



Ardith E. Stewardson

September 4, 1937 - September 11, 2020

ADRIAN- Ardith E. Stewardson 83 died Friday evening, September 11, 2020, at Bixby Medical Center.

She was born September 4, 1937, in Moweaqua, Illinois to Erin and Deva (Ekiss) Coultas. She married Jerry L. Stewardson June 21, 1959.

After graduating from Illinois Wesleyan University with a degree in Business Administration, she worked as a secretary at EB Films and for several years as secretary to the registrar at Northwestern University. After accompanying her husband for study in Germany and Switzerland, she worked part-time at Adrian College in the Alumni Office and Home Economics Department while she raised her two children Andrea and Curtis.

She is survived by her husband Jerry and by her daughter Andrea (Timothy) Collins and three grandchildren Liam, Corinna and Declan Collins, of Wyckoff, NJ, her son Curtis (Sandra Trujillo) of Milledgeville, GA, and her sister Kay Nalbach of Glenbrook, IL.

She was a beautiful person who dedicated her life to her family and friends. She lived her life in an affirming way without ever seeking recognition for herself. Her sweet disposition continued after a severe stroke in 2012 which left her with little speech and paralysis of her right side. She would even sing a simple song for those who helped care for her. Her family is grateful to all those who helped her.

A memorial service will be held on Friday, September 18, 2020, at 11 a.m. at First United Methodist Church with Rev. Eric Stone officiating. Following the Governor's executive order, all attendees are required to wear a proper face covering, with the exception of those under the age of five years old or those who cannot medically tolerate and socially distancing will be followed.

Memorial contributions may be made to First United Methodist Church or to Daybreak (Lenawee Department on Aging). Arrangements have been entrusted to Wagley Funeral

Home where online condolences and memories may be shared at www.WagleyFuneralHomes.com.

Previous Events

Memorial Service

SEP 18. 11:00 AM (ET)

First United Methodist Church
1245 West Maple Avenue
Adrian, MI

Tribute Wall

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“ *Mrs. Ardith Stewardson was a beautiful soul. She was always so kind, and positive. She had a great passion for her family and her dogs. I did not understand her love of dogs at the time but later in life when I had my own I understood - "unconditional love".*

My deepest condolences to Dr. Jerry Stewardson, Kurt and especially Andrea.

Murat Kaynak

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“ *Jerry:*

So sorry for your loss. I know you did a great job caring for Ardith

May God grant you strength and comfort, in this your time of need.

Sincerely

Walt Miller

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*We have good memories of Ardith and Jerry when they lived behind us for many years. She was a gentle, sweet person. May your memories be a gentle reminder of the lovely person she was. Thoughts and prayers --
Carl & Judy Phipps*

Judy Phipps - September 18, 2020 at 01:47 PM