



## Belinda "Lyn" Wixtrom

July 21, 1952 - July 21, 2012

Belinda Rose "Lyn" Wixtrom, 60, of Republic, died peacefully at her home, after a courageous battle with cancer, surrounded by her loving family on Saturday, July 21, 2012.

Lyn was born August 12, 1951, in Detroit, MI, the daughter of Robert and Louise (Ricketts) Reinhardt. She graduated from Centerline High School in 1969 and continued her education at the University of Michigan where she earned a degree in nursing. In 1974 she enlisted in the United States Air Force where she served nearly 10 years, completed multiple training courses and was awarded several decorations and citations including the AF Commendation Medal with oak leaf cluster, the AF Longevity Service Ribbon with oak leaf cluster, the National Defense Service Medal, the AF Outstanding Unit Award and the AF Overseas Short Tour Ribbon with one device. She attended Grand Rapids School of the Bible and Music where she graduated with top honors in 1986 with a major in missions.

She married Michael Wixtrom of Republic on March 19, 1988 in Grand Rapids, MI. The couple built their home in Witch Lake, MI. where she helped build the family businesses- Hammers&Horses, and Wixtrom Natural Farms. She had a passion for healthy living and recently worked as office manager for the Wellness Center of Marquette. She loved learning and passed this trait onto her children through homeschooling. She was an avid reader and enjoyed

gardening.

The family attends Grace Baptist Church in Kingsford.

Lyn is survived by her husband, Michael; three children, Seth, Rachel and Matthew, all of Republic; her parents, Command Sergeant Major (Ret) Robert and Louise Reinhardt of Republic; her mother-in-law, Helen Wixtrom of Republic; two brothers-in-law, Gregory Wixtrom of Republic and Kelvin (Chris) Wixtrom of Bath, MI; a niece, two nephews and many cousins.

She was preceded in death by her father-in-law, James Wixtrom.

Visitation will be held from 10 a.m. to 11 a.m. CST on Tuesday, July 24 at Grace Baptist Church in Kingsford. Funeral services will follow at 11 a.m. CST.

Pastor Wynne Kimbrough will officiate. The American Legion Post 50 of Iron Mountain will conduct military honors at the church prior to the service.

Burial will be in Republic Cemetery.

In lieu of flowers, a memorial will be established in Lyn's name.

Condolences may be expressed to the family of Lyn Wixtrom online at [www.erickson-rochon-nash.com](http://www.erickson-rochon-nash.com)

The family has entrusted the Erickson-Rochon & Nash Funeral Home with the funeral arrangements.

# Previous Events

## Visitation

JUL **24.** 10:00 AM - 11:00 AM (CT)

Grace Baptist Church  
1295 Pyle Dr.  
Kingsford, MI 49802

## Funeral Service

JUL **24.** 11:00 AM (CT)

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# Tribute Wall

CV

“ I am so sorry to hear of your loss, I will never forget Lyn and families hospitality, sharing all they have and their blessing hearts. My heart is with you. What a sweet honor to have the opportunity to have met one of Gods precious daughters!  
Love and hugs to you at this time,  
CJ

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**CJ Canzano - Little Lake, MI - friends with Laura and Jim Vereb - July 28, 2012 at 12:00 AM**

LP

“ Dear Rachel,

*I have missed seeing you and your mom at the farmers market this summer, and I am so sorry to hear this news. Setting up next to you guys was always a pleasure, battling the winds and the rains and the heat and the cold together, always with good humor, and for me, those delicious Wixtrom Farm breads. I am thinking of you, your mom, and your family. And I hope to see you again soon.*

*Leslie Allen*

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**Leslie Allen - Pelkie, MI - farmers market pal - July 25, 2012 at 12:00 AM**

SF

“ Mike and Family,

*I was gone for a few days and just returned back to work and saw that Lyn had passed. My heart is heavy!! Immediate prayers being said for the whole family for strength during this very difficult time. Lyn was a wonderful wife and mother. I had spoken to her recently and she had high spirits that this new regiment was going to work for her. I am so sorry for your loss. She was a wonderful and special woman and will be missed. May God Bless you all and give you comfort during this time.*

*With Love,*

*Sheri Quick*

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**Sheri Quick - Rapid River, MI - Friend - July 25, 2012 at 12:00 AM**

JC

“ Mike,

*Michele and I give our deepest condolences for the loss of Lyn. She was a special person to you and the kids. Life has brought us to different locations, but we've always enjoyed the laughs and memories when we would cross paths with you and Lyn. Find strength in your faith and in your children as you work through this very trying & difficult time.*

*You are in our thoughts and prayers Mike.*

*Your friends,*

*Jack and Michele*

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**Jack & Michele Vial - Green Bay, WI - Friends & Classmates - July 25, 2012 at 12:00 AM**

PC

“ Dear Michael and family,

*I was so sorry to hear the news that Lyn passed away. My thoughts are with you at this difficult time.*

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**Phyllis Rule - Battle Creek, MI - Cousin - July 24, 2012 at 12:00 AM**

PF

“ Your family is in our thoughts in prayers. Lyn was a very special lady, that always thought of others before herself. Your family will always be a special part of our lifes.

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**Pat & Linda Birtles - Cadillac, MI - Friend - July 24, 2012 at 12:00 AM**

DF

“ Mike and family,

*So sorry for your loss. We always liked talking to Lyn, very sweet and grounded with a good sense of humor.*

*Dave*

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**Dave Grant and Nicole Alexander - Marquette, MI - friends - July 24, 2012 at 12:00 AM**

JF

“ We just want to send our condolences on the passing of Lyn. We are friends of Pat and Lorna Carey's and had met all of you at the some of the church activities at Witch Lake. I went to women's retreat with the ladies from Witch Lake Church, one of which was Lyn. She was a nice person to be around. We are praying for your family.

*Jeanne and Garrie Gustafson*

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**Jeanne and Garrie Gustafson - Kingsford, MI - Friend - July 24, 2012 at 12:00 AM**

AF

“ Mike, Seth, Rachel, and Matthew,  
Please accept my heartfelt thoughts and prayers at this very difficult time. Lyn was such a dear, sweet, kind woman and an example for us all! She loved everyone and gave all that she had from her heart. I simply adored her and always will. Please know she lives on in in God our Savior's sweet embrace.  
Amy Hodgins

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**Amy Hodgins - Marquette, MI - Friend - July 23, 2012 at 12:00 AM**