



Charlotte Mary Blonshine

October 31, 1944 - July 13, 2017

Charlotte Mary Blonshine, 72, of Maple City, went to the Lord on July 13, 2017.

Charlotte was born October 31, 1944 to Raymond and Genevieve (Wright) Grubb in Traverse City and later attended Glen Lake High school.

On March 24, 1967, she married her best friend, Robert 'Bob' Blonshine, in Traverse City. They built their forever home in Maple City on the Leelanau Peninsula. For more than 20 years Charlotte managed the fitness center in Maple City where she enjoyed taking care of the plants as well as the infinite conversations with the members, many of whom became good friends.

Charlotte loved country music and was often found line dancing throughout the area, especially at the Hayloft. Charlotte also enjoyed spending time in her flower gardens, especially tending to her roses. On most days, a visitor to Charlotte and Bob's house would find a jigsaw puzzle under construction, just one of her many pastimes.

During the beautiful Northern Michigan summers Bob and Charlotte would be found at an area campground enjoying a good campfire with their friends. Charlotte's favorite camping spots were anywhere with a lake so that they could enjoy time out on the boat, with Turtle Lake being her favorite. Charlotte will always be remembered for her ambitious decorating during many holidays, and holiday dinners. Charlotte also had a big love for the color red.

Charlotte was very passionate and exhibited a lot of love towards her grandsons. She was a very familiar face at just about any of their school or life events, but most especially their sporting events. Just one week ago, Charlotte was found running around anxiously perusing the results after her oldest grandson ran the Cherry Festival 5k.

Charlotte is survived and missed dearly by her husband, daughter Donna (Tom) King, son Robert (Cherry) Blonshine Jr., Sister Sharron (Peter) Schettek, and Brothers Raymond and Bob Grubb. She is also survived and very missed by her grandsons; Thomas (Katie),

Michael (Sarah) and Aaron (Bethanie) King.

She is preceded in death by both her parents, her brothers - Frankie and Kenneth Grubb and her sister Jackie Covey.

A Funeral Mass will take place Monday July 17, 2017 at 11:00am at the Reynolds-Jonkhoff Funeral Home with visitation one hour prior. Charlotte's final resting place will be at Grand Traverse Memorial Gardens.

Please visit www.reynolds-jonkhoff.com to share your condolences with the family on Charlotte's Tribute page.

Those considering an expression of sympathy may do so to Charlotte's family in care of the Reynolds-Jonkhoff Funeral Home: 305 Sixth Street, Traverse City, MI 49684.

The family is being cared for by the Reynolds-Jonkhoff Funeral Home and Cremation Services.

Cemetery

Grand Traverse Memorial Gardens
3575 Veterans Drive
Traverse City, MI, 49684

Events

JUL 17 Visitation 10:00AM - 11:00AM
Reynolds-Jonkhoff Funeral Home
305 Sixth St, Traverse City, MI, US, 49684

JUL 17 Funeral Service 11:00AM
Reynolds-Jonkhoff Funeral Home
305 Sixth St, Traverse City, MI, US, 49684

Comments



“ It will be difficult to walk in the door at the Athletic Club knowing that Char will not be there to greet me. After all these years she cared a great deal about the running of the club and will be impossible to replace. I will miss sharing our campground stories and plans for future trips. In all ways she left this earth better for her being here.

Diana Aug - July 17, 2017 at 01:20 PM



“ Diana lit a candle in memory of Charlotte Mary Blonshine



Diana - July 17, 2017 at 12:21 PM



“ Sad news, indeed, about our loss of Char. She always had a smile for me as she bustled about the Athletic club and the restaurant.....she was genuinely kind and helpful.....She will surely be missed...My sincere sympathies to friends and family.

Diana - July 17, 2017 at 12:26 PM



“ Bob and family so sorry for you lost , you are in my thoughts and prayers my God give you his strength and peace in this time of loss. Calvin Allen and family.

