

Evelyn Ilene Peters

August 19, 1934 - December 16, 2020

Evelyn"Evie" I. Peters (Emery), 86, of Williamsburg and Boardman Lake Glens took the hand of God to be escorted to a joyous reunion with her husband "Pete" on December 16th, 2020. Also attending Evie's heavenly reunion were Evie's parents Harold and Ruth Emery, Sister Lolamae Wieber as well numerous family members and friends. Pete & Evie welcomed numerous strays into their home and hearts over the years- we're confident Mom was welcomed by much tail-wagging and purring by those four-legged family members who had previously crossed the Rainbow Bridge.

Evie was born on August 19th 1934 in Fowlerville, MI, grew up in St. Johns on the family farm where she developed a life-long love of animals especially horses, dogs, cats and attended St. Johns High School. Evie met Pete at the Traverse City Airport while both worked for Capital Airlines. They were married February 4th 1961 in Minneapolis. The birth of their son, Matthew occurred while Pete was stationed in the Army at Fort Hood TX. After Pete's discharge from Active Duty they moved back to Traverse City where they enjoyed their lives together raising Matthew, traveling extensively and spending time with friends.

In addition to travel this "very sweet lady" as described by all enjoyed reading murder mystery novels (especially local authors), Cross-Country skiing, researching family history, supporting their church and making new acquaintances. Evie was known for the beautiful sweaters she hand-knit/hand-crocheted. In 1985 Pete and Evie built their dream home in the woods enjoying the serenity and wildlife.

Celebrating Evie's heavenly reunion are son Matthew and his wife Tammy of Rockford, MI and Grandson Andrew. Nieces and Nephews who remained involved in Evie's life include Duane & Brenda Wieber, Ray & Allane Wieber, Donna Fruchey and Steve, Mitch & Cindy Peters and Melisa Felten. Nephews Steve and Ricky Heathman, Mark, Doug and Chris Peters and Niece Michelle (Heathman) live with their families in the Central US. During Evie's last earthly moments she was comforted with cuddles and purrs from their very round and fluffy feline Misty.

Matt and Tammy wish to thank Mom & Dad's special friends who shared much love and many adventures with Pete & Evie including Ann, Grace, Tom, Pat, Joyce and Marci. In Mom & Dad's later years visitors from Commission on Aging and Meals on Wheels became fast-friends. They would also like to recognize the special care provided by Munson Hospice as well as former staff-members Kristi and Wendy and current aid Morgan from Boardman Lake Glens. The incredible compassion expressed by Erin can never be repaid.

A celebration of Evie's life will occur when friends and family can gather comfortably and safely.

The family would suggest that Evie be remembered through memorial contributions to Williamsburg United Methodist Church , Munson Hospice, The Salvation Army or The Cherryland Humane Society.

## Cemetery

## **Oakwood Cemetery**

1325 East Eighth Street Traverse City, MI, 49686

## Comments



66 I remember her smiling and happy face when Doug and I were young. A kind and caring person.

Christopher Peters - December 24, 2020 at 02:02 PM



66 Thanks for sharing the memories Chris! Mom enjoyed spending time in Iowa with you, Doug and your parents!

Matt Peters - December 24, 2020 at 08:40 PM



Matt, So many sweet memories of your Mom. She had the best name, the best wedding anniversary date, and the best smile. I'm so sorry you will have to miss her here on this earth. You were all blessed to have her. Sending lots of love your way. Evie Kuncaitis-Huver and family.

Evie J Kuncaitis-Huver - December 23, 2020 at 04:44 PM



Evie- Mom was always excited to let me know whenever she had an opportunity to chat with you! She always gushed about listening to your Mom's singing in the Church Choir. We always looked forward to seeing your Dad drive the Golf Cart at the Strawberry Socials (he's in our prayers). The entire Kuncaitis family has been a true blessing to our family as well as the entire community!

Matt Peters - December 24, 2020 at 08:45 PM



66 Lori, thank you SO much for providing us with a much-needed chuckle!

Mom's quiet sense-of-humor and great smile were therapy to many! She always enjoyed sharing Pete's "exploits" involving the Bloxsom's- why is it they often involved sweets!?

