



## Barbara Jean Swift

August 15, 1931 - September 20, 2018

SWANTON, OH- Barbara Jean Swift, age 87, formerly of Adrian passed away on Thursday, September 20, 2018, at Swanton Valley Center.

Barb was born on August 15, 1931, to Elmer and Helen (Fick) Young, at her grandparents' home in Palmyra Township. She was a graduate of Blissfield High School and went on to attend Cleary Business College. On March 22, 1951, she married Wayne Swift and they shared 54 years together before his passing in 2005.

Barb worked as a bookkeeper for Spiegel Catalog, Western Auto in Blissfield and Swanton, and at Paul's Flower Shop in Swanton. Wayne and Barb managed numerous Motel 6's over the years, with the last location being in Toledo, Ohio before they retired. She was a member of St. Paul's Lutheran Church in Blissfield. Barb enjoyed playing bingo, word searches and watching her beloved Detroit Tigers.

She is survived by her children, Rebecca Swift of Adrian, Randi (Horst) Wudi of Wauseon, OH, and Bill (Kathie) Swift of Jackson; 4 grandchildren and 6 great-grandchildren; siblings, Marilyn Cheney of Blissfield, Marcella Young of Blissfield and Darlene (Ronald) Marks of Columbus, OH. Barb was preceded in death by her parents, husband Wayne, and grandson, Joshua Swift.

A memorial service for Barb will be held at 11 a.m. on Monday, September 24, 2018, at St. Paul's Lutheran Church in Blissfield with Pastor Gary Leking officiating. Visitation will be at 10 a.m. until the time of the service. All arrangements have been entrusted to Wagley Funeral Home Tagsold Chapel.

Memorial contributions may be made to Great Lakes Hospice. Online condolences and memories may be shared at [www.wagleyfuneralhomes.com](http://www.wagleyfuneralhomes.com).

# Previous Events

## Visitation

SEP **24.** 10:00 AM - 11:00 AM (ET)

St. Paul's Evangelical Lutheran Church  
306 E. Jefferson Street  
Blissfield, MI

## Memorial Service

SEP **24.** 11:00 AM (ET)

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# Tribute Wall



“ *Barbara Jean Swift*

January 28, 2023 at 12:24 PM



“ *Evelyn H. lit a candle in memory of Barbara Jean Swift*



**Evelyn H.** - September 27, 2018 at 09:14 AM



“ *Sorry about the loss of your mother, she was a fine person and always spoke when i saw her. I remember your family living in Palmyra many years ago and the birthday party for me at age 7 when Becky brought an umbrella for me. Only one I owned. May she rest in peace and forever be remembered in your hearts.*

**Diane Bowen** - September 23, 2018 at 07:16 PM



“ *Diane Bowen lit a candle in memory of Barbara Jean Swift*



**Diane Bowen** - September 23, 2018 at 07:12 PM

JN

“ My heart goes out to Becky and her family. I know what the loss of a mother is like. My fondest memory of Barbara is. When Becky would come out to my Dial-a-Ride either to go to work or later when she would be going home after a visit with her. You would look by the door and she would waving good bye. As a mother. I think she was making sure Becky had gotten of safety. My thoughts are with you all. Jan

Jan Negus - September 23, 2018 at 03:05 PM



“ Beautiful Heart Bouquet was purchased for the family of Barbara Jean Swift.



September 23, 2018 at 11:02 AM

JS

“ James Sheldon purchased the Lovely One Spathi phyllum Plant for the family of Barbara Jean Swift.



James Sheldon - September 22, 2018 at 11:03 AM



“ Be My Love Bouquet with Red Roses was purchased for the family of Barbara Jean Swift.



September 21, 2018 at 05:23 PM

DB

“ *Diane Bowen lit a candle in memory of Barbara Jean Swift*



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**Diane Bowen** - September 21, 2018 at 11:32 AM



“ *Beautiful in Blue was purchased for the family of Barbara Jean Swift.*



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September 21, 2018 at 10:14 AM