Calvin Allen - July 16, 2017 at 09:40 PM



“ Char is an Icon of the Glen Lake Salon, she's been there first in caring for the original owner, in which the salon has been there for 57 yrs and all else in between then until I became her stylist seven years ago . Char had true grit I truly looked forward to her appointments with all her Whitt and caring personality she shared millions of uplifting stories of all her family and friends and I shared my part as well for I knew she was listening and cared cause she cared for every one. On her last visit I hugged her and she laughed and left smiling she said oh I'll be fine ,now I do know her faith in God is strong and she was sure he would take care of her ,now gone so suddenly too soon I guess the Lord needed this angel to spread her wings from above .Heaven is real she will always be with you all and caring for you ,she loved that last spring wedding of her grand child and was so looking forward to her next one this Aug.,you can be sure she'll be right next to her hubby in a veil u just wont see her .Though I never met

her family other then her husband I feel like I know them all .Living life loving sharing and caring is what I learned from that great lady and that is all she wants for you.God Bless you all let the great memories sustain you and Char rest in peace and harmony in the Lords Kingdom.We will miss her very much.

In Love and friendship very sincerely Sherri and Sara at The Glen Lake Salon

SHERRI RICARD - July 16, 2017 at 08:58 PM



“ You will be greatly missed. I always appreciated how you were always there for my family in good times and bad. Your kindness will always be remembered. RIP



Brenda Peplinski Murnane - July 16, 2017 at 01:38 PM



“ Char used to love telling the story of the first time we met,I pulled in the gym on my harley with long hair and a lot of tattoos ,she said she was really scared of me,but that didn't last very long ,we became good friends and I looked forward to seeing and talking with her every morning at the gym,I will miss her greatly !! To bob and the family my deepest sympathy for your loss,also I am very sorry I will not be able to attend the funeral because I am out of town working Rest in peace char Sincerely keith staples

keith staples - July 16, 2017 at 12:26 PM



“ I am so sorry to hear this. Char was always so personable and friendly . Her upbeat personality brightened the gym in Maple City for all of us. She was one of those people who made a difference in this world. Her legacy lives on in her family.

Tami Maurer - July 16, 2017 at 08:02 AM



“ Char you will be greatly miss by a lot of people. To my best friend and her family (((hugs))) . You all are in our thoughts and prayers Donna , Tom & boys.

karen griffard - July 15, 2017 at 11:24 PM



“ I will not forget Charlotte as I have known her for over 50 years have been sister inlaws for as many years. Have had a lot of fun together and shared many memories. She Will be missed by myself and my son Timothy Blonshine.

Sheila Blonshine - July 15, 2017 at 08:27 PM



“ We had some great conversations at the gym and whenever I would run into Char, she was truly a great person. My thoughts and prayers with you Bob, Donna and family.

Ginger Reed - July 15, 2017 at 03:49 PM



“ Char I will miss our many conversations we had trying to solve all the worlds problems!! The many lunches we had when you would visit the store!! I know you will be watching over everyone from above!! To our best friends and kiddos, you are in our prayers and hearts always!!



Shelly & Roger Mikowski - July 15, 2017 at 03:19 PM



“ So sad to hear the news, I really was fond of Char, I found myself visiting with her a lot t the gym. She had tough later on the outside but I think she was a softie most of the time. I will miss walking into the gym and her not giving me smack it me not giving it back, I will miss her sitting in the bleachers at GL. My thoughts and prayer are with Bob and Donna and family. Kendra

Kendra Scott - July 15, 2017 at 11:42 AM



“ Oh Char... She was a firecracker! I used to go to the Maple City gym and she was always very sweet to me. True Laker fan as well. She is probably up in heaven mixing it up! My thoughts are with Bob, Donna and family.

Kathy Baarstad - July 15, 2017 at 02:58 PM



“ Denny & Renee Blonshine lit a candle in memory of Charlotte Mary Blonshine



Denny & Renee Blonshine - July 15, 2017 at 10:19 AM



“ So sorry our thoughts and prayers go out to Bob, Donna, Bob jr and their families

Denny & Renee Blonshine - July 15, 2017 at 10:21 AM



“ We are so sorry for your loss, we loved Charlotte, and Harry will miss giving her a hard time and her giving it right back at him...we are so sorry that I'm not sure we can make it Monday, but we will be praying for you Donna , Bob and all the rest of the family.. love Harry and Deb

DEBRA M SCHOPIERAY - July 15, 2017 at 02:04 PM



“ Karen Griffard lit a candle in memory of Charlotte Mary Blonshine



karen griffard - July 15, 2017 at 09:34 AM



“ Shocked and so sorry! My prayers go out to the family?

Sandra Fox - July 15, 2017 at 06:23 PM



“ So sorry to hear Bob and family. Our deepest sympathy and prayers. Pat and Bob Atkinson

Robert Atkinson - July 15, 2017 at 08:20 PM