



## Jacqueline Louise Lemin

November 13, 1942 - October 28, 2024

Jacqueline Louise Lemin, 81, of Kingsford passed away peacefully Monday, October 28, 2024, at home surrounded by family.

Jackie was born in Iron Mountain on Friday, November 13, 1942, the daughter of the late Charles and Verna (Mitchell) Balzarini. She grew up on the Northside and graduated from Iron Mountain High School. She then went on to earn her Bachelor of Arts degree in Education at Michigan State University. She taught Spanish in the Lansing area before returning to the UP where she would teach for 33 years at Breitung Township Schools. The majority of those years were spent teaching second grade.

Jackie married Carl F. Lemin, Jr on June 15, 1973, and he preceded her in death on October 7, 2021. Together they enjoyed couples league bowling, road trips to the casino, traveling to visit their children and relatives and taking in as many sporting events as they could. Brewers games and Spartans games were their favorite. Throughout the years Jackie also enjoyed volleyball league, ceramics, crafting and jewelry-making, spending time outdoors walking in nature, and planting her flowers. Jackie had a deep love for all animals especially her many pets throughout the years including her beloved dogs and the many deer she would meet on her walks and had as pets as a young girl. She also loved reading and frequent trips to the library. Jackie enjoyed shopping, craft shows, movies, car rides and breakfast with

the people dear to her. She had a joy of life and kindness like no other. Her faith was strong and she loved volunteering at the Carmelite Monastery until her health started to decline.

Jackie is survived by her children, Debby (John) Bray, Laura Krueger, Jon Lemin, Don Lemin, Tom (Yvonne) Lemin and Marie Lemin; her grandchildren, John Bray Jr, Bryan (Bridget) Bray, Steve (Anne) Grailer Jr., Dalton (Danielle) Bessler, Logan Lemin, Erin Lemin, Nick (Heather) Lemin, Nathan (Hannah) Lemin, Andrew Lemin, Amanda Lemin, and Mya Mays; her great-grandchildren, Brianna, Jordan, Miley, Shelby, Alexis, Lauren, Koen, Bronson, Nolan, Landon, Marshall, and Victor; her sisters-in-law, Marie Balzarini and Judy Sundblad; daughter-in-law, Mic Lemin; cousins, nieces and nephews; her special friends, Charlotte (Leon) Mattord, Sally Santi, Donna Mannigel, Patty Hord, and Lynn and Joe Reddinger.

In addition to her parents and husband, she was preceded in death by her dear older brother Chas Balzarini, in-laws Carl and Katherine (Dellangelo) Lemin, sister-in-law Shirley Sundblad, brothers-in-law Stuart Sundblad and Robert Sundblad, niece Pamela Gilbertie, daughter-in-law Jennifer Lemin, granddaughter Brianne Lemin, friends Judy Johnson and Marcie Staple, many aunts and uncles, including her Uncle Art Mitchell with whom she had a very special relationship.

The family would like to express extreme gratitude to Dr. Beth Schroeder and her staff for their continued care during Jackie's ongoing health battles over the years, and a big thank you to her caregiver Amanda Schuirmann with whom she would love to see and always enjoy a good laugh with. Her neighbors and many others that supported her throughout the years are so appreciated and evidence of the amazing woman, wife, mother, grandmother, friend, cousin, aunt, sister, niece and teacher that she was.

In honor of Jackie's wishes, there will be no funeral services.

Thank you to Erickson-Rochon & Nash for their kind and compassionate support to the family.

# Tribute Wall

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“ I was a student of Mrs. Lemin back in Garden Village Elementary School the year before Woodland Elementary was opened. She has always been my favorite teacher over the years. It was evident in her daily interactions with us that she deeply cared about her students and wanted to guide them in the best path for their future. While doing this, Mrs. Lemin was instrumental in getting me help for an undiagnosed learning disabilities. Based on her example, I have pursued an education career to help the younger generation as she did.

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**Jaime (Martens) Marsden** - November 01, 2024 at 09:10 AM

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“ Heartfelt condolences to the family on your loss. I will miss our Saturdays at Storheim's for Breakfast with Jackie. Someone so Special as Jackie can never be forgotten. She will be greatly missed! God Bless her family during this difficult time.

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**Donna Mannigel** - October 29, 2024 at 03:46 PM