



Eunice Ruth Bitzer

September 9, 1935 - May 25, 2026

Eunice Bitzer of Royal Oak, MI, age 90; departed this life to be with the Lord Jesus Christ on May 25, 2026. She was born in 1935 in Buffalo, NY, to Richard and Jean Bowen. She attended public schools in Warren, MI, graduating from Lincoln High School in 1953, and attended South Macomb Community College, graduating in 1962. She worked at Michigan Bell Telephone as a service representative and product demonstrator. Later she worked as a secretary at Pontiac Plastics, Metals Finishing, and at First Presbyterian Church in a single-person office setting.

She was married to Howard Bitzer for 48 years. She is preceded in death by her husband, Howard, her parents, and her dear brother, Bill Bowen, and sister-in-law, Lorene Carey.

She is survived by her sister-in-law Sally Bowen, daughter, Deborah Susan (Richard) Graeber, three nephews and a niece: David (Yvonne) Bowen, Robert (Virginia) Bowen, Douglas (Sheryl) Carey and Carolyn (Mike) Taylor, and great aunt of Christian Bowen, Sasha Bowen, Brayden Bowen, Ashley Taylor, Brandon Taylor and Chance Taylor.

Eunice was actively involved with her church. She was a true Bible scholar, and her heart's joy was teaching God's Word to young people and adults alike. She cherished her friends at Camps Farthest Out and caravanning

down to retreats at Capon Springs, WV, each Fall. Through decades of faithful Christian service and teaching, she touched hundreds of lives. Eternity alone will tell just how many lives she touched for the Lord.

She had a love for all animals, and she and Howard had several dogs over the years. Terry, Curly, "Doc", Shyla, and Annie brought her much love and many challenges.

She loved traveling at home and abroad, gardening, and was an avid reader.

The last five years of Eunice's life were spent at Novi Lakes Health Campus in Novi, MI. There she was well cared for by a wonderful group of staff too numerous to mention.

In lieu of flowers, the family suggests that donations be made to Emmanuel Bethel Church, 4000 Normandy Road, Royal Oak, MI 48073.

Visitation will be held at Emmanuel Bethel Church, 4000 Normandy Road, Royal Oak, MI from 10:30 a.m. to 11:30 a.m. on Saturday, May 30, 2026. Following the visitation a service remembering Eunice and celebrating her life will take place, also at Emmanuel Bethel, from 11:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. A luncheon will follow the service in the church's Fellowship Hall.

Interment will be at a later date at Roseland Park Cemetery, Berkley, MI. Share your memories at www.sullivanfuneraldirectors.com.

Cemetery Details

Roseland Park Cemetery

29001 Woodward Avenue
(NW corner of 12 Mile and Woodward)
Berkley, MI 48072

Previous Events

Visitation

MAY 30. 10:30 AM - 11:30 AM (ET)

Emmanuel Bethel Church
4000 Normandy Road
Royal Oak, MI 48073

Funeral Service

MAY 30. 11:30 AM (ET)

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4000 Normandy Road
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Burial

JUN 1. 3:00 PM (ET)

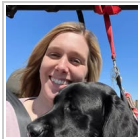
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Tribute Wall

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“ I was one of those who was touched by the life and faithfulness of Eunice. Having just lost my mom last year, I can imagine the reunion of the Tuesday Bible study group! 🙏 The many memories of studying the Word, singing at retreats together and just the joy of our sweet friendship will be with me always! I had wanted to visit with my violin and play “the medley” for her, but that will just have to wait for our next reunion! Rest well, good and faithful servant! ☐

Karen Krause - June 02 at 01:32 PM



“ I take my therapy dog, Carly, to visit Novi Lakes twice a month. Eunice was Carly's favorite person, and anyone who saw them together knew it. She always knew exactly where to scratch her and never missed a chance to make her feel special. Sundays won't be the same without seeing her smiling face. We will miss her dearly and are grateful for the kindness and joy she brought to so many, including one very lucky black Lab.

Brynn Schaad - May 29 at 06:30 PM

DS

“ Eunice was a wonderful influence on so many young people including my own children. She is certainly a member of our “cloud of witnesses”. Much love to you Sue, and to your entire family.

Deborah Callahan Schramm - May 27 at 10:20 PM

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“ Dani &. planted a grove of 3 [Memorial Trees](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Eunice Ruth Bitzer.

Dani &. - May 27 at 08:35 AM

SH

“ God welcomed you home! From bible class in 3rd grade to years of Women's retreats and Circle. You were a blessing to me!

Sheryl Hunter - May 26 at 05:32 PM

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Eunice blessed my life in so many ways. She was kind, loving, inspirational and an example of how to model Christ. I learned so much from her Bible studies, her friendship and the example she set as a Christ follower. What dear person and precious Sister in the Lord.

Stephanie Patton - May 30 at 07:18 PM