



Ilene E. LaParr

January 6, 1942 - December 30, 2020

Ilene E. LaParr, celebrated her 79th birthday in her eternal home on January 6, 2021, after passing away into the arms of her Savior on December 30, 2020. She was the true definition of a faith-based woman, loving God.

Born in Southfield, MI to the late Nathaniel and Mary (Robinson) Keech, one of 18 children. She leaves behind her brother Ernie and her sister Irene, and now joins her siblings; Leah, Elisabeth, Sarah, Mary, Nathaniel, Richard, Vera, Gordon, Virginia, David, Howard, Pauline, Kenneth and Robert.

Ilene was a faithful and honest woman, who always saw the best of everyone, and in 1960 married the man of her dreams and the man she would walk with in the Lord, Charles LaParr. They met at the Traverse City Church of God, originally on Washington Street, and eventually found their forever church home with the Lighthouse Church of God once the new facility was built on La Frainer Road.

For Ilene, her Christian faith, and works were huge parts of her life and who she was. She was an overwhelmingly gracious person who would give anything to help even if she barely knew them.

There was no denying when her apple pie was served, it was the best, and her feasts of Christmas and Thanksgiving will never be forgotten.

Her caring and selfless ways shined also professionally with her career first as a nurse assistant at Munson Medical Center and then eventually the 42 year Owner and Operator of LaParr Adult Foster Care, her true calling.

Ilene will be watching down and caring for her children; Charles LaParr Jr (Kimberly), Carla LaParr (Troy Wilder), Pam Brown (Chris Lelievre) and Darlene (David) Sawyer. Also missing her are her grandchildren; Ryan, Michaela (Jeremy Wallace), Hanna, Lindsey, Brandon (Amber), Stephanie, Mitchel (Jasmine), Christopher (Shannon) and Nathaniel, great grandchildren; Rylynn, Payton, Isabella, Jaxon, Kole, Nolan, Adelynn, Connor, Jacob, Jasmine and Violet.

A funeral service was held January 6, 2021 to honor Ilene and can be viewed at <http://www.reynolds-jonkhoff.com> on her tribute page.

In lieu of a specific memorial contribution, please consider applying the Golden Rule in Ilene's honor and be kind to thy neighbor, or to the National Kidney Foundation (Ronald McD

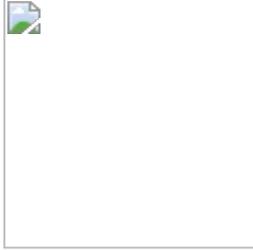
onald House Charities Inc. 26345 Network Place Chicago, IL 60673-1263)

llene and her family are being cared for by the Reynolds Jonkhoff Funeral Home.

Comments



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Reynolds Jonkhoff - January 06 at 01:11 PM



“ Aunt Ilene's son, Chuck, said that his mom lived the scripture. There is, in fact, a chapter specially about her. It begins, "Who can find a virtuous woman? for her price is far above rubies. (Proverbs 31:10).
Verse 28 says that her children will rise up and call her blessed. Yes, and right beside them will be the countless other lives and hearts that she touched.
I know that God in His wisdom (not ours), knew it was her time to leave but our tears flow down unbidden knowing that we will have to wait until our time comes to see her again.
I love you Auntie.

Christine Bowen - January 06 at 10:14 PM



“ We are so sad and sorry of the passing of Ilene. We loved her so dearly and glad that Kent got to hug her at Max's this past summer. Our thoughts and prayers are with you all. She was a great person and will be dearly missed. Kent and Colleen Benedict

Colleen - January 07 at 09:59 PM



“ Cindy Dahlke lit a candle in memory of Ilene E. LaParr



Cindy Dahlke - January 06 at 12:09 PM



“ Aunt Ilene was a true Angel here on earth and sadly to us an angel in heaven. Never in my memory did she ever speak an ill or hurtful word to anyone. She loved me and I knew it. As she loved all her nieces and nephews. There was never a moment of doubt. She was the Best of the Best and heaven sent to all of us. I will miss until eternity and I see her again.

Cindy Dahlke - January 06 at 12:07 PM



“ I so loved working with Ilene. I was a Casemanager who went to see some of her residents. She was always so kind and she cared so much for her guys. She will be deeply missed.

Gail Goldsmith - January 06 at 10:56 AM



“ Patty, Mike, Michael & Katie Babcock in memory of Ilene as daughter Darlene is part of our family. Ilene was a lovely person and will be missed.



Patty Babcock - January 06 at 10:52 AM



“ Beautiful lady inside and out. When I think of the phrase, "the more the merrier", I think of Aunt Ilene. She was always taking care of others. Loved her laugh and her positive spirit. A true christian lady. I will miss you dear aunt.



Lynn Wheeler - January 06 at 10:21 AM



“ Yvonne Kennedy lit a candle in memory of Ilene E. LaParr



Yvonne Kennedy - January 05 at 07:17 PM



“ Cathy Elliott lit a candle in memory of Ilene E. LaParr



cathy elliott - January 04 at 08:08 PM



“ I have known Ilene since I was a wee one. I am 63 now. Then in 1976 I married her Niece so since then She has been family. Such a sweet lady and she has always been a vital part of our Church. My sweet wife and I will surly see Ilene again when our Lord calls His children home. Ilene is at rest in a much better place with our Lord and Savior.

Alan Bowen - January 04 at 07:56 PM