



Katherine L. Combs

June 23, 1923 - September 22, 2015

Katherine L. Combs, 92, of Coloma passed away peacefully, surrounded by her children and grandchildren, on Tuesday, Sept. 22, 2015 at the South Haven Hospital.

A service celebrating her life will be held at a later date and cremation has taken place. Memorials may be made to the Humane Society. Arrangements are by the Davidson Chapel of Florin Funeral Service in Coloma. Please share memories, messages or photos at www.florin.net.

Katherine was born on June 23, 1923 in Bono, Arkansas to George and Luda Crider. She married the love of her life, Jess Combs, on March 1, 1941 and he preceded her in death on Jan. 9, 1968. Katherine retired from Paramount Die Cast Co. in 1988 after 25 years of employment. After her retirement she was an In-Home Care Giver for more than 10 years. Work was an important part of her life. Katherine was devoted to her husband and her family throughout her life. She also put others before herself. Katherine was dearly loved by all who knew her, especially her family. Katherine was very special to her grandchildren and great-grandchildren. She will be missed.

She is survived by her children, Brenda Roe of Sun City, FL, Jack Combs of Coloma, Beverly (Don) Zwar of Watervliet and Lori (Roger) Boodt of Benton Harbor; her sisters, Opal Henderson of St. Louis, MO, Patsy Taylor of

Monette, AR, and Norma Harry of Pearl, MS; and her numerous grandchildren and great grandchildren. She was also preceded in death by her sons, Jerry Combs and Phillip Combs; her sisters, Mabel Henderson, Mary Lou Warren, and Dovie Downey; her brother, George Crider; and her long-time partner, Albert Noack.

Tribute Wall

BK

“ My grandmother was an amazing person. Some of my earliest memories begin with her at the old house on the blueberry farm. I spent the majority of my childhood there. She worked hard and was not scared to hold her tongue. I will never forget her saying "Brian, pull them britches up!". I will never forget the smell of supper cooking while me and my brother played outside. She pretty much raised us boys when we were little. She was always there for us. I love you grandma. I will always have you in my heart. You meant so much to all of us. Rest easy.

I'll always be your baby boy.

-Brian

Brian Klintworth - September 29, 2015 at 05:39 PM

LB

“ My mother was a strong hard working woman! I always admired her never ending strength! She could be serious and make you laugh! She could be serious and make you cry!! I remember the first time I drank (underage) of course. Vodka and DiMaggio's pizza!! I hugged a toilet all night! Mom decided I was going to paint my bedroom the next day!! Whew! Paint fumes on a hang over!! God love her!! I will miss her! I know I feel an emptiness in my heart! She was not perfect but just perfect for me! I know I put grey hairs on that beautiful head! Give all those handsome men a hug for me!! I love you so much!!



Lori Boodt - September 25, 2015 at 08:11 PM

BK

She was perfect, maybe a bit too honest lol.....but perfect.

Brian Klintworth - September 29, 2015 at 05:41 PM

RA

*Oh Yeah Lori your Mom was The Best.. I Really Regret that SHE was not my Mother In-Law.
The Mother In-Law that got away..
Ya know that I always Thought I would see her again too..*

Radar - April 09, 2016 at 01:27 PM

RR

Katherine worked at Meijer in Benton Harbor for a bit and my wife and I worked with her.. She was a blessing for sure.. everyone referred to her as "Grandma Combs" until we meet again RIP.

Ron Rathgeb - February 10, 2023 at 04:33 PM

KD

“ Aunt Pud was one of a kind! I remember her in her 80's telling us about going to work to take care of the old people. I asked her what she meant by old people and she said "older than me". Such a loving heart, she will surely be missed!!

Kris (Downey) Dixon - September 24, 2015 at 04:21 PM