



## Donna Doreane Gore-Smith

March 16, 1950 - February 10, 2018

Donna Doreane Gore Smith, 67, of Interlochen passed away unexpectedly on February 10, 2018. Donna was born on March 16, 1950 in Detroit to the late William Henry and Jeanette Juanita (Lane) Gore.

Donna was a devout Christian; she was actively involved in church events and she was always one of the first people to volunteer her time during those events. She also empowered and encouraged women through her participation in the church's Women's Group and it is there that she made many fast friends. Donna loved her children fiercely and she loved sharing stories of her two boys with her friends. She surrounded herself with friends and family and constantly welcomed them into her home. Donna was a wonderful cook and she loved to cook with her friends and family. It was not at all uncommon for many of those visits to be spent in the kitchen, sharing recipes and preparing dishes that were frequently made using ingredients from her own garden.

Donna is survived by her husband John Robert Smith; sons, Miquel Hutton and Justin Hutton; sister, Kathleen Jeanette Smith East; and brother, Gregory Lee Gore.

She is preceded in death by brother, Roy Henry (Jack) Gore and brother, Gerald William Gore.

A Celebration of Life will be held at Blue Bridge Events Centre on Saturday, February 17, 2018 at 2:00 pm.

Memorial contributions may be made in Donna's honor to either the Leukemia and Lymphoma Society ([www.lls.org](http://www.lls.org)) or to Single Mom Ministry ([www.singlemomm.org](http://www.singlemomm.org)). Please share your thoughts and memories with Donna's family by visiting her online guestbook at [www.reynolds-jonkhoff.com](http://www.reynolds-jonkhoff.com).

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

# Events

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**FEB**   **Celebration of Life**                      02:00PM

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Blue Bridge Event Center

1950 Ellis Lake Rd., Interlochen, MI, US, 49637

# Comments

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“ My heart is full of sorrow. You touched so many people. There are so many things I want to say to you but God has taken you home. Your work here was done - "good and faithful servant". Until we meet again Miss Donna...Love you.



**Angie Brown** - February 15, 2018 at 09:09 PM

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“ Dear John and family,  
The new of Donna's passing breaks the hearts for those of us who remain on earth but the angels are rejoicing.

Steve and I served with Donna at Bay Pointe and her warm inviting smile and hugs were the best. She will be missed and I pray the many memories you have made as a family will flood your hearts and mind.

May God peace be with you.  
Steve and Becky Estle

**Becky Estle** - February 15, 2018 at 10:44 AM

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“ My dear sweet Donna...I am at a loss for words to tell you how much I will miss you and how much your friendship has meant to me. The memories created through serving at our beloved BayPointe will follow me the rest of my life. I will miss our political "rants" and how we could solve the world's problems...if they would just listen to us! I trust you will use your influence from above and I'll be feeding you information from here. You made the world a better place, my friend, because you loved us all so well. My prayer is that you knew, to the core, how much we loved you. I think you did.

**Karan Josephus** - February 14, 2018 at 07:18 PM