



Blanche Marie Howard

April 30, 1919 - July 15, 2021

Blanche Marie Howard, of Royal Oak, passed away peacefully in her sleep on July 15, 2021 at the age of 102. Blanche was the loving grandmother of Mark (Kelly), Christopher (Debbie) , Stephen (Stephanie), and Michael; the adored grandmother of 7 great-grandchildren; and the dear aunt to several nieces and nephews. Blanche was preceded in death by her husband Fred, who passed away in 1997, her step-daughter Susan, and numerous beloved pets. Blanche was an avid member of the Orson Starr House Museum, the Red Hat Society, the Royal Oak Historical Society, Soroptimist, and the Purple Turtles Golf Group. She also enjoyed wintering in Lakeland, Florida in her earlier years. A celebration of life gathering will be held on Friday, July 23, 2021 at the Wm. Sullivan and Son Funeral Home, 8459 Hall Road (3 blocks East of Van Dyke), Utica, from 2:00 p.m. until 5:00 p.m. A Celebration of Life service will be held on Saturday, July 24, at 11:00 a.m. at the funeral home. If you are not vaccinated, please wear a mask at all times at the funeral home. In lieu of flowers, memorials are appreciated to the Rett Syndrome Foundation, 4600 Devitt Drive, Cincinnati, Ohio 45246, or at rettsyndrome.org. Please share a memory at www.SullivanFuneralHome.com

Cemetery Details

Acacia Park Cemetery

31300 Southfield Road
Beverly Hills, MI 48025

Previous Events

Celebration of Life gathering

JUL **23.** 2:00 PM - 5:00 PM (ET)

Wm Sullivan and Son Funeral Home
8459 Hall Road
Utica, MI 48317
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Celebration of Life Funeral Service

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

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Tribute Wall



“ *Beautiful in Blue was purchased for the family of Blanche Marie Howard.*



July 23, 2021 at 08:33 AM



“ *Like my brother, Ed Stokel (see previos post), I too harbor great memories of Aunt Blanche & Uncle Frosty over the decades. They were always a warm part of our lives at family get-togethers and holidays, especially after we moved to the Detroit area in the early '60's. As a boy I always thought she was a sharp dresser and later came to admire her good conversational abilities and sharp mind. My condolences to the other family members.
Bill Stokel, son of Barbara & Ed Stokel, grandson of Abe & Hazel Arnold (the later, nee Howard).
Galicia, SPAIN*

William Stokel - July 21, 2021 at 07:17 AM



Like my two brothers (Ed and William Stokel), I also have very fond memories of my Aunt Blanche. She was always so gentle and welcoming to us "kids", talked to us intelligently and with fondness. She will be missed by all of us. My condolences to all the family members.

Katie Stokel Ligeti (granddaughter of Abe and Hazel Howard Arnold

Kathryn Stokel - July 26, 2021 at 11:38 AM

BS

“ Mrs Howard was a customer of mine for many years. One day while I was servicing her grandfather clock we got on the subject of boating. She told me all about the cottage they had off the North Channel decades ago. With a big smile, Mrs Howard told me about the many parties they had on the island entertaining family and friends. I invited her to take a ride on my boat for a day on Lake St Clair. I picked up Mrs H and her lady friend on July 30, 2009 and off we went on my 1959 Chris Craft. We cruised by her old cottage then stopped by Deckers Landing, on the North Channel, for lunch. It was a great day for a Grand Lady! 1st two pics is on my Canadian friends boat, who happened to be at Deckers. 2nd pic on my boat.



Bob Stewart - July 20, 2021 at 10:27 PM



“ Sweet Tranquility Basket was purchased for the family of Blanche Marie Howard.



July 20, 2021 at 11:51 AM

ES

“ I have wonderful memories of "Aunt Blanche" as a young boy with several family visits to my grandparents, Abe and Hazel Arnold in Flint. She and Fred ("Uncle Frosty") always made an effort to make us feel welcome. My last memory was when Blanche attended my own wedding in 1992. She will be missed.

Edward A. Stokel, (son of Barbara Arnold and Edward Stokel)

Edward stokel - July 20, 2021 at 10:44 AM