



## Geraldine "Gerre" Sellheim

April 20, 1923 - July 9, 2016

Sellheim, Geraldine "Gerre". Age 93. July 9, 2016.

Beloved wife of the late F. William. Mother to Marilyn (Enrique, MD) Enriquez, Woody (Kathy) Smith and Debbie (Chuck) Adams. Proud grandma of Alex and Jennifer Enriquez; Taylor and Austin Smith; Christopher (Joelle) Adams and Lisa Adams. Great grandma of Violet, Vincent, Jagger and Skylar Adams. Step-mother of Susan (Bill) Beanblossom. Step-grandma of Brad (Lara) Beanblossom, Christie (Matthew) Theis and Blake (Alison) Beanblossom. Step-great grandma of Caroline, Kenleigh and Brooke Theis; Amy, Ali, Shone and Jonah Beanblossom. Bill and Gerre were soulmates and married in 1966. They had a wonderful married life together and, as members of the Nomads, traveled extensively. Gerre touched countless lives with her generosity. She was a charming person and known for her wit, wisdom and witty sense of humor. You could always count on Gerre to lend an ear and listen to what was going on in your life and give sage advice when needed. She loved to cook, entertain and had many wonderful friendships. The Sellheim's were previous members at Red Run Golf and Country Club in Royal Oak. Gerre left a legacy of needlepoint individually designed and created for family and friends. Although she never had children, she created a family of children and grandchildren by bringing us all together with her love and caring. Because of her, we have each other even as she leaves us. The family will receive friends Thursday, July 14 from 10 am until time of the memorial service 11 am at the Wm. Sullivan & Son Funeral Home, 705 W. 11 Mile Rd. (4 blocks E. of

Woodward), Royal Oak. Memorial contributions to Children's Hospital of Michigan Foundation, Box 257, 3901 Beaubien, Detroit 48201 are appreciated. Share your memories at [www.sullivanfuneraldirectors.com](http://www.sullivanfuneraldirectors.com).

# Cemetery Details

## White Chapel Memorial Cemetery

621 W. Long Lake Road  
Troy, MI 48098

# Previous Events

## Memorial Visitation

JUL 14. 10:00 AM - 11:00 AM (ET)

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# Tribute Wall

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“ Dear to our hearts Gerre,  
A woman of grace, beauty, warmth , wit and charm whose life filled  
ours with kindness, laughter and generosity..  
Gerre was a devoted friend who touched the lives of ordinary  
people with her remarkable presence, unconditional love and her  
devotion that will not be forgotten. .  
For those of us Ordinary people; she took under her protective  
loving wings.. She loved us all unconditionally and called us her  
family in such a special way that can't be described with words.  
There is no doubt that we would not be who we are or where we are  
today if not for our beloved Friend. Gerre lived to help others and  
used her privileged lifestyle to influence and benifit our lives .  
May God comfort each of our hearts and carry us through the days  
ahead with dignity and strength as we honor the life so dear to our  
hearts.  
There is no doubt that her love and devotion will not be forgotten  
and will inspire us all to be better people.  
That is how her spirit will live on forever...  
Inside each of our hearts, forever she will stay ..  
With great Love,  
Tammy💖

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tammy marinos - July 13, 2016 at 09:59 AM

PM

“ Gerre,

*This is directed to you because you are simply in a much better place now and probably getting everything organized..*

*From the first moment my wife, Tammy and I met you ( 30 years ago ), we recognized you were a very Special person. God placed you on this Earth and you touched so many people in such positive ways.*

*Amazingly, there was NEVER a year gone by that you didn't send a Birthday or Anniversary card to every member of our family.... Still don't know how you did that, but each one was appreciated.*

*There will NEVER be another Gerre and we treasure every memory. Bill finally has his "best friend" by his side again.*

*We will see you again.....*

*God Bless you our dear friend..*

*Love,*

*Paul, Tammy, Jennifer, Angel and Jeana Marinos*

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**Paul and Tammy Marinos** - July 12, 2016 at 10:16 AM

GE

“ Marilyn, so sorry to hear about your Mom. She was a beautiful lady and I know you meant a lot to her. Take care of yourself during this difficult time. Gerri



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**Gerri** - July 11, 2016 at 09:20 PM



“ Gerre was an amazing woman! I knew Gerre through my connection and ownership of Fordsell since the mid- 1990's. She loved her husband Bill and worked at Fordsell herself. In the late 1990's and 2000's we had many conversations about the company and its people and she always had compassion for its employees over the years. What a bright, energetic, straightforward woman and a joy to be considered a friend. We will miss her and Fordsell is fortunate to have had Gerre as a friend.

- David Redfield, co-owner of Fordsell Machine

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**Dave Redfield** - July 11, 2016 at 04:12 PM

PH

“ I've only known Gerre for a few years but she welcomed me to spend holidays and just to visit. She was quick to laugh, compassionate and a joy to be around. She was intuitive and welcoming. I called her one day and asked if she could do my laundry and she said sure bring it over. So when I arrived and I wasn't holding a laundry basket, she opened the door wider looking for the laundry basket. I told her I was just kidding and was there to visit so we had lunch together. I will miss my visits together.

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**Pat Holderness** - July 11, 2016 at 11:43 AM

JH

“ Always enjoyed speaking with Gerre on the phone when she called my mother and her visits to Ellington, NY to visit family, Gerre was my grandfather's cousin.

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**Jerry Howe** - July 11, 2016 at 11:42 AM

SD

*So blessed to have had your unique, faithful friendship. Loved every minute I saw you, spoke to you, or just thought of you. You exemplified loyalty and love.*

*I still chuckle about a "perfect" birthday card I found for you a few years back that talked about "the most classy woman I know" and when opened it read.....now send it back to me next year!!! Well, you all know what I received the following year :)*

*I will miss you dearly but so thankful I went to work at Fordsell Machine Products when I was 18 years old. Love, Sandy Dacey*

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**Sandra Dacey** - July 31, 2016 at 11:43 AM

LR

*Geraldine, I still struggle with your passing. When I read your last wishes I'm so confused. I need to set the record straight even if it's only read by me. I was your immediate family, not those listed. I was the one that should have been listed. I'm still upset that people who are unrelated have possession of family pictures etc. I'm not sure what led you to this, but I was and am your closetest family. The rest if they are unrelated and if Bill were not part of the equation would not have existed.*

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**Leslie Rai** - September 02, 2024 at 10:00 PM