopczynski - October 30, 2020 at 11:03 AM

RB

“ *Dear Tom, Suzanne and I are so sorry at Ellen's passing. You and your family are in our prayers. Rufus.*

Rufus + Suzanne Bailey - October 27, 2020 at 11:20 AM

MA

“ *Ellen was a wonderful colleague who was welcoming and helpful with the total business department at Grand Ledge High School and she set a standard of excellence in her teaching and in the standards she wanted her students to achieve. I personally feel extra lucky that I was able to have Ellen as a friend and colleague in my work life.*

Mary Ann Austin - October 26, 2020 at 04:00 PM

SW

I was a teacher's aide for Mrs. Lunden many years ago. She was a very caring teacher and taught me many things. She was the only teacher that I went back to see after graduating from high school. I am so sorry for your loss.

Sherry Willadson - November 01, 2020 at 08:15 PM

SB

“ *Mike,*

My thoughts and prayers are with you and your family.

Steve Boehm

Steve Boehm - October 25, 2020 at 01:49 PM

PS

“ *She was my teacher in several business classes. She was a wonderful woman and amazing teacher...always willing to listen and help.*

Pat Olds Stewart - October 25, 2020 at 01:12 PM

DT

“ Ellen was one of a large group of veteran teachers who welcomed me as a new teacher at Grand Ledge High School. She always had a smile on her face, was full of energy, and had a great sense of humor. A terrific teacher and a wonderful person. My condolences to the family.

Deb Traxinger

Deborah L. Traxinger - October 24, 2020 at 09:53 AM

RB

I had Mrs. Lunden for typing class in the early 70's at GLHS. I always remember her as very nice and with a smile on her face. My thoughts and prayers to her family during this time of loss.

Ruth Brouwer - October 24, 2020 at 01:59 PM

KJ

Ellen was, indeed, a very classy lady and a wonderful influence and example for teenagers. I loved her laugh and attitude. And I forgave her for blaming me the day she locked her keys in the car while it was running...all day.

Kathy Jackson - October 24, 2020 at 08:46 PM

SS

I had Ellen for several business classes and then later worked with her when I was hired at GLPS . She always looked and acted professionally, and her warm personality drew both teenagers and co-workers to her. Prayers to her family.

Sandy Sipes - October 25, 2020 at 09:44 AM

JW

I had Mrs. Lunden for Econ at GLHS. She was a great teacher and an avid MSU sports fan so we got along great. My condolences to the Lunden family.

-Jay Wise, Class of '94

Jay Wise - October 25, 2020 at 03:19 PM

JS

Ellen was my Typing teacher in High School. She was well liked by her students and myself. I also enjoyed our contacts once I started teaching PE with Tom at Gardner. A wonderful women. I am so sorry for your loss Tom and Family and her brother Gary who I have talk to when he was judging skating at Suburban Ice. My thoughts and prayers are with you all.

*Jo Anne Earl Seman
Class of '67 and Gardner Jr. High PE Teacher*

Jo Anne Earl Seman - October 25, 2020 at 03:54 PM