



Marguerite Lucille Platte

April 6, 1936 - February 15, 2025

Marguerite Lucille Platte, a beloved mother, grandmother, and friend, passed away peacefully on February 15, 2025, at the age of 88. She was born on April 6, 1936, in Woodland, MI, to the late Vernice and Lucille (Johnson) Raffler, and was one of ten cherished children in her family.

Marguerite graduated from Woodland High School as a proud member of the Class of 1954. She devoted her life to raising her two wonderful children, Phillip and Kathryn, nurturing them with love and compassion. In her later years, she found fulfillment working at Tendercare - West, where she provided exceptional care and support for the residents, touching many lives with her kindness and gentle spirit.

Her passions included tending to her vibrant flowers and cultivating her garden, where her love for nature flourished. She also enjoyed canning, turning the bounty of her garden into cherished family recipes that brought everyone together.

Marguerite is survived by her daughter Kathryn (Michael Daniels) Platte and son Phillip (Tracy) Platte; grandchildren Kaitlyn E. Daniels, Joseph N. Daniels, William C.M. Daniels, Danielle R. (Luke) Kelley, and Zachary (Chelsea Zerias) Platte; and her dear brother, Marvin (Sue) Raffler. Each of these relationships was a testament to the love she poured into her family.

A funeral service celebrating her life will take place on Wednesday, February 19, 2025, at 1:00 PM at Holihan-Atkin-Barclay Funeral Home, Grand Ledge. Visitation will be held Tuesday from 6-8:00 PM and Wednesday from 12noon until the time of the service at 1:00 PM. Following the service a gathering to celebrate her life and have refreshments will take place at the Masonic Temple located at 200 W. River St in Grand Ledge. Marguerite will be laid to rest at Oakwood Cemetery next to Delbert.

Marguerite Lucille Platte will be remembered not only for her nurturing spirit but also for the profound impact she made on everyone lucky enough to know her. Her legacy of love and dedication to family will forever remain in the hearts of those she touched.

Marguerite was preceded in death by infant daughter, Elaine Platte, husband Delbert and brothers, Arthur Raffler, Vernon Raffler, Elwyn "Dutch" Raffler, Richard Raffler, Larry Raffler, Arnold Raffler, Donald Raffler, Darwin Raffler.

Memorial contributions may be given to the American Cancer Society, P.O. Box 1640, Hagerstown, Maryland 21741 (<https://donate.cancer.org/?campaign=default&lang=en>) or the University of Michigan Health, Sparrow Foundation, Hospice Services, 1322 E. Michigan Avenue, Suite 204, Lansing, Michigan 48912 (<https://secure.qgiv.com/for/spaheasys>) . Share your memories and condolences online at www.holihanatkin.com

Cemetery Details

Oakwood Cemetery

299 Halbert Street
Grand Ledge, MI 48837

Previous Events

Visitation

FEB 18. 6:00 PM - 8:00 PM (ET)

Holihan-Atkin-Barclay Funeral Home and Cremation Services
406 N Bridge Street
Grand Ledge, MI 48837

Visitation

FEB 19. 12:00 PM - 1:00 PM (ET)

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Funeral Service

FEB 19. 1:00 PM (ET)

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Tribute Wall



“ *Enchanted Cottage was purchased for the family of Marguerite Lucille Platte.* ”



February 18, 2025 at 02:12 PM



“ *Chelsea and zach purchased the Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum for the family of Marguerite Lucille Platte.* ”



Chelsea and zach - February 18, 2025 at 09:25 AM



“ *Country Basket Blooms was purchased for the family of Marguerite Lucille Platte.* ”



February 18, 2025 at 08:57 AM



“ *A [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) was planted in honor of Marguerite Lucille Platte.* ”

February 18, 2025 at 08:57 AM

BW

“ I have many fond memories of camping and picnics with Aunt Marguerite, Uncle Del, Kathy and Phil. Their camper van was just the coolest. One of my earliest childhood memories is my brother Jeff and I staying there for a few days... I'm thinking probably while sister Sarah was born? Anyway, I remember loving the kind way that Marguerite would wake us up in the morning, so I pretended to be asleep until she came to wake me up. It didn't matter who else came, I continued to pretend to sleep until she came. Looking back, I'm sure I fooled no one and that was probably pretty annoying, but she came and magically I would get up and ready for the day. Part of her magic was in her patience, kindness and her joy. I hope I can always recall her laughter, so contagious.

Brenda White - February 17, 2025 at 04:46 PM

MP

I worked for several years with Marguerite at Tender Care West in the Dietary, we were best friends and helped each other through many rough times. She was a very sweet person and a great friend. RIP Now And Find Your New Home.

Margaret Perkins - February 17, 2025 at 07:24 PM



“ Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum was purchased for the family of Marguerite Lucille Platte.



February 17, 2025 at 02:18 PM

DP

“ I remember when we went camping together with Uncle Del and Marguerite, Phil and Kathy. One time, we camped at Silver Lake State Park. We had such a BLAST!! We had gone on Mac Woods Dune rides, and had an awesome time. At Silver Lake State Park, there was this tree that had a significant bend in it, so much of a bend that you could literally sit on the tree. Last I knew that particular tree is gone.



Daniel Platte - February 17, 2025 at 12:50 PM

HK

“ Aunt Marguerite always had a smile. To me she was joyful and had the sweetest laugh. I cherish the memories I have with her.

Heidi Koenigsknecht - February 17, 2025 at 12:39 PM

RR

“ Growing up, there were many weekends spent with Aunt Marguerite, Uncle Del, Kathy and Phil. There are so many fond memories. They took me to my first drive in movie. I don't recall what we saw on the big screen, but I do remember Aunt Marguerite putting blankets and pillows in the back in case we got tired during the double feature AND she made popcorn! Our families spent time together on Chippewa Lake where we went swimming and boating. So many picnics were spent on Sunday afternoons. I remember visiting Grandma Raffler and the Raffler family. During these times together, I remember Aunt Marguerite working in the kitchen usually prepping meals for the family. One day, I helped her to make french toast. Aunt Marguerite dipped the bread in an egg and milk mixture and I was shocked. I told her, "My mom doesn't do it like that!" (Later, my mom confirmed that she used the same recipe. 😊) As life moved on, I left my hometown and didn't get to see family as often. When I did see her, she remained her usual kind and gentle self. I cherish the memories and events of my childhood and the large role Aunt Marguerite played. She will be greatly missed.

Ruth Ritzema - February 17, 2025 at 11:37 AM