



Lewellyn Francine Schwikert

December 15, 1930 - November 17, 2017

Lewellyn “Lu” Frances Schwikert of Baldwin, MI, passed away in her loving home on Friday, November 17, 2017 at the age of 86. Lewellyn was born on December 15, 1930 to William and Mildred (Helbig) Knifke in Squirrel Hollow, PA. On February 12, 1972, she married the love of her life Richard “Dick” Schwikert in Kalamazoo, MI and celebrated 45 years by each other’s side. Lewellyn worked as an Event Marketing Manager for the UpJohn Company in Kalamazoo for over 25 years, retiring on January 1, 1986. Lewellyn and Dick moved to their home on the Pere Marquette River in Baldwin where she enjoyed her love of gardening, music, and caring for her many beloved pets. She could most often be found strolling through the woods adoring the wildlife on their property while trays of fresh baked cookies were cooling on the stove for all her loved ones.

Lewellyn will be greatly missed by her children Cynthea Whittedge of Schoolcraft, MI, Yvonne “Lizz” Coates of Portola, CA, David Carlson of Wondervu, CO, Michelle Coleman of Chatham, MI, Cheryl Anguiano of Bay City, MI, and Kristen Fillar of Portage, MI. Lewellyn will also be remembered by her 8 grandchildren, Trevor, Larkin, Lindsey, Taylor, Kelsey, Usher, Sydney, Carson and her 4 great-grandchildren.

A Memorial Mass will be celebrated for Lewellyn at 12:00 noon on Friday, December 15 at St. Ann's Catholic Church in Baldwin with visitation starting at

11:00 am. Those who wish to remember her with a memorial donation are asked to consider the Homeward Bound Animal Shelter in Manistee, or the Pere Marquette Watershed Council.

Previous Events

Gathering of Friends & Family

DEC 15. 11:00 AM - 12:00 PM (ET)

St. Ann's Catholic Church
740 East 9th Street
Baldwin, MI 49304

Celebration of Mass

DEC 15. 12:00 PM (ET)

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Tribute Wall

CS

“ *Lu's Family: each and everyone of you are wrapped in our warmest thoughts today as you celebrate Lu's life. A fitting day to do so. Distance and weather keep daughter Kelly and me from joining you and all who loved her, but we are there in spirit. So so many good memories of Lu that have not diminished over these many years. She was one of the most kind-hearted, gentle, and loving individuals I've ever known. I am most grateful she touched my life as I know she touched so many others. Many hugs to each of you.*

Cindy (Hirsch) Stonerock

cindy stonerock - December 15, 2017 at 11:07 AM

MF

“ *I was blessed to have Lu in my life for many many years. I was truly blessed to be able to cut her hair for the past five years or so. When Lu used to come into my salon to get her hair cut, she used to bring me peanut butter cookies and or fudge! We both LOVED our cats! She used to ask me about my cats all the time! The love that Lu had for other people and animals was just absolutely amazing. She had a heart of gold. I will miss her so much. Her kind words. She loved how I get her hair. She used to say I was magic. I loved Lu so much... Rest In Peace Lu! Your suffering here in earth is over! The good Lord has called you home!*

Sincerely,

Mary Beth Frizzell

Beautician/friend

Mary beth Frizzell - December 04, 2017 at 03:51 PM

RR

“ So many fond memories of a wonderful woman and wonderful place and time in our lives. The thought of Lu still brings a smile to my face and a warmth to my heart. We wish her family that same warmth, now and always. Dick Rose

Richard A. Rose - November 20, 2017 at 05:02 PM



“ Our thoughts and prayers are with you at this time of sorrow. May joyful memories help all of you get through your sorrow.

*The Markey Family
Livonia, MI*

Alice Markey - November 20, 2017 at 03:53 PM



“ So sorry to hear that “Aunt Lulu” passed away. She was my grandma’s (Marian Beattie) best friend for so many years. I have so many great memories of Aunt Lu. I know that those amazing sweet ladies are happy to be together again. They had so much fun together and it makes me smile to think of them stirring up trouble together! You are all in my thoughts and prayers.

Rachel Beattie Meier

Rachel Beattie Meier - November 19, 2017 at 08:32 PM

RP

“ *Dick and Family--Few have been as fortunate as I to have known Lu both as the epitome of the total professional in her efforts at The Upjohn Company, and later in our retirement years as a treasured friend. .When I was privileged to have Lu on my marketing staff, I knew her enthusiasm, her spunk, her total reliability would get the task at hand done right and on time whatever the obstacles. In our later years these same delightful qualities prevailed but I also came to appreciate what a special friend and perfect hostess Lu was as well. I know in my remaining years I will fondly and often remember Lu in both these roles. She was and always will be very special to me.*

Ralph Pernice

Ralph Pernice - November 19, 2017 at 02:06 PM

LC

*Dear Dick & Family,
We're saddened by your loss. Lu was and always will be a bright spot on the horizon. Her gentle and loving ways towards all creatures was an exemplary way to walk through life and I'm so proud to have known her and loved her.
The Conney Family embraces her memory and wishes her Family gentler times ahead.*

Laurie & Rick Conney - November 20, 2017 at 05:12 PM

PM

“ *Dear Lu,
You are loved and will be missed by all who knew you.
With Love,
Pat & Mac*

Pat McKenna - November 19, 2017 at 09:03 AM

GL

“ *Dick and Family. We are so sorry to hear that Lu is no longer with us. She will be missed. We think of you so often and the visits we had at Gun Lake.*

Rocky and Gloria Wilson Landman

Gloria Landman - November 19, 2017 at 07:56 AM