



Rita A. Peasley

September 4, 1948 - September 16, 2018

Rita A Peasley, age 70, passed away peacefully on Sunday, September 16th, 2018 at Beaumont Hospital in Royal Oak. She was born September 4th, 1948 to Draffus and Elva (King) Burgess who preceded her in death. She graduated in 1966 from Kimball High School and held a Bachelor of Business Administration from Northwood University. Retiring from Chrysler after 36 years of dedicated service in the banking and accounts receivable fields, she followed her passion for community service and her love of the zoo and began her volunteer career. She continued to volunteer in a wide variety of roles at the Detroit Zoo all while working in the guest relations department. She was an avid gardener and maintained not only a monarch waystation at the zoo, but a lovingly cared for garden at home. She is survived by her brother William (Gail) Burgess, her children Heather (Todd) Barringer and Matthew (Valerie) Peasley and her beloved grandchildren, Travis and Peyton Peasley.

Memorial visitation will be held Thursday, September 20th from 3 pm - 8 pm and again Saturday from 8 am - 10:30 am at Merrifield Hall at St. Luke's Episcopal Church in Ferndale. The memorial service will be at 11 am Saturday at St. Luke's with a luncheon immediately following. Any donations can be directed to the Detroit Zoological Society in Rita's name.

St. Luke's Episcopal Church
540 W. Lewiston, Ferndale, MI 48220

Merrifield Hall is located directly behind (west) of the church.

Previous Events

Memorial Visitation

SEP 20. 3:00 PM - 8:00 PM (ET)

St. Luke's Episcopal Church ~ Merrifield Hall
540 W. Lewiston Avenue (behind/west of church)
Ferndale, MI 48220

Memorial Visitation

SEP 22. 8:00 AM - 10:30 AM (ET)

St. Luke's Episcopal Church ~ Merrifield Hall
540 W. Lewiston Avenue (behind/west of church)
Ferndale, MI 48220

Memorial Service

SEP 22. 11:00 AM (ET)

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Tribute Wall

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“ *Matt & Kate Masseth purchased the Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum for the family of Rita A. Peasley.*



Matt & Kate Masseth - September 20, 2018 at 03:07 PM

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“ *The Hunt Family & The Wright Family purchased the Florist Choice Bouquet for the family of Rita A. Peasley.*



The Hunt Family & The Wright Family - September 20, 2018 at 10:29 AM