



## Lorna Jean Dumas (Howe)

October 18, 1934 - November 20, 2020

Lorna Jean Dumas (Howe) aged 86 of Ludington passed away on Friday, November 20, 2020. Lorna was born on October 18, 1934, in Scottville, Michigan, the daughter of Everett and Ruth (Hapner) Dumas, and graduated from Scottville High School with the class of 1952. The following year she married Leonard Howe and they celebrated the births of two daughters, Susie and Kerry.

Lorna worked as a Legal Secretary for the Law firm of Jennings-DeVries-Gockerman in Manistee before moving back to Scottville and working at the Mason County District Library from 1995-2007. She loved her time working at the Library, interacting with so many individuals. Lorna also worked in the bakery at Foster's Market in Scottville for a short time before her retirement. Her greatest joy was found in being a "Great Homemaker." She and Leonard had a beautiful Victorian home in Manistee and Lorna loved being a mom to her daughters and hostess to many friends and family members who would stay with them from time to time. She possessed a very kind, giving, and generous spirit; her home was always welcome to anyone.

Lorna was preceded in death by her parents Everett & Ruth Dumas and by her daughter Kerry Howe in 2019. She will be greatly missed by her daughter Susie Howe of Louisville, CO; her grandchildren Ashley (Lucas) Brys of Magalia, CA, and their children Eva & Rohan, SGT. Christopher (Ladda) Viger

of Westminster, CO and their daughter Eleanor, Bobby (Kim Kent) Nothnagle of Middleton, CA, and Riley Nothnagle of Lower Lake, CA; her sister Sharon (Mark) Engwall of Morristown, TN; her former husband Leonard (Marlys) Howe of Manistee and numerous nieces, nephews, and cousins.

A memorial to celebrate Lorna's life will be held in the summer of 2021. Those who wish to remember Lorna with a memorial ---donation now are asked to donate a bag of groceries to a local food bank in her memory, as she would consider that a kind and generous gift.

# Previous Events

## Celebration of Life Service

JUL **29**. 11:00 AM (ET)

Our Savior Lutheran Church  
765 West US Highway 10  
Scottville, MI 49454

# Tribute Wall

BM

“ Our deepest condolences to the family. Lorna was such a sweet and kind person. We will miss her deeply. Words will never describe our sadness in losing her, but just know we are here for you in your time of need. May your hearts be filled with blessings as you reflect back on all the wonderful memories she has created for you, and most importantly, all the love she felt for you. RIP.

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**Bertha Matthews** - November 27, 2020 at 12:48 PM

FJ

“ Mrs. Howe worked with my dad for many years and was a dear family friend along with Mr. Howe. They were “the adults” while my siblings and I were growing up in Manistee and frequent holiday guests. When “Little Franky” stopped by the office to see his dad, Lorna was always helpful and kind. Many years after I left Manistee, I had the pleasure of exchanging notes for some time with her. I’ll always remember her as kind and peaceful and I’m certain she was a wonderful librarian. She joins my parents in heaven and I’m certain it’s a grand reunion with so many others from that wonderful era in Manistee. God blessed us with her.

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**Frank Jennings** - November 24, 2020 at 12:45 PM

DS

“ Lorna you will be missed you were such a kind and caring person a wonderful mother always my thoughts and prayers to the family.

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**Debbie Shaw** - November 23, 2020 at 02:59 PM

LT

“ Lorna and I were both confirmed in the same class at church many years ago. I remember when she worked in the bakery at Foster's and then at the library where she was always cheerful, very helpful and a dedicated employee. My thoughts are with Sharon and Mark also.

*John 14:19 - Jesus said: " Because I live, you also will live."*

*Lila Talsma*

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**Lila Talsma** - November 23, 2020 at 02:07 PM

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“ LORNA WAS A CLASSMATE OF MINE WITH THE CLASS OF 1952 SCOTTVILLE. I HAVE NOTHING BUT GOOD MEMORIES OF HER. MY CONDOLENCES TO HER SURVIVING FAMILY. LORNA NOW WHERE WE WILL ALL EVENTUALLY END IN THE LAND OF ETERNAL BLESSINGS.. LEN

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**Leonard Stankowski** - November 23, 2020 at 11:05 AM

SK

“ Shirley Knapp lit a candle in memory of Lorna Jean Dumas (Howe)



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**Shirley Knapp** - November 23, 2020 at 10:50 AM

JK

“ Such a soft spoken gentle spirit. Lots of love and pride for her home and family. Always made you feel like family. So glad to have known her. Hugs and Love to all. Julie Kitchen

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**julie kitchen** - November 22, 2020 at 10:35 PM



“ *JoAnn Mugford Simmons lit a candle in memory of Lorna Jean Dumas (Howe)* ”



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**JoAnn Mugford Simmons** - November 22, 2020 at 08:28 PM