



Marguerite "Midge" Plumley

October 31, 2018

Marguerite "Midge" Plumley, of Traverse City, passed away October 31, 2018 with her loving family by her side.

Midge was born to the late James and Beatrice (Papoy) Petro in Detroit. She was one of three daughters.

One of Midge's passions was piano. At 14 years old she was playing at the Detroit Institute of Arts. Her love for piano and music never lessened and she became a piano teacher.

Midge has been in the Traverse City area since 1987. She was a faithful member of Bethlehem Lutheran Church and a member of the Elks Club and the Music Teachers Association. In her free time, she enjoyed biking, cross-country skiing, snowshoeing, and hiking with family and friends. She also enjoyed playing euchre with their monthly card group. She was noted as one of the best cooks and a wonderful gardener.

For many years Midge and her husband Bert would take vacations. Together they visited many islands, Florida, and Mexico. They also enjoyed the landscapes of a great many of the National and State Parks.

Midge was a bright light in the family, and a very important part of her life was the time spent with them. She will be missed by all who knew her.

Midge is survived and missed dearly by her beloved husband Charles "Bert", her children; Cheryl (Brad), Deborah (Tom), Laurie (Bob), Tracie (Dave) and Jillian. She is also missed and remembered by her grandchildren; Adam, Joanna, Travis, Tyler, Mackenzie, Amanda and Charlie and her great grandchildren; Gabriel, Brendan, Rylee, Leo and Jordan.

She was preceded in death by her parents and both her sisters, Barbara and Irma.

A memorial service will take place Wednesday November 7, 2018 at 11:00am at the Bethlehem Lutheran Church with visitation one hour prior.

Please consider contributions to the Interlochen Arts Academy in Midge's honor and for her love of music.

Cemetery Details

Linwood Cemetery

4242 Church Road at N. Long Lake Road
Traverse City, MI 49685

Previous Events

Vistation for Family and Friends

NOV 7. 10:00 AM - 11:00 AM (ET)

Bethlehem Lutheran Church
1050 Peninsula Drive
Traverse City, MI 49686
<http://www.bethlehemtc.org/>

Memorial Service

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Tribute Wall

PR

“ Our deepest condolences on the passing of dear "Midge." She was a wonderful teaching associate in the GTMTA and we loved her presence! We feel for your earthly loss but heaven is rejoicing in her new life in the arms and hand of Jesus!
Paul & Dale Rajala

Paul J. Rajala - November 12, 2018 at 10:24 AM

 Henrietta Fabatz

“ Bert and family we are so sorry to hear of your loss. She was such a sweet lady.
Tom, Henrietta Fabatz

Henrietta Fabatz - November 08, 2018 at 07:32 PM

BE

“ I mourn the passing of a great lady. Midge exemplified grace and poise. She demonstrated how to live fully, to never give up, and to age gracefully. I admired everything about her. May she Rest In Peace.

Bev - November 07, 2018 at 12:52 PM

JR

“ The neighborhood loved Midge! She made piano stars out of our children - young and teens. The skills she taught for reading and playing music will be passed on to the next generations. We all loved listening to Midge play her beautiful piano piece at the end of each recital. I can still picture Midge sitting on the piano bench at the keys playing a duet with her students. We will miss you fiercely Midge but the skills you taught us will continue on and on.

Janet Ruggles - November 07, 2018 at 06:52 AM

LJ

“ I feel very fortunate that I have had the opportunity to have Midge in my life. She has been an inspiration to many of us in our Monday activity group. She has both listened to my stories and shared her own. Her concern for others was always apparent as well as her love for her family. She embodied the expression "small but mighty". I am forever grateful that she was a friend of mine.

Linda Joseph

Linda Joseph - November 05, 2018 at 06:18 PM

VK

“ Midge was such a lovely, active and patient woman. She was a wonderful pianist and teacher. She taught both my children and took on myself as an adult with no previous experience. So, so patient and encouraging. She was a beautiful lady, so grateful that she was part of my life.

Virginia Kelly - November 05, 2018 at 09:03 AM