



## Irene F. Barclay

March 18, 1940 - April 12, 2021

Irene F. Barclay of Ionia went to be with the Lord on April 12, 2021 in Grand Rapids. Irene was born March 18, 1940 in Ionia, Michigan to the late Edward M. and June I. (Randall) Nelson. She graduated from Muir-Lyons High School Class of 1958. She was a loving wife and proud stay at home mom raising four children. She enjoyed reading and displayed her artistic abilities in ceramic pieces she designed. Irene always looked forward to spending time with her family during special holiday celebrations and family dinners. The family also remembers the special memories of family camping trips and traveling together. Irene especially enjoyed traveling to the Smoky Mountains Gatlinburg area. She will be remembered for her commitment and love for her family and the many lives that she touched.

She is survived by her husband of over 62 years, Vern; children, Michael (Martha), Steven (Wende), Terry and Nicki (Mark) Ferris; grandchildren, Kirk (Jodi) Ferris, Erica (Peter) Antioco, Jennifer, Madison and Logan Barclay; great grandchildren, Lucian and Otis; sisters, Linda Syrjola, Shirley Daggett and Joyce (Ivan) Hardenburg along with several nieces and nephews. Irene was preceded in death by her grandson, Brandon John Ferris and brother, Robert Nelson.

A funeral service will be held Friday, April 16, 2021, 12:00pm at the Holihan-Atkin-Barclay Funeral Home, Grand Ledge. Visitation will be 1 hour prior to the service from 11-12:00pm. Interment will be at Sunset Memorial Gardens in Ionia. Covid protocols requiring masks, social distancing and capacity

limitation will be observed. Memorial contributions may be given to the Parkinson's Foundation, 1359 Broadway, Suite 1509, New York, New York 10018 ([https://secure3.convio.net/prkorg/site/SPageNavigator/2017\\_donate\\_form\\_2.html?\\_ga=2.236012545.1045785163.1618417336-218431445.1618417336](https://secure3.convio.net/prkorg/site/SPageNavigator/2017_donate_form_2.html?_ga=2.236012545.1045785163.1618417336-218431445.1618417336)).

# Cemetery Details

## Sunset Memorial Gardens

2811 S. State Road  
Ionia, MI 48846

# Previous Events

## Visitation

APR 16. 11:00 AM - 12:00 PM (ET)

Holihan-Atkin-Barclay Funeral Home & Cremation Services  
406 N. Bridge Street  
Grand Ledge, MI 48837  
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## Service

APR 16. 12:00 PM (ET)

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# Tribute Wall



“ *Basket Full of Wishes was purchased for the family of Irene F. Barclay.*



April 15, 2021 at 09:33 PM



“ *Sweet Tranquility Basket was purchased for the family of Irene F. Barclay.*



April 15, 2021 at 09:33 PM



“ *So sorry to hear of your loss of wife and mother. My heart and prayers are with you during this difficult time. Remember the days of playing cards in years past. Char Gorby*

**Char Kay Gorby** - April 15, 2021 at 01:45 PM



“ *Serene Retreat was purchased for the family of Irene F. Barclay.*



April 15, 2021 at 10:10 AM

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“ Aunt Irene and I shared a love of reading and exchanged many a bag of books. I'd enjoy a glass of ice tea and a good visit with her and Uncle Vern.

*I am so sorry for your loss, but may her love for all of you give you peace and joy in the days ahead.*

*Karie*

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**Karie Barclay** - April 15, 2021 at 08:17 AM



“ Enchanted Cottage was purchased for the family of Irene F. Barclay.



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April 14, 2021 at 10:15 PM