



Valerie Ann Witowski

March 1, 1940 - December 23, 2014

Valerie A. Witowski, 74, of Bellaire passed away on December 23, 2014. Valerie was born in Dillonvale, Ohio to Stanley Civinski and Julia (Toth) Civinski Greene who both preceded her in death. She lived most of her life in Michigan and was an only child. She graduated from Chadsey High School in 1957. Later she married her former husband Gerald J. Witowski Sr. and together they had four wonderful children, Gerald(Sherry) Witowski Jr. of Bellaire, Brian Witowski of Scottsdale, Arizona, Tammy Witowski of Mancelona and Daryl (Cheryl) Witowski of Bellaire. She had seven grandchildren; Christopher, Taryn, Nicolette, Brian Glen, Katy Lynn, Randi and Rachel, seven great grandchildren; Chloe, Tansy, Jordan, Madison, Mitchell, Makala, and Tegan who are all surviving. Later in life when her children were grown she attended the New Life Massage Institute and trained to become a Certified Massage Therapist and shortly began work at Shanty Creek's newly built summit center in the Health Club. Upon selling her home in Bellaire she resided in Traverse City where she continued with her therapy work until retiring. She then began working as a front desk receptionist at Ethan Allen and also worked as a volunteer at Munson Medical Center in ICU, CCU and surgical waiting unit. She returned to Bellaire to be closer to her family and friends along with her loving companion and friend Richard Kellogg who preceded her in death in 2011. Also surviving is Mark Kellogg whom she always looked upon as her son and he continues to live in Traverse City. Valerie was a guardian for Mark due to his autism and resides in an assisted

living program. She always loved being with family and friends, loved being around people and was very active and loved to travel. In Valerie's own words "I will always love and miss each and every one of you. Think of me with good memories and smile and laugh. A new life will be starting for me and it will be wonderful."

A celebration of Valerie's life will be held for family and friends at Antrim Community Church in Bellaire Michigan at 11:00AM on Saturday January 3, 2015. A luncheon will follow the service. In lieu of flowers donations may be made in Val's honor to Munson Hospice or Antrim Community Church. Arrangements have been entrusted to Kalkaska Funeral Home and Cremation Services.

Previous Events

Celebration of Life

JAN 3. 11:00 AM (ET)

Antrim Community Church
301 N. Bridge St.
Bellaire, MI 49615

Tribute Wall

Tammy
Witowski

“ 18 files added to the tribute wall



Tammy Witowski - April 21, 2015 at 08:38 AM

JC

“ I knew Val for a short time, but in that time, whenever I did see her, she was always so kind to me, we would talk a little, and we laughed a lot. She will surely be missed, may she always remain in our hearts and memories.

joan cook - January 03, 2015 at 10:44 AM

KI

“ Kalkaska Screw Products, Inc. purchased the Strength & Solace Spray for the family of Valerie Ann Witowski.



Kalkaska Screw Products, Inc. - January 02, 2015 at 11:20 AM

DA

“ *Every time your mom walked in a room she was smiling which always made others smile.*

daralynm - January 01, 2015 at 08:26 AM

CI

“ *Valerie was a remarkable person and a wonderful "substitute mother" (as Mark often called her) and will be missed. Condolences and comfort to her family. Mark and I thought of her daily these past few months and prayed for peace for her.
With sympathy, Mark Kellogg (and Christine Ibbotson)*

Christine Ibbotson - December 31, 2014 at 05:35 PM

TW

“ *My mom was the best in the world. I'm going to miss her so much. She was my strength and gave me the courage to move on and be the best that I can be.*

Tammy Witowski - December 30, 2014 at 04:55 AM

BA

“ *Val you will be missed by all of your family, and friends. Rest in Peace, and be with the angels, you will always watch over your kids and Grand kids in spirit. And I remember watching them in babysitting.*



Brenda Skinner Abraham - December 29, 2014 at 07:28 PM