



## Carol Lee Clouse

October 16, 1949 - September 11, 2024

Carol Lee Clouse, 74, of Traverse City passed away on Wednesday, September 11, 2024. Carol was born October 16, 1949, in Kalkaska to Ernest and Ardis Childs. Carol married Franklin D. Clouse on November 21, 1964, and together they raised two children, Bonita Kay Alfonso and Clark Douglas Clouse. Carol loved providing a wonderful home for her children and that love and dedication continued with her three grandchildren. She was famous for her peanut butter fudge; no matter who tried, we could not duplicate her recipe. Carol was blessed to have her first great-grandchild in August and spent the last seven weeks just loving on her. Carol had an unwavering faith in God and her family likes to think she is in heaven smiling with her best friend Sandy whom she has missed greatly. Carol's love reached beyond blood as she became "Nana" to many close friends. The Caldwell and Mafonko families were truly loved and adopted by Nana. Carol is survived by her children Kay (Mike) Alfonso and Clark Clouse; grandchildren Tyler, Megan and Grant and their significant others Paige Voice and Chris Dinkins; great-grandchild Athena; and step-granddaughter Penelope; brothers Dennis (Joanne) Childs, Randy (Karen) Childs; and many nieces and nephews. She was preceded in death by her husband, Frank, and her parents, Ernest and Ardis. The family will be having a private memorial. Please take a moment to recall a memory of Carol that brings a smile to your face — that's what she would have wanted.