



Janet Elaine McCaffrey

February 9, 1933 - April 24, 2024

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A loving wife, mother, and grandmother passed away peacefully after a long battle with Alzheimer's on April 24, 2024. Born Janet Elaine Bacon to Orville James and Neva (Sieb) Bacon on February 9, 1933.

Janet married her high school sweetheart, Lawrence "Ted" McCaffrey, Jr in August 1954. Together they had many adventures traveling, as well as living in different parts of the country. They both enjoyed many friendships and being part of local communities from Grand Ledge, Michigan to Amelia Island, Florida. Returning to Michigan in later years to retire close to their children and grandchildren.

Janet and Ted were the proud parents of their children, Larry (Star) McCaffrey, Cindy Lugibihl, Deana (Len) Mingus. As well as many grandchildren: Brianne (Matt) Dennis, Shannon (Matt) Simon, Alexandria (Cody) Crippen, Sage (Lindsey) Mingus, Harlie Mingus, Jace Mingus; Great grandchildren Braden, Conner, Elyssa, Parker, Ellie, Quinn, Lyla and Evalyn.

Janet was an extremely talented artist and writer, beginning at a very young age. Her love of books and reading started with her very own library as a child. She enjoyed writing poems and short stories, and spent many years as the author of a newspaper column, "Jan's Scrapbook" which ran in papers in the Grand Ledge Independent, as well as the NewsLeader (a NY Times publication) in Fernandina Beach, Florida. Janet also authored and was published in poetry books and fiction novels, including her own book, a

murder mystery. Many of her family members have copies of her poems and paintings that she completed over the years. She had a great sense of humor and always kept us entertained, whether she meant to or not!

In addition to her abundant creativity, she was no slacker! Janet had many jobs over her 91 years. Beginning with Oldsmobile, the State of Michigan, State Farm Insurance, and three small-town newspapers. She was a successful manager with Tupperware; sold Avon, and Act II Jewelry. She was involved in many organizations, including the President of her women's group at church in Lansing; a member of Habitat for Humanity in Florida, and for a time she taught writing classes. To say she was a busy woman who loved being part of her community is an understatement! She was on a bowling team, enjoyed playing Bridge with friends and completed many crossword puzzles over the years!

Janet was preceded in death by her husband Ted; her brother, Darrel Bacon; and infant daughter, Theresa Ann.

Her family will be having a small private "Celebration of Life" in May. If you would like to send a memorial in honor of Janet, please consider The Alzheimer's Association: http://act.alz.org/goto/Janet_Mccaffrey.

Arrangements by the Holihan-Atkin-Barclay Funeral Home, Grand Ledge. Share your memories and condolences online at www.holihanatkin.com

Tribute Wall

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“ *Char lit a candle in memory of Janet McCaffrey*



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“ *Many years ago, I worked with Jan at the GL Independent office. I have fond memories of her smile. She was very friendly and helpful, and yes very involved with all things Grand Ledge. Sending condolences to her family.*

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