



Darlene Grace Solberg

January 18, 1947 - January 2, 2026

Darlene Grace (Lehto) Solberg, age 78, of Kingsford, Michigan, passed away on Friday, January 2, 2026.

Darlene was a woman of strength, steady kindness, and deep devotion to those she loved. She was known for her warmth, her generosity, and the gentle way she cared for others. Her presence brought comfort, and her love for family was the constant thread woven through every season of her life.

Darlene accepted Christ as her Savior on Easter of 1957 at the age of 10 years old, a commitment that shaped her life with hope, compassion, and steadfast faith.

Her passions included singing in the church choir, playing piano, leading women's bible studies, golf, and spending time with friends and family. These were the places where her joy shone brightest and where she poured her heart into the people around her.

She spent many years serving as a Secretary for the Carney–Nadeau School District, where she supported students, staff, and families with patience and dedication. Later, she continued her commitment to helping others as a State Farm agent, offering guidance and reassurance to clients who trusted her steady hand. Her work reflected her character—dependable, compassionate,

and always willing to go the extra mile.

She is survived by her husband, Ronald Solberg; her children, Keith (Renee) Paquette, Tim (Helen) Paquette, and Tracy (Paul) Swanson; and her sisters, Wanda (Sam) Faull and Jean West. Darlene was blessed with many grandchildren and great grandchildren, each of whom brought her immense joy.

She was preceded in death by her parents, John and Ariel Lehto; her brother, Duane Lehto; and her sister, Norma Steele.

A Visitation will be held from 9:00 to 11:00 a.m., followed by a Memorial Service from 11:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m., on Friday, January 9, at the Aurora Free Church - 1372 Osterberg Parkway, Niagara, WI 54151. Pastor Karl Utzat will officiate.

1 John 3:23 – “And this is His command: to believe in the name of his Son, Jesus Christ, and to love one another as he commanded us.”

Condolences may be expressed to the family of Darlene Solberg online at www.ernashfuneralhomes.com

The family has entrusted Erickson-Rochon & Nash Funeral Home of Iron Mountain with the arrangements.

Cemetery Details

Quinnesec Cemetery

Menominee Street
Quinnesec, MI 49876

Previous Events

Visitation

JAN 9. 9:00 AM - 11:00 AM (CT)

Aurora Free Church
1372 Osterberg Parkway
Aurora, WI 54151

Memorial Service

JAN 9. 11:00 AM - 12:00 PM (CT)

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Tribute Wall

AS

“ Darlene was our dear friend who was always there for us and others with generosity and a listening heart through my sad trials!!! She surely lived up to her middle name, Grace!!! She was an avid believer in our Lord Jesus Christ and lived out what Christ asks of us!!! Her beauty, classy taste, humor, kindnesses, hard working, mothering, snazzy dresser, fabulous food maker and hostessing were extraordinaire!!! I had all of her kiddos as students at Carney-Nadeau School and enjoyed her concern and loving interest in all 3 of them!!! She and my Tom worked diligently to grow the State Farm Insurance business and I got to enjoy the awesome support of her husband Ron, as my principal!!! I have hundreds of fond memories of our living across the street, shopping, camping, vacationing, laughing until tears flowed, delicious meals, birthday, New Year's Eve, and Memorial Day celebrations!!! She did so many thoughtful loving, gestures, through the years, for our Jill and treated all of us like family!!!! My sympathies go out to you all, Ron, Keith, Tim, and Tracy!!! The GOOD thing is we will all be reunited in heaven someday for ETERNITY!!! I LOVE you all and God please bless Darlene's family as they mourn her passing!!! Alice Safford/Samuel



Alice Safford - January 08 at 09:23 AM

RA

“ Randy A. planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Darlene Grace Solberg.

Randy A. - January 07 at 07:53 PM

Jl

“ Auntie... *Your Life, Your Love, and Your Light will always be cherished, remembered, and celebrated for the beautiful example and image of what beauty is from the inside out. The plethora of fond memories, fun times, and interesting conversations are alive and well in me. I light this candle in honor of you and I take all of the best of you and your life's example forward with me.*



I thank God for the gift of you in my life.

*Love,
Your Jill*

Jill - January 07 at 11:35 AM

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“ ~Sue~ *lit a candle in memory of Darlene Grace Solberg*



~Sue~ - January 05 at 09:06 AM

TA

“ *Darlene was a beautiful woman and was always so kind, greeting everyone with a smile. Our heartfelt sympathy to all mourning their loss Rest in peace Darlene.*

Tina and Mark Anderson - January 04 at 06:18 PM

BB

“ I was so saddened to hear of the passing of Darlene. She was such a beautiful, special lady. I certainly enjoyed all my conversations with her and we had a lot of laughs too! Darlene is now wrapped in the arms of Jesus and enjoying the Bliss of Heaven! Please accept my deepest sympathy.

Bonnie Baciak

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Bonnie Baciak - January 04 at 03:40 PM

LF

“ Love from the Barrow Family purchased the Sweetest Sunrise Bouquet for the family of Darlene Grace Solberg.



Love from the Barrow Family - January 04 at 09:01 AM

PB

“ Cindy and I spent many visits with the Solbergs. They lived across the road from my brother-in-law, Tom Safford, and his wife, Alice. She was like an extended sister-in-law. My condolences to Ron, Tim, Keith, Tracy and their families.

Pete Brock - January 03 at 08:46 PM