



## Nelda Delores Wilson

January 6, 1933 - September 4, 2023

Nelda Delores Wilson, 90, of Kalkaska and formerly of Gaylord, passed away on September 4, 2023 at the Grand Traverse Pavilions in Traverse City with her family by her side. She was born on January 6, 1933 to the late Hannah (Jolly) and Reverend Robert Davis. Nelda grew up in South Boardman, Michigan with her brothers Robert and Jim Davis, sister Marian (Davis) Kelly. The family later moved to Oxbow Lake, where Nelda graduated from Walled Lake Schools. After graduation Nelda enlisted in the Army, she traveled to Fort Lee, Virginia for basic training and later onto Houston Texas for Lab Technician Training before being stationed on a ship during the Korean War. Upon discharge she moved to Fort Ord, California where she met and married Richard Wilson. Nelda and Richard moved back to Kalkaska, Michigan where they lived for many years. Nelda opened her own business, an ice cream shop named "The Happy Pup" located in Kalkaska. After Richard's sudden passing, Nelda moved to Gaylord, Michigan where she worked in a few doctors' offices as a Lab Technician. There she met Robert Hackney her life partner. Nelda and Robert lived and retired in Gaylord, Michigan. After Robert's passing Nelda moved back to Kalkaska to be closer to family and where she met her best friend Christene Mancini. Nelda enjoyed spending time with her family and friends, she looked forward to Sunday church service, church outings and any social gatherings. Nelda had a kind heart, was loving and caring. Nelda had a smile that could light up a room and was gifted with the best sense of humor. She loved all animals, spending time outdoors, she

enjoyed reading and watching her favorite television shows. Nelda was preceded in death by her parents Robert and Hannah Davis, her siblings Robert and Jim Davis and Marian (Davis) Kelly. Surviving are her many Nieces and Nephews and dear friends. Visitation will be from 10-11am on Monday, September 11, 2023 at Kalkaska Funeral Home. The funeral service will begin at 11:00am following the visitation. Burial will follow in Evergreen Cemetery in Kalkaska. Arrangements have been entrusted to Kalkaska Funeral Home.

# Cemetery Details

## Evergreen Cemetery

272 West St.  
Kalkaska, MI 49646

# Previous Events

## Visitation

SEP 11. 10:00 AM - 11:00 AM (ET)

Kalkaska Funeral Home  
152 S. Cedar  
Kalkaska, MI 49646  
(231) 258-3346

## Funeral Service

SEP 11. 11:00 AM (ET)

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# Tribute Wall



“ *Full Of Love Bouquet was purchased for the family of Nelda Delores Wilson.*



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