



Marilyn Ida Selden

July 2, 1930 - April 8, 2021

Marilyn Ida Selden of Eagle passed away April 8, 2021. Marilyn was born July 2, 1930 in Grand Ledge to the Late Joseph and Anna Pauline (Kebler) Galvin. She graduated from Grand Ledge High School Class of 1947 and worked for General Motors, Michigan Bell and ultimately was the first women to be promoted to Heating, Cooling and Pyrotronics Technician for AT&T. Marilyn was a faithful member of the First Baptist Church in Portland where she enjoyed the fellowship with other believers and ministering to those in need, including making bed sheets into bandages for mission work in Bangladesh. She was an incredible carpenter. Marilyn helped build the family home in 1952 and built her own shed with an attached gazebo. She had her very own wood working shop where she created many beautiful pieces. She enjoyed gardening, knitting, crocheting, bird watching, pie making and taking walks on her property. She loved to spend time with her family and especially cherished her role as a grandma.

She is survived by her sons, Barry H. and Terry L. (Cathy) Selden; grandchildren, Lorelei Hash and Thaddeus (Meagan) Selden; great grandchildren, Juliet and Elliot Hash and her sister, Roberta Fortino along with numerous nieces and nephews. Marilyn was preceded in death by sisters, Arlene Hude, Marge Cribley and Gertrude Getz; brothers, Carl, Edward and Robert Galvin.

A Funeral Service will be held Thursday, April 15, 2021, 1:00 p.m. at First Baptist Church of Portland with Pastor Gary Coleman, officiating, Interment

will follow at Oakwood Cemetery, Grand Ledge. Visitation will be Wednesday from 1-3:00 p.m. and 5-8:00 p.m. at the Holihan-Atkin-Barclay Funeral Home, Grand Ledge. Covid protocols requiring masks, social distancing and capacity limitations will be observed. Memorial contributions may be given to the First Baptist Church, 406 E. Bridge Street, Portland, Michigan 48875 (<https://www.portlandfbc.org/give>).

Cemetery Details

Oakwood Cemetery

299 Halbert Street
Grand Ledge, MI 48837

Previous Events

Visitation

APR 14. 1:00 PM - 3:00 PM (ET)

Holihan-Atkin-Barclay Funeral Home & Cremation Services
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Service

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Tribute Wall

CJ

“ To the Selden, Fortino, and Galvin families.

I am truly sorry for your loss at the passing of Marilyn. She will be missed. She definitely was one of a kind! She was a good friend to my mother, Edlia Jepsen. I have many fond memories of Marilyn. She and my mother picked many blueberries and peaches together. I visited with her even after my mother passed. I am sorry I missed her life celebration. I know I will see her in heaven one day. I will be praying for you all.

*Love in Christ,
Cindy Jepsen*

Cindy Jepsen - April 19, 2021 at 12:16 PM

JB

“ *Our dear, marvelous Aunt Marilyn. Truly one-of-a-kind. From her infamous pies, to crafts, to construction and wiring...there was nothing she couldn't do. She was always busy serving those around her and making everyone smile and feel welcomed. Even though she faced many difficulties in life, she decided to make each day a joy blessed by the Lord. We can all learn a lot from this amazing lady. She will always be loved and always be missed. <3 Joyce Sondag Bower (niece)*

Joyce Bower - April 15, 2021 at 10:12 AM

CH

“ Sadden of neighbors passing 35 years no two ways about it it's only thing can hold her back can do
Caroline charlie harper



Charlie - April 14, 2021 at 08:42 AM

CD

“ So very sorry for this loss. Prayers for her family and friends. I worked with Marilyn at the telephone company. She was always a joy to be around. Always making everyone laugh. Such sad news to hear.

Connie Dwyer - April 12, 2021 at 06:01 PM

TC

“ We didn't meet Marilyn until she was was almost 80. I've never met an 80-year-old who chopped her own wood, sewed pillow cases to give away, baked pies to give away, and passed out candy to everyone she saw. Oh, and she loved her truck. And yodeling. She chose to be that person. Even though her life had its share of painful moments, she was never bitter. She chose to laugh and to make others laugh, and I loved that about her. I'll miss you, Marilyn, but we'll see you soon.

Tom Chadwick - April 12, 2021 at 04:22 PM

DT

“ Aunt Marilyn always had a beautiful smile, outgoing, and loved people. I remember her telling us kids growing up when she worked for Michigan Bell (ma bell) how she loved climbing those telephone poles, duct work and there wasn't anything she couldn't do that a man could. She was quite the lady. We will miss her pies come this September at the Selden reunion. Loved her. Diane Selden Trimble (niece)

Diane Trimble - April 12, 2021 at 11:26 AM

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“ East Lansing Firefighters Local 1609 purchased the Beautiful Whisper for the family of Marilyn Ida Selden.



East Lansing Firefighters Local 1609 - April 12, 2021 at 07:45 AM

LF

“ My condolences to Barry, Terry, and your family on the loss of your Mom and Grandma. I was fond of Aunt Marilyn and am saddened by her death. She was joyful and had a big heart. Wishing you the best at this time. Her niece and your cousin, Linda Fortino

Linda Fortino - April 11, 2021 at 08:40 PM

JF

“ Joe and Cyndi Fortino purchased the Full Of Love Bouquet for the family of Marilyn Ida Selden.



Joe and Cyndi Fortino - April 11, 2021 at 01:41 PM