



Donna M. Merrill

December 23, 1929 - November 5, 2020

Donna Merrill aged 90, longtime resident of Scottville, passed away on Thursday November 5, 2020 in Saint Joseph, Michigan. Donna was born in Scottville on December 23, 1929, the daughter of Lloyd and Alma (Fox) Buckingham and graduated from Scottville High School with the class of 1947. On June 4, 1948, Donna married Ronald Merrill in Scottville and they celebrated 61 years together before Ron preceded her in death on September 16, 2009. Ron and Donna were blessed with one son, Scott.

Donna was a housewife, mother, and grandmother. She was a member of Scottville United Methodist Church and worked at the Mason County Medical Care Facility in the Diversional Therapy department for several years. Ron and Donna enjoyed wood crafting, making yard art, gardening, and various other projects.

Donna and Ron loved Scottville and dedicated many hours to the community. They were recognized together by Scottville as "Citizens of the Year," an honor they were very proud of. Ron and Donna were also proud members of the Mason County Garden Club and were instrumental in the placing of the flower baskets in Scottville, a tradition that continues today.

Donna is survived by her son, Scott Merrill and his wife Nancy of Saint Joseph, Michigan, and her beloved grandson Christian (Cynthia) Merrill of

Bordentown, New Jersey, along with several nieces and nephews.

Besides her parents and husband Ronald, Donna was preceded in death by her sisters Judy Reader, Elois Claveau, and infant sister Betty Lee Buckingham.

Per her request, cremation has taken place and the family will celebrate her life at a later date.

Memorial contributions in Donna and Ron's name may be directed to the Scottville Clown Band Raymond Schulte Scholarship Fund (P.O. Box 21, Scottville, MI 49454).

Cemetery Details

Brookside Cemetery

950 W. State Street
Scottville, MI 49454

Tribute Wall

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“ *Donna was a best friend to me. Her heart and spirit were inspirational.
She will be terribly missed by my family.
My prayers are with her entire family and friends.*

Elizabeth Mead - November 09, 2020 at 08:09 AM

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“ *Hoyt, I'm so sorry for your loss! It's been a tough week for us both: my mom died Monday. They both had long and good lives! We can only hope to imitate that. I wish you the best, my friend! Larry Kivela*

Larry E Kivela - November 08, 2020 at 06:31 PM