



Jean Marie Onsted

September 19, 1940 - December 17, 2025

GRAND RAPIDS- Jean Marie Onsted, age 85, formerly of Adrian, Michigan, passed away early Wednesday, December 17, 2025 at Corewell Health Butterworth Hospital in Grand Rapids, MI.

Jean was born on September 19, 1940, in Adrian, MI, the daughter of Paul S. and Frieda M. (Myers) Obenour. Jean and her three brothers were raised in the Adrian area, and she graduated from AHS in 1960.

On July 28, 1959, Jean was united in marriage to James “Jim” Onsted. Over the next 65 plus years they embraced raising their 5 children and later becoming grandparents. Jean and Jim’s story demonstrated their love and commitment to one another and the faith they chose to live every day. Jim passed away in April 2025.

Jean volunteered her time and talents in the community in a variety of ways. For 20 years, she was a Camp Fire Girls leader and was also busy sewing baby quilts to donate to the local hospital or the Care Pregnancy Center (CPC) of Lenawee. She taught aqua aerobics at the Christian Family Centre for many years where she treasured the friendships and laughs that were often shared. Jean was a longtime member of Jasper Bible Church. Jean’s positive and nurturing personality were wonderful traits to have as a bus driver for LISD from 1986- 2000.

She will be missed by her children, James P. Onsted of Clinton, MI, David P. (Cathy) Onsted of Adrian, MI and Teresa M. (David) Zarnosky of Howard City, MI; son-in-law, Tim Howard and daughter-in-law, Vhebs Onsted;

11grandchildren, 8 great-grandchildren and one great great-grandchild. In addition to her husband, Jim, Jean was preceded in death by her children, Kathy Howard and Steven Onsted; parents, Paul and Frieda Obenour; and brothers, Robert, Richard and Ronald Obenour.

A memorial celebration of life will be held on Friday, January 2, 2026, at 11:00 AM at Jasper Bible Church with Rev. Bruce Jewett officiating. Visitation will take place one hour before the celebration starts. Burial will be private at Maple Shade Cemetery in Onsted.

Memorial contributions may be made to Jasper Bible Church. Online condolences and memories may be shared at www.WagleyFuneralHomes.com.

Cemetery Details

Maple Shade Cemetery

W. Slee Road
Onsted, MI 49265

Previous Events

Memorial Visitation

JAN 2. 10:00 AM - 11:00 AM (ET)

Jasper Bible Church
8230 S Adrian Hwy
Jasper, MI 49248-9787
(517) 436-3165

Memorial Celebration of Life

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Tribute Wall

MV

“ I was shocked that Jean passed away and remember that when she was sub driver from LISD bus driver since after 1986 and also I remembered that she and her husband came to my house then they took me to Ann Arbor Michigan and waited (dropped me off to different van) for went deaf school in Flint Michigan then I hugged her and said thanks for took me to Ann Arbor Michigan

She was wonderful bus driver

Missed her

Michelle Vasquez

Michelle Vasquez - January 15 at 02:01 AM

SJ

“ Teresa, Jim, Dave and Family, Sending our deepest condolences to all of you! We will cherish all of the Beautiful memories with your Mom and Dad. I will miss your Mom's beautiful smile and kind words and advice. She made this world a much better place! ❤️ Hugs & Prayers



Tim & Shelley

Shelley Judkins - December 31, 2025 at 09:39 AM



“ *Crystal Cross Bouquet was purchased for the family of Jean Marie Onsted.*



December 30, 2025 at 11:37 AM



“ *Sincere sympathies to the family. Jean was one of the Ladies who made us feel welcome when we attended Jasper Bible Church. She was a lovely lady and we look forward to rejoicing with her in eternity. Bob and Rhonda Southward*

Rhonda - December 23, 2025 at 01:49 PM



“ *When I came into the world, Jean was already here. She was the first-born grandchild on the Obenour side. Her brother, Ronnie, and I were the little kids for several years. The older we got, the more that age difference between Jean and I faded. I have thoroughly enjoyed our later years when we could see each other and were just a phone call away.*

Jean, I miss you so much! But, I know our separation is only temporary. Soon we will be together again, never to depart. How I look forward to that!

Linda Roth - December 23, 2025 at 08:37 AM



“ *She was my campfire leader. She was the best. I'll never forget her.*

teresa walker - December 22, 2025 at 06:18 PM

TH

“ I will never forget the first time I met my Kathy's family. Jean was so very happy for her daughter and treated me like I've been in the family for decades. They were ready for me to marry Kathy on day one. The entire family has embraced me and my kids and granddaughter. I miss my wife Kathy so very much and will miss my conversations on the phone with Jean very much as well. Prayers for the entire family. I was most proud that Kathy and I got to have our wedding ceremony in Jim n Jeans back yard in Adrian. And watching Jean and Jim dance was very special as well. Sure gonna miss momma Jean.

Tim Howard - December 22, 2025 at 03:09 PM

YC

“ Your Aquacise Class purchased the Red Poinsettia for the family of Jean Marie Onsted.



Your Aquacise Class - December 22, 2025 at 03:00 PM

DE

“ Jean always had a smile. She was fun loving, kind, compassionate and God loving. She displayed amazing strength through all her medical issues. Her faith and her support from her daughter brought her through a lot. God Bless and keep her in his loving arms.



Debbie - December 22, 2025 at 11:43 AM

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“ Zarnosky purchased the *Divine Peace Bouquet* for the family of Jean Marie Onsted.



Zarnosky - December 22, 2025 at 11:34 AM