



## Elaine Marie Gaultier

December 11, 1934 - May 29, 2024

Elaine Marie Gaultier, 89, of South Boardman, passed away on Wednesday, May 29, 2024. She was born to Cleon and Erma (McTaggart) Brockway on December 11, 1934 in South Boardman. Elaine studied at Western Michigan University until her marriage to Gerald "Jerry" Gaultier on October 15, 1954, then followed her husband while he served in the USAF. They returned to Michigan, where Elaine worked as an art teacher for many years. She was co-owner with her husband of Boardman Valley Construction for over 50 years. Elaine was proud to have a part in raising 22 children, 4 of whom were her own, and then many others who needed a home for weeks, months, or some for years. She was an independent, sassy lady who loved her family dearly. She enjoyed cooking delicious meals, writing humorous poetry, painting, and gardening. She worked on the Kalkaska County Jury Board for many years. Elaine will be lovingly remembered by her children Douglas (Rosie) Gaultier, Toni Renee Gaultier, Melanie (Ed Hoffman) McTaggart, and Shaleen Gaultieri; five grandchildren; seven great-grandchildren; sister-in-law Judith Gaultieri; brother-in-law Rodney (Nita) Gaultier, brother-in-law Donald Forbes, and her many Forbes nieces and nephews, as well as her many Brockway nieces and nephews to whom she was known as Aunty Rea. She was preceded in death by her husband; her parents; and siblings Richard "Al" Brockway and Helen Forbes.

A graveside service will be held on Saturday, June 1, 2024 at Boardman Township Cemetery in South Boardman, Michigan at 1:00 PM. Her children

are hosting a gathering following the service at Elaine's home in South Boardman, 5487 Mill Street to honor her wishes to "throw a party or wake in my name." All are welcome to join us.

In lieu of flowers, contributions in Elaine's name may be made to the non-profit organization, All Kids Thrive. (<https://allkidsthive.org>). Arrangements have been entrusted to Kalkaska Funeral Home and Cremation Services.

# Cemetery Details

## Boardman Township Cemetery

4668 Boardman River Rd SW  
South Boardman, MI

# Previous Events

## Graveside Service

JUN 1. 1:00 PM (ET)

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# Tribute Wall

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“ I have very fond memories of Elaine. She chaired and worked diligently on the Kalkaska County Jury Board for untold years. Before and during most of the years I was Kalkaska County Clerk. She worked closely with Melb Lewis and Blanche Leach the other members of the Jury Board. They were all great servants to our County. Elaine & Jerry Gaultier both contributed to the county and numerous individuals unknown to most. Jerry, also, served on various County Boards. They were a very giving couple and I enjoyed working and conversing with both of them. I always learned new things from both of them. They served their County well. My sincere sympathy to all of their family. I encourage each of you to hold all your precious memories close and draw on them to get you through the days, weeks and months forward. May God Bless each of you. Rest in peace, Elaine, and enjoy your rewards and your reunion with Jerry and the rest of you family!



*Patty Jackson Rodgers  
Kalkaska County Clerk, Retired*

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**Rodgers** - May 31, 2024 at 03:09 PM

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“ I have loving memories of Elaine. She served our County well with all the years she served on the Kalkaska County Jury Board, before and during my years as Kalkaska County Clerk. She gave of herself unselfishly for so many people and causes, as did Jerry. Both were easy to talk to and to work with and I enjoyed conversing and working with both of them. The world would be much better off if it were filled w/more people like Elaine and Jerry. My sincere sympathy to all of Elaine's family. Enjoy your many wonderful memories, I am sure Y'All have many. God Bless each of you. May you rest in peace Elaine!

*Patty Jackson Rodgers*

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**Rodgers** - May 31, 2024 at 02:12 PM

CD

“ 1 file added to the album memories of Elaine



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**Christina DeVita** - May 31, 2024 at 11:22 AM

RO

*Precious picture!*

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**Rodgers** - May 31, 2024 at 02:14 PM

DN

“ *Deborah Newell lit a candle in memory of Elaine Gaultier*



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**Deborah Newell** - May 30, 2024 at 07:20 PM

PP

“ *Loved Elaine and Jerry...  
And had so very many great visits with them through out the years...  
A wonderful family...  
Hugs and prayers for the Family and Friends left behind..*

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**Polly & Wayne Piltz** - May 30, 2024 at 02:21 PM