



Irene Masters- Wonson

October 1, 1925 - July 12, 2016

Irene Masters-Wonson, 90, of St. Joseph, died Tuesday, July 12, 2016 surrounded by her family at West Woods of Bridgman.

A celebration of her life gathering will be held from 4 PM to 7 PM on Monday, July 25, at the Woodbine Lodge at Riverview Park in St. Joseph. Cremation has taken place and burial will be at Crystal Springs Cemetery at a later date. Memorials may be made to Hospice at Home or Chapel Hill United Methodist Church. Arrangements are by the Fairplain Chapel of Florin Funeral Service. Please share memories, messages or photos at www.florin.net.

Irene had a long and fulfilled life and was born on Oct 1, 1925 in Sodus to John and Agnes Howard. She married her first husband, Charles Masters, in 1946 and he preceded her in death in 1985. She married her second husband, Lester Wonson, and he survives her. She was the bookkeeper and office manager for Masters Construction, her first husband's business, and she also had worked at Brammall Supply. Irene was a long time member of Chapel Hill United Methodist Church in Sodus where she taught Sunday School for many years. She enjoyed wintering in Bradenton, FL where she played shuffleboard and cards with friends. Irene loved having dinner parties with her friends and family. The family would like to thank the staff at West Woods Nursing Home for their kindness to Irene.

She leaves behind her husband, Lester; her daughters, Linda (Roger) Anderson and Susie (Bruce) Leavitt, both of Benton Harbor, Kelly (Scot) Libants of Lansing and Charlene (Jim) Gunn of St. Joseph; her son, Charles (Stacy) Masters of St. Joseph; her stepsons, Steve Wonson, of St. Joseph and Doug (Marybeth) Wonson of Southlake, TX; her grandchildren, Jeff Wicks of Bradenton, FL, Kim (Jim) Billings of St. Augustine, FL and several step grandchildren; and her great-grandson, Devon Billings and several step great grandchildren .

Cemetery Details

Burial of Cremains at A Later Date

Previous Events

Gathering

JUL **25**. 4:00 PM - 7:00 PM (ET)

Woodbine Lodge at Riverview Park
2927 Niles Rd.
St. Joseph, MI 49085

Tribute Wall

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Judith M Herman - July 24, 2016 at 03:24 PM

SJ

“ *I was saddened to hear of Irene's passing. Growing up, Irene let me spend many days in her and Chuck's home (since Kelly has always been my best friend). She would take Kelly and I everywhere and never complained. Almost feeling adopted in sorts, she allowed me to accompany Kelly/family on a vacation to Florida when I was 14. This is only one example - there were numerous other places and times when she allowed me to be included with Kelly and the family. She made the best pizza and was always a fabulous cook. I would "sneak" extra pieces of dessert from the kitchen when she was baking because one piece was never enough! Always kind and reserved in words, she defined for me what it meant to be a devoted mother and wife. Words cannot express the loss felt by her passing. To me, she will always be remembered as a kind and beautiful person. My thoughts and continued prayers are with the family.*

Shannon Jurgenson - July 16, 2016 at 12:27 PM

KM

“ I am sorry to hear of Irene's passing. I remember when I would go to my grandpa & grandma's house I would visit them. They lived one house over. I would play with Charles Jr. I also remember helping Charles Sr at a couple of houses. Irene would also let me help pick raspberries at the farm. Good memories.

Kevin McGowan - July 15, 2016 at 04:41 PM

PL

“ So sorry to hear of Aunt Irene's passing. She will be greatly missed. I remember coming to her house and Aunt Irene cooking up a big dinner to feed the family. She was a great cook and loved visiting with family. I will always remember the great times.
Patricia Larson (Paul Masters daughter).



PATRICIA LARSON - July 14, 2016 at 12:29 PM