



## Denise Sleeper

November 30, 1971 - March 5, 2025

Denise Marie Sleeper, age 53, of Royal Oak, passed away on March 5, 2025. She was born November 30th, 1971 in Lake Orion, Michigan.

Denise will be remembered as the loving mother of Courtney Sleeper. Proud grandmother of Empress and Pharaoh Sleeper. Dear sister of Derek (Vickie) Sleeper and aunt of Cody Sleeper. Denise is further survived by many friends and all her coworkers at Proctor Loan Protector. She was predeceased by her parents, Joan Lewandowski and Danny Lewandowski.

Denise was an avid football fan who loved the Detroit Lions. Perhaps the best way to describe Denise's outlook on life would be through her own words that she shared before she passed:

"My Dad always told me that we all put our pants on the same way, one leg at a time and to keep that in mind when people thought they were better. As they said more money doesn't make you a better person!! NO ONE and I mean NO ONE! is better than anyone else, and my heart is sad for those who think they are. No matter how big your house is, how new your car is, or how much money sits in your bank account - we all bleed red and will eventually fade from this earth. Death has no discrimination, and neither should your life. Be kind to others. We are all here to serve. Stop the power tripping. Your oversized ego or your TITLE won't get you anywhere. Be humble and kind!"

Memorial visitation for Denise will be held on Saturday, April 12 from 12 p.m. until time of her memorial service, 1 p.m., at Wm. Sullivan & Son Funeral Home, 705 W. Eleven Mile Rd. (four blocks east of Woodward) in Royal Oak.

Memorial contributions in honor of Denise can be directed to the wishes of the family.

Please share a memory at [SullivanFuneralDirectors.com](http://SullivanFuneralDirectors.com).

# Previous Events

## Memorial Visitation

APR 12. 12:00 PM (ET)

Wm. Sullivan and Son Funeral Directors-Royal Oak  
705 W. Eleven Mile Road  
Royal Oak, MI 48067  
(248) 541-7000  
royal@sullivanfh.com  
<https://www.sullivanfuneraldirectors.com/>

## Memorial Service

APR 12. 1:00 PM (ET)

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# Tribute Wall

CD

“ I worked with Denise for almost 17 years. She was a great person to work with and great friend. I'll remember her great sense of humor and passion for the Detroit Lions. I'll miss our conversations during football games. Rest in peace Denise.

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**Cris DeRieu** - April 11, 2025 at 06:23 PM

JB

“ Jackie and Bridget planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Denise Sleeper.

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**Jackie and Bridget** - April 08, 2025 at 09:21 AM

JB

“ Jackie and Bridget purchased the Country Basket Blooms for the family of Denise Sleeper.



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**Jackie and Bridget** - April 08, 2025 at 09:21 AM

JH

“ Denise was a friend of mine for many years, nearly half my life. She was the best person and I consider myself blessed to have gotten to know a side of her that she didn't show to many. We experienced parenthood together and shared our struggles and triumphs. One thing I loved most about Denise was that she would say anything on her mind and I could say anything to her. She was the most down to earth person I ever knew. She could make me crack up by her off-handed comments and wit. I truly admired her perseverance and intelligence. She would always joke that she was smarter because she was left-handed but she really was. Her daughter and grandchildren were her pride and joy and she never stopped talking about them and sharing pictures. She will forever be missed but I know she'll always be here in spirit watching over her daughter and grandchildren. Love, Jackie

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**Jacquelyn Hicks** - April 08, 2025 at 08:40 AM

BM

“ I have known Denise for many, many years. She and my daughter became friends while they were quite young, and we were all working at the same place. She lived close by and even brought her daughter over to go swimming with us. She was a kind and loving person. She had a big heart. After my grandson was born she would always be there for my daughter and him. Always reaching out on his birthdays, or commenting on posts made about something he had done or accomplished! She would help my daughter through tough times and conversations, and vice versa. She left this earth way too young with a daughter and two grandbabies of her own. I have no doubt she is looking down upon them from above and will do everything she can to make sure life is good for them. You are surely missed, Denise. Rest in Peace my dear.  
Love you,  
Bridget

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**Bridget A McCabe** - April 08, 2025 at 08:10 AM



“ *Denise was a longtime coworker of mine. She had a way of connecting with her team and had the best sense of humor. She loved her daughter and grandkids beyond words and spoke of them often. May Denise rest in peace. She will be missed. - Linda Dempsey*

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**Linda Marlene** - March 28, 2025 at 08:38 PM