Mom and Dad definitely reigned supreme when it came to spoiling their (and it sounds like other's!!?) pets. Sounds like Robin Leach would give then the Champagne Wishes trophy!??

I can envision everyone's expressions during the attempted Casino cheating scandal!

It brings comfort that Mom and Dad are reunited not only with each other but so many family-members and friends (Cheers to the "Lautner Road Gang"!

I know both Mom and Dad loved you very much!

Hoping we can get together in person in the near future!

Matt and Tammy

Matt Peters - December 24, 2020 at 09:00 PM



Matt, your mom and dad were always full of laughter and fun! Such as, the wedding cake your dad designed for me made entirely of twinkies. Brilliant! I still have his drawing somewhere, lol. And the time your mom babysat my dog, Toby. When I arrived to pick him up, she was on the floor hand-feeding him his dog kibble, one tiny piece at a time, out of a champagne glass,

The most unforgettable and cherished memory was the fabulous Hawaii trip your dad set up for us, complete with a huge surprise fruit basket in our room! Playing Casino (card game), the ski trip by train . . . lots of memories, fun and laughter. Even your dad pouting when mom and I attempted to hold him to the casino rules brought laughter. That's the only way your mom and dad can be remembered--laughter and love. I am sad that they have both left our lives but my life was enriched by them. And I will be looking for them in my own 'welcome home' team one day. For now, my heart goes out to you, Matt, and your family. They have both left a big space and I send love with prayers for comfort and peace now and in the long days ahead. Lori

Lori O'Neil - December 23, 2020 at 11:17 AM



We have many fond memories of Aunt Evelyn. The one that may be most memorable is the time Aunt Evelyn and Uncle Pete rescued us. We had just stopped by for a visit with them on Bunkerhill Road following a Northern vacation. We got as far South as Chubbs Corners when the timing belt went out on our new car. Of course it was late on a Friday afternoon and with no chance of finding a motel room on a summer weekend in Traverse City, they came to save us. We had a delightful extended weekend visit and were spoiled with great food and taking in some of the local attractions with our expert tour guides. We'll keep that and all the other special memories close to our hearts. Thinking of you Matt and Tammy. Love, Brenda & Duane

Brenda Wieber - December 22, 2020 at 04:17 PM



Thank you so much for sharing. Our parents were great mentors on how to enjoy life as well as how to treat others! Looking forward to seeing everyone post-Covid!

Matt Peters - December 22, 2020 at 08:25 PM



My condolences to you Matt. I have many fond memories of your mom and dad, listening to your family travel stories, watching the cherry festival parades in front of the travel agency. Your dad's ice cream. The hundreds of times I ran over to your mom's house looking for my mom - and generally I would find her and I could snitch some candy from the candy bowl and see what knitting project they were discussing. She was a great neighbor and friend/ski buddy to my mom. Glad to hear she had good caretakers at the end, especially in this difficult Covid time. Susan (Rundhaug) Conradson

Susan Conradson - December 21, 2020 at 10:00 AM



Thank you so much for sharing Susan! Your Mom & Dad were absolutely wonderful friends to my parents! It was good to visit with them last week, relive some memories and take home some delicious cookies!

Hope to catch up with you and your sister sometime soon!

Matt Peters - December 22, 2020 at 08:18 PM



Evie was a wonderful lady. I've often thought of her and Pete over the years. I've wondered where she moved to since Pete's passing some years back. It's wonderful to know that she had compassionate caregivers in her final moments. I'll always remember Pete making his famous ice cream floats for the three of us. Evie would always tell him that I didn't have time to sit down but I always made sure I did whenever the opportunity arose. Thinking of the Peters family during this difficult time.

Melissa Zenner - December 19, 2020 at 07:24 PM



Thank you for sharing your (very accurate!) memories Melissa! Mom and Dad always appreciated your compassion- and the treats for Misty! Please let us know if there's anything we can do to repay you for your kindness.

Matt & Tammy

Matt Peters - December 20, 2020 at 10:15 AM