



Willadean Hood

August 3, 1935 - June 24, 2026

Willadean Hood, age 90, of Ferndale, passed away on June 24, 2026. She was born on August 3, 1935, in Slayden, Tennessee, to Grady and Sarah Parker.

Willadean spent her early years in Tennessee, where she met the love of her life, Ernest. Following Ernest's discharge from the United States Navy, the couple made their home in the Detroit area, where they built a life together and raised their family.

Willadean found joy in life's simple pleasures. She had a special love for flowers and gardening and took great pride in tending to her yard. She enjoyed watching birds, especially cardinals, whose bright red color always brought a smile to her face. She loved working puzzles and word searches, and she never passed up an opportunity to go shopping-something she would have happily done every day. Willadean also looked forward to her yearly visits to Frankenmuth, Michigan.

Family was at the center of Willadean's life. She cherished going out to eat with loved ones, spending time with family, and creating lasting memories around the dinner table. She was known for her delicious home-cooked meals and the warmth she shared while hosting family dinners, bringing everyone together through her love and hospitality.

Willadean will be remembered as the beloved wife of the late Ernest, who passed in 2014. Loving mother of Terry Hood, Janice Sizemore, Karen (Aaron) Holtz, and the late Debora Sizemore. Proud grandmother of Douglas Hood, Ricky Bender, Sarah (Nick) Ramm, Shannon (Bob) Young, Lewis (Jen) Sizemore Jr., Joseph McKeever, Trenten Holtz, and Tabitha Holtz; and great-grandmother of Kyle Bender, Noah Ramm, Grayson Ramm, Robert (Lizzy) Young, Taylor Sizemore, Ari Sizemore, Delilah Sizemore, and the late Lewis Sizemore III; and great-great grandmother of Carter Rae Sizemore and Lewis Sizemore IV. Dear sister of Katherine Parker and the late Robert Parker, Paul Parker, Carl Parker, Elvis Parker, Arnold Parker, Margaret Parker, and Dorothy Flynn.

Visitation for Willadean will be held on Monday, June 29, from 2 - 8 p.m. at Wm. Sullivan & Son Funeral Directors, 705 W. Eleven Mile Rd. (four blocks east of Woodward), Royal Oak. The funeral service will be held on Tuesday, June 30 at 10:30 a.m. at the funeral home. Interment will follow at Great Lakes National Cemetery in Holly, MI.

In lieu of flowers, memorial contributions may be made to the American Cancer Society in Willadean's memory.

Upcoming Events

Visitation

JUN **29**. 2:00 PM - 8:00 PM (ET)

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

Funeral Service

JUN **30**. 10:30 AM (ET)

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Burial

JUN **30**. 1:30 PM (ET)

Great Lakes National Cemetery
4200 Belford Road
Holly Township, MI 48442

Tribute Wall

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“ *Katherine Parker Hayes purchased the Divine Peace Bouquet for the family of Willadean Hood.*



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