



## Juanita M. Coon

December 30, 1948 - June 24, 2020

Juanita M. Coon passed away on June 24, 2020. She was the daughter of Lester and Ethelyn (Decker) Dean. She was born, December 30, 1948, in Jeddo, Michigan. Juanita worked in the Kalkaska Public Schools as a cook for 26 years. While employed at the school she served as President of the Support Staff Union for several years. Juanita also did work for Operation Christmas Child under the direction of Franklin Graham and others. She attended the Peoples Church of Kalkaska up until she became too weak. She was a sound system operator for Sunday services and special events, a leader in Women's Fellowship, and helped with both the church flea market and craft show. She was also President of the Executive Board at one time and would buy supplies for the church as needed. She authored a book titled, "Coldsprings Township Cemetery Kalkaska, Michigan" for the Kalkaska Genealogical Society. Copies can be found in the Kalkaska Library and the Governmental Library in Lansing. She also compiled two books on Kalkaska County obituaries; they were published in 1990 and 1991. Juanita also wrote a book on the history of her family titled, "Dean Family History" in 1987. Juanita always loved going to the Commission on Aging and helping people whenever she could. She also helped the Kalkaska 4-H Archery program as a leader. Juanita is survived by her husband Earl Coon, daughters Elizabeth Coon (Steven Milks and Shannon Milks) and Rebecca (Philip) Chandran, three grandsons Immanuel, Israel and Benjamin Chandran, granddaughter Noelle Chandran, and her brother Richard (Kathy) Dean. She was preceded

in death by her parents, six brothers Merritt, Leonard, Jack, Robert, David, and Burton Dean, and two sisters Rosemary Pryzelawski and Dorothy Dean. Cremation will take place and the family may hold a celebration of life at a later date. In lieu of flowers, Juanita has asked for donations to Operation Christmas Child, Samaritan's Purse, PO Box 3000, Boone, NC 28607. She will be laid to rest in the Coon family lot at the Star Township Cemetery in Alba, Michigan. Arrangements have been entrusted to Kalkaska Funeral Home.

# Cemetery Details

## Star Township Cemetery

Alba, MI

# Events

Details are pending.

# Tribute Wall

SG

“ Dear Earl, Beth and Becky,  
"Rejoice in the Lord alway: and again I say , Rejoice. Php. 4:4  
This was Juanita. A woman who loved the Lord, her family and  
friends. Our hope is that one day, we too, shall join Juanita in  
Heaven.

*Sandy (Alspaugh) Gray*

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**Sandra Gray** - July 07, 2020 at 09:16 AM

DW

“ Always kind and welcoming. She loved her family and was proud of  
her girls. Earl, I am sorry for the loss of your best friend, love of your  
life, and exceptional mother. My thoughts and love are with you all.

*Diane Wildfong*

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**diane wildfong** - June 29, 2020 at 11:35 PM

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**diane wildfong** - June 29, 2020 at 11:33 PM

DB

“ *Juanita was a very sweet lady to know & a pleasure to work with in the kitchen in Kalkaska Memorial Hospital....so happy to have known her....  
Prayers for her family.*

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**Darlene Bourne** - June 29, 2020 at 10:03 PM

CI

“ *I knew Juanita from the COA, she was a very caring and compassionate person. My condolences to the family.*

*Cindy Ingalls*

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**Cindy Ingalls** - June 28, 2020 at 12:09 AM

BD

“ *I have many wonderful memories over the years with Juanita. I still praise her for the excellent job she did on The Dean History Book. Back then 1987 she had little to work with including a typewriter that was broke done most of the time. She would get it fixed and carry on.  
You are going to be deeply missed*

*Much love to the family  
Betty Dean Davis*

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**Betty Davis** - June 27, 2020 at 08:04 PM

SP

“ Prayers said for you, Ear,l & the girls.Jerry and I and the boys are so very sorry for Your loss!!! Your wife was a wonderful person with a giving soul! Just think of all the lives she has touched!!! How many youths lives she changed threw the 4-H Archery program. Juanita was a giver!!! She gave of herself and never asked for anything in return!! She is loved by many! The Peck Family . Sarah Jerry Bryan Dennis

Sarah Peck - June 26, 2020 at 04:13 PM

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“ I am so sorry for your loss, Uncle Earl, Liz, and Becky. I love you all very much. I have many memories with Aunt Juanita and cannot believe she is gone. I will always love and miss her.

Carrie Black (Vandergriff) - June 25, 2020 at 10:30 PM

NB

“ Nancy Budrow lit a candle in memory of Juanita M. Coon



Nancy Budrow - June 24, 2020 at 09:17 PM

MD

So sad to hear that Juanita has passed on to her Heavenly home 😞 Prayers for all families an we shell see you again Juanita in Heaven the great reunion on high 🙏❤️ Love Marvin & Doris Day

Marvin & Doris Day - June 25, 2020 at 03:46 PM

RN

“ So sorry to hear of Juanita passing she will be missed. God bless.  
Robin Nyson

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**Robin Nyson** - June 24, 2020 at 08:21 PM

EL

“ What a **WONDERFUL LADY**. It was a delight to see her smiling face at work. She **ALWAYS** had time for **EVERYONE**. I am so sorry for your family's loss. Sincerely, Jerry and Ellen

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**Ellen** - June 24, 2020 at 05:58 PM