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Norma Jean Robertson passed away peacefully December 15, 2019 in Royal Oak, MI, at the age of 86, while surrounded by her family. Born November 7, 1933, she lived in Strathroy Ontario, until her family moved to Detroit when she was 6. Norma attended Cass Tech High School in Detroit, and would often be seen riding the bus to Tiger Stadium to watch a ball game. After high school, she worked at Kresge Headquarters as a secretary.

In her younger years, Norma was quite the social butterfly. She was part of a social club called The Hikers' and she spent many hours skiing, swimming, dancing and playing softball with some of her closest friends including her sister Vera and her very good friend Janet McPherson (Taratuda). It was while in this social club that Norma caught the eye of a young man, Ronald Russel Robertson, who proposed to his Normsie during a New Year's Eve party.

Norma and Ron were married at St. John Episcopal Church in Royal Oak on September 17, 1966 with many friends and family members in attendance. They settled into married life in Highland Park, living above the family owned

storefront of Motor Parts Company. In 1969, Normsie and Ron moved to Huntington Woods and started a family of their own, having three boys: Ryan Russell, Robb Ronald, and Rohn Richard.

Tragically, at the age of 45, Ron passed away, leaving Norma a young widow. Being a strong, proud, and goal-oriented woman, Norma obtained her Realtor license, and raised her three boys on her own. She spent many hours at the Royal Oak Ice Arena watching her sons play hockey, and was tickled pink when her grandkids later played the same sport. Perhaps one of her greatest accomplishments, Norma successfully put all three of her sons through college.

What may have been Norma's greatest joy was her grandchildren. Norma was blessed to have six grandchildren who she enjoyed spending her time with whether it was taking them shopping or baking cookies on their many overnight visits. Norma was very proud to have her grandchildren attend church with her regularly and always looked forward to lunch afterward. Anyone who worked with Norma surely heard hours of stories of how smart and amazing her grandchildren were.

In her 60's, Norma became a US citizen as it was very important for her to be able to participate in the election. Norma liked to keep busy, and kept an extremely tidy house and it was often a running family joke that cleaning was her hobby. In her later years, she worked at Beaumont Health, Royal Oak, first in the Emergency Center as a Comfort Tech Aide, and later as a surgical receptionist. She retired officially in 2013 at the age of 80.

Norma will always be known as being very dedicated and loving to her family. In addition to her husband, children, and grandchildren, she was very close to her parents, Kathleen and Melvin Quackenbush, her sister, Vera McRitchie, and her brother, William Quackenbush. She was a beloved wife, mother,

daughter, sister, aunt and friend to many.

After 36 years of being separated, Normsie and Ron are now reunited. Although they are missed greatly, we are positive they are happy and are resting in perfect peace.

Beloved wife of the late Ronald Robertson. Loving mother of Ryan (Tracey Drotos) Robertson, Robb (Lori) Robertson and Rohn (Raina) Robertson. Proud grandmother of Bradley Bishop, Jeffrey Bishop, Henry Robertson, Caroline Robertson, Russel Robertson and Riely Robertson. Dear sister of William (Mary Ann) Quackenbush and the late Vera McRitchie. Visitation Friday 9:30 am until time of funeral 11 am at Wm. Sullivan and Son Funeral Home, 705 W. 11 Mile Rd. (4 blks. E. of Woodward), Royal Oak. Interment will follow at White Chapel Cemetery, Troy. Share your memories at www.sullivanfuneraldirectors.com.

Cemetery Details

White Chapel Memorial Cemetery

621 W. Long Lake Road
Troy, MI 48098

Previous Events

Visitation

DEC 20. 9:30 AM (ET)

Wm. Sullivan and Son Funeral Directors-Royal Oak
705 W. Eleven Mile Road
Royal Oak, MI 48067
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Funeral Service

DEC 20. 11:00 AM (ET)

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Tribute Wall

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“ Norma and I worked in real estate together and we sat next to each other. She is one of the nicest people I knew. She loved her boys and made sure they had a good life. They don't make many people like Norma.

Sherry E Fremont - December 20, 2019 at 10:35 AM

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“ Mrs Robertson was my second "hockey mom"... She was one of the sweetest people I've ever had the pleasure and honor to know. She has raised 3 amazing young men whom I'm privileged to have as friends to this day. Words cannot express what a wonderful person she was, but her legacy will live on through her children and grandchildren. I spent countless hours in the basement of her home, growing up playing floor hockey after ice hockey practices and games with her oldest boy, Ryan. She always had a smile and a stern "be careful down there boys!" to impart on us. I always loved seeing her at the Royal Oak rink through many years of playing with Ryan, and also Robb. She even said hi to me the same way, with love, after games when I played against Ryan and scored on him! Amazing!! (Lol) Although we are sad to see Norma go home to God, I am happy that she is reunited with her love, Ron, whom she has missed dearly for a long, long time. I will never forget you Mrs Robertson - your love and kindness have made the earthly world a much better place, so now be at peace. Thank you. Much love to you and the wonderful family you leave behind (for now). Ted Bishop



Ted Bishop - December 19, 2019 at 01:38 PM



“ *Crystal Cross Bouquet was purchased for the family of Norma Robertson.*



December 19, 2019 at 11:10 AM



“ *Divine Peace Bouquet was purchased for the family of Norma Robertson.*



December 19, 2019 at 09:57 AM



“ *Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum was purchased for the family of Norma Robertson.*



December 18, 2019 at 02:07 PM