



Julia Elizabeth Larson

July 10, 1960 - November 26, 2021

Julia Elizabeth Larson passed away unexpectedly at her home in Olivet, Michigan on November 26, 2021. Julie was born July 10, 1960 in Davenport, Iowa to Lee and Lucretia (Fagan) Schneider. She graduated from Pleasant Valley, Iowa High School Class of 1978, attended Michigan Tech University and graduated with distinction from Colorado State University Pueblo with a Bachelor's Degree in Metallurgical Engineering in 1983. She was fourth in her class. Julie moved to Marshall, Michigan working for Eaton Co. in the Engine Component Division and also met the love of her life Ralph Larson and they were united in marriage on August 31, 1991. In 1999, Julie became the owner and operator of Ledges Printing and simultaneously developed her own design company called ENT Graphic Design. She ultimately focused exclusively on the design work and sold Ledges Printing. With her many years of experience in printing and design work Julie was a member of the Michigan Letterpress Guild. Julie enjoyed serving others and she did that in both Grand Ledge through the Chamber of Commerce and her faith community. She especially enjoyed promoting Victorian Days in Grand Ledge and was also a longtime faithful member of the Olivet Congregational Church where she was essential in developing the live stream capability which was especially important during the pandemic. Julie also served as a sound technician and was the Director of the Mission Board.

She is survived by her husband of 31 years, Ralph; her parents; brother, William Lee (Ann) Schneider; nieces, Kelly Schneider and Megan (Roger)

Crew; great niece, Indie Crew along with uncles, Bill Schneider and Jim Schneider.

A memorial service will be held Saturday, December 4, 2021, 1:00 pm at the Olivet Congregational Church, 125 College Street, Olivet, MI 49076 with The Reverend Garry Fisher, officiating. Visitation will be Saturday at the church from 12:00 pm until the time of the service at 1:00 pm. Memorial contributions in Julie's name may be given to the Olivet Congregational Church.

Arrangements by the Holihan-Atkin-Barclay Funeral Home, Grand Ledge.

Previous Events

Visitation

DEC 4. 12:00 PM - 1:00 PM (ET)

Olivet Congregational Church
125 Olivet Street
Olivet, MI 49076

Memorial Service

DEC 4. 1:00 PM (ET)

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Tribute Wall



“ *Julie was one my early students in NDT training at Belmond plant and her depth and quest for knowledge and enthusiasm to learn new tech was very apparent. It was a pleasure to work with her and her dedication to the right thing to do was outstanding. I will miss her as a compassionate friend! My heart of sorrow goes out to Ralph and also her family. - Simon Narasimhan in Marshall MI.*

Simon Narasimhan - December 05, 2021 at 05:00 PM

MB

“ *We have another emissary in heaven, Julia. A kind spirit, a loving heart, and warm soul. A caring member of the local church and community. A valuable part of the Eaton engineering team. She lived a full life and answered the call of entrepreneurship through the operation of her printing business. We know she earned her angel wings everyday in her charitably efforts at church and in serving the needy of the community but especially in the care of her loving husband Ralph. She has really big angel wings from the care of Ralph. Love can be shown in many ways and care for your loved ones. July you did a great job in Ralph's care and now it is our job to continue what you have begun-the ever increasing love for your church, community, and especially our friend Ralph.
Michael Bujold coworker and friend*

Michael Bujold - December 02, 2021 at 08:29 AM

SP

Well said. I do not have enough words to express the kindness and quiet help Julie always demonstrated. Her deeds were countless and her devotion to Ralph was genuine and her love was shown in action not words. She will be missed by so many and hopefully we can honor her by continuing her work at church and giving support to Ralph. Being church secretary Julie helped me and contributed in countless ways.

Sharon Palacio - December 02, 2021 at 08:45 AM

RL

“ Both Julia and I were metallurgists, although she moved on to printing and graphic design. When she had brought home what she considered a neat report on an engine component.....which had a beautiful fracture, I was amazed by her! In discussing it there was a sense of how she could find wonder in the smallest details which told the story of how the part had performed. It had lived the life required and then failed after a bit I agreed it was a wonderful failure....and we had a habit of having fun with words...and she said it was a joy-ous fracture, and turned on a piece of Bach as we mapped the fracture.
It had run it's life and there was a wonder to it.

I am now fractured, I have lost my better half. So like that part I am now broken....and like that part this is a joy-ous fracture, filled with the wonders and small things that we did together. My pain in her loss is because of the joy she brought to me and to so many others. It is a great pain as it should be because of how great things were with us.

She loved to do one small thing for someone, often at random and preferably not that obvious but needed by that person at that time. These were what she called her mustard seeds....if anything try this as a habit for a few days. Perhaps you too can find the joy and wonder.

*I thank her parents for raising such a good lady, and competent engineer, my friend. I thank her coworkers, those that worked for her, those that she helped, and those that worshiped with her.
Thank you all for this joy that is in what has torn me.*

Ralph Larson - December 01, 2021 at 09:08 PM



“ [Memorial Trees](https://www.holihanatkin.com/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) was purchased for the family of Julia Elizabeth Larson.

December 01, 2021 at 06:06 PM



“ Beautiful in Blue was purchased for the family of Julia Elizabeth Larson.



December 01, 2021 at 03:21 PM



“ Yan Eydinov purchased the Beautiful in Blue for the family of Julia Elizabeth Larson.



Yan Eydinov - November 30, 2021 at 04:10 PM



“ I first met Julie when she purchased Ledges Printing. I was already an employee. Those were the best years. Julie was the best employer that I have ever experienced. Always kind and would never expect you to do anything she wouldn't. I also participated in Victorian Days with Julie where she would demonstrate an antique printing press and give out printed bookmarks. She was truly a wonderful person. Always in our hearts.

Schatzie Lee - November 30, 2021 at 08:54 AM

DB

“ Debra McFadden and Victoria Bouwens purchased the Emerald Garden Basket for the family of Julia Elizabeth Larson.



Debra McFadden and Victoria Bouwens - November 29, 2021 at 10:32 AM

EC

“ Eaton Corporation purchased the Beautiful in Blue for the family of Julia Elizabeth Larson.



Eaton Corporation - November 29, 2021 at 09:46 AM

CM

“ How I loved talking to Julie. We shared so many things in common. She always encouraged me and showed me ways to sell my jewelry on line. We tossed ideas around on what might be a good seller. But mostly, Julie and I had a very strong bond over just which politician we both despised. We truly did have a lot of fun with that one. We'd talk for hours, covering topics from cats and crafts to hopes for the coming year. I will miss her well thought out answers to my questions. We shared a love for Jesus and many thoughts about drawing back young people to the church. Julie was easy to love.
Carol Metzger

Carol Metzger - November 28, 2021 at 08:28 PM

RS

No one can ever really prepare for the passing of a loved one. But to have one taken in the prime of life without warning turns your world upside down.

Our Family is devastated by the sudden loss of Julie.

Though distance was between us our family bond was strong. We loved our family gatherings and were blessed that Julie visited just a short time ago. Rest In Peace till we meet again. Ann

rose Ann Schneider - December 03, 2021 at 09:10 PM