



Paulette Lein

January 9, 1941 - June 9, 2025

Paulette Sleeter (Mitchell) Lein of West Bloomfield, Michigan, died June 9, 2025. She was 84 years old.

Paulette was born on a farm near Reinbeck, Iowa, on January 9, 1941, to Paul and Josephine (Sleeter) Mitchell. She attended Reinbeck High School and Iowa State University. She married Jarold Richard Lein at Amity United Presbyterian Church, rural Reinbeck, immediately after her graduation from ISU. After Jerry completed his service in the United States Air Force in 1965, he and Paulette moved to Detroit, Michigan.

Paulette worked in education, mainly in the Dearborn Public Schools, for over 30 years. She was a classroom teacher, learning support teacher, consulting teacher, resource reading teacher, assistant principal, and, at the time of her retirement, the principal of William Ford Elementary School. During this time she earned her Master of Education degree from Wayne State University and did additional graduate work at Michigan State University, the University of Michigan, and Eastern Michigan University. She also raised a family, was active in her church, and enjoyed cooking, reading, writing, and studying family history. After retirement, Paulette enjoyed spending summers in Galena, Illinois, and winters near St. Augustine, Florida. She had more time to devote to her writing and started her own blog. Paulette was a lifelong learner with a wide variety of interests.

Paulette is survived by her children, Cynthia (Kevin) Stanley, Jeffrey Lein, Jonathan (Joanna) Lein, and by her grandchildren, Claire Stanley, Timothy Stanley, Jessica Lein, and Jeremy Lein. She is also survived by her sister, Reta (Orvis) Dahlen, and her brother, Rodrick Mitchell. She was predeceased by her husband, Jerry. They were married 52 years.

The visitation will be Friday, June 13, from 10 am until the time of the service at 11 am, at Northbrook Presbyterian Church, 22055 W. Fourteen Mile Road, Beverly Hills. All are welcome to join the family for lunch immediately following at Red Run Golf Club, 2036 Rochester Road, Royal Oak.

Previous Events

Visitation

JUN 13. 10:00 AM - 11:00 AM (ET)

Northbrook Presbyterian Church
22055 W. 14 Mile Road
Beverly Hills, MI 48025

Funeral Service

JUN 13. 11:00 AM (ET)

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Beverly Hills, MI 48025

Tribute Wall



“ A [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) was planted in honor of Paulette Lein.

June 12, 2025 at 10:47 AM



“ Peaceful White Lilies Basket was purchased for the family of Paulette Lein.



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