



## Betty L. McEntee

November 17, 1928 - May 15, 2021

Betty Louise McEntee (née Rourke) passed away at Bluewater Hospice Home on Saturday, May 15, 2021, concluding her long and family-filled life. She was 92.

Betty was born November 17, 1928, in Owosso, MI. Her parents, Michael and Margaret Rourke, were proud parents to nine children; Betty was the youngest of them all. She attended Goss Elementary, a one-room schoolhouse, and graduated from Owosso High School. On July 10, 1948, she married LeRoy McEntee. Together in their Royal Oak, MI home, they raised five children: William (Kathleen) McEntee of Royal Oak MI, Thomas (Janet) McEntee of Ipswich MA, John McEntee of Royal Oak, Gerald (Karolyn) McEntee of Lexington MI, and Kathleen (Mark) Mantha of Oakville ON.

Betty worked in the Royal Oak School District, at Kimball High School. In addition to working and caring for five children, she was a deeply involved volunteer, something she continued her entire life. Betty was a proud graduate of the Michigan State University's Master Gardener Program. She was an active member of The Lakeshore Garden Club of Lexington. Betty participated in the development of two Blue Star Memorial Markers and gained national recognition for her contribution in the design of the Blue Star Memorial Marker, Great Lakes National Cemetery, Holly, MI. Betty was also a dedicated member of the Ave Maria Parish in Lexington, MI.

Betty was a world traveler. She cruised the Rhine River, took a safari tour in Kenya, and walked through the Sistine Chapel, along with countless other

adventures. She inspired her family and friends with her curiosity and independent spirit. She was fortunate to retire in Lexington MI, where she had a picture-perfect view of Lake Huron. Her family has many treasured memories of days at the beach, family picnics at the park, and campouts in the yard.

Bettys' five children, twelve grandchildren, and eleven great-grandchildren are left to honor her legacy. Her unique stamp on the world will be remembered by all who knew her.

The family would like to thank the staff at McLaren Port Huron Hospital 6N and the staff at Blue Water Hospice Home, Marysville for their compassionate care.

The family requests donations are made to the American Cancer Society and Ave Maria Parish, Lexington, MI.

Family and friends are invited to visitation at 10am and mass at 11am at Ave Maria Parish in Lexington, MI on Wednesday, May 19th. Burial to follow mass at St. Mary's Cemetery in Corunna, MI at 3pm.

# Previous Events

## Visitation

MAY 19. 10:00 AM - 11:00 AM (ET)

St. Denis Catholic Church  
5366 Main St.  
Lexington, MI 48450  
(810) 359-5400  
<http://www.avemariaparishmi.com>

## Service

MAY 19. 11:00 AM (ET)

St. Denis Catholic Church  
5366 Main St.  
Lexington, MI 48450  
(810) 359-5400  
<http://www.avemariaparishmi.com>

# Tribute Wall

BM

“ My thoughts and prayers are with Betty’s family....she was a “True Lady”, always ready with a smile, a wave or a bit conversation. You are all so very lucky to have been part of her life. She was a gift to Sandpiper.  
My family purchased E103, Sandpiper Bay Circle, Naples from Betty many years ago.  
I think of her frequently as I move through this lovely, little condo.  
Rest In Peace, Betty.

*Bev Mahoney  
Maureen and Chris Ploss*

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**Bev Mahoney** - June 14, 2021 at 05:26 PM

MV

“ I’ll always cherish the moments that we spent together as a family.  
All my love,  
Lucia



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**Maria Lúcia Versiani** - May 18, 2021 at 10:38 PM

MS

“ I knew your mother, grandmother and great grandmother through Master Gardener's of Sanilac County. She was kind, funny, smart, spirited and always had a smile. Simply put, she was a wonderful person. We were fortunate to have known her and to have had her in our lives. I'm sure your loss is great, but your memories of her greater, and these will live on.  
My sympathy to everyone who loved her.

*Marie Swantek*

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Marie Swantek - May 18, 2021 at 12:13 PM



“ Arrive in Style was purchased for the family of Betty L. McEntee.



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May 18, 2021 at 11:37 AM



“ Beautiful in Blue was purchased for the family of Betty L. McEntee.



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May 17, 2021 at 11:36 PM

MK

“ *Machus, Stigler, Keppler purchased the Country Basket Blooms for the family of Betty L. McEntee.*



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**Machus, Stigler, Keppler** - May 17, 2021 at 07:26 PM



“ *Beautiful Dreams was purchased for the family of Betty L. McEntee.*



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May 17, 2021 at 10:29 AM



“ *Divine Peace Bouquet was purchased for the family of Betty L. McEntee.*



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May 17, 2021 at 10:26 AM

SG

“ *My deepest sympathy to the McEntee family at this time of sorrow. It is so sad to say farewell to my dear friend Betty. She was a beautiful lady to work with doing volunteer work throughout many years as part of St. Denis Altar Society but most of all working together at St. Elizabeth Seton Circle, a group of 27 women part of the Altar Society, where we shared so much for the good of our church. Betty was one of the reliable ones always ready to raise her hand to volunteer to do what ever she could. She spent hours upon hours helping with our “White Elephant” sale, helping with funeral luncheons, baking, cleaning the church, book sale, St. Nicholas sale, you name it she did it. Always with a smile and a happy disposition that made working with her a pleasure. Her faith and devotion to the Eucharist help her live a happy life to the fullest, even during her illness. I’ll miss seating next to her in church, her lovely smile and her warm embrace. I am grateful to God for the time we spent together at St. Elizabeth Seton Circle, celebrating, working, worshiping and building that especial bond. May the angel welcome Betty to paradise, may she rest in peace.*

*Sefora M. Gillies*  
*Ave Maria Parish - Lexington.*

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**Sefora Gillies** - May 16, 2021 at 11:01 PM



“ *Enchanted Cottage was purchased for the family of Betty L. McEntee.*



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May 16, 2021 at 10:38 PM

SG

“ 3 files added to the tribute wall



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**Sefora Gillies** - May 16, 2021 at 10:37 PM

SG

“ *My deepest sympathy to the McEntee family at this time of sorrow. How sad to say farewell to my dear friend Betty. She was such a beautiful person to work with, doing volunteer work, we were together for so many years at St, Denis Altar Society, and most of all as part of St. Elizabeth Circle, where twenty seven ladies from the Altar Society shared so much through the years. She was one of the reliable workers, always ready to raise her hand to help with whatever she could. Hours upon hours helping to make the “White Elephant” sale a success, helping with the funeral luncheons, cleaning the church, book sale, baking, St, Nicholas sale, you name it, she did it, and always smiling and enjoying whatever she did. Her faith and her devotion to the Eucharist help her enjoy life to the fullest up to the last days even through her suffering. I’ll miss seating next to her at Mass, and I thank God I have such great memories of the many celebrations we shared at our Circle, the work we did and most of all the friendship we built. May the angels welcome Betty into paradise, may she rest in peace.*

*Sefora M Gillies*  
*Ave Maria Parish.*

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**Sefora M Gillies** - May 16, 2021 at 10:17 PM

SG

“ 3 files added to the album Memories Album



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Sefora M Gillies - May 16, 2021 at 09:42 PM



“ Peaceful White Lilies Basket was purchased for the family of Betty L. McEntee.



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May 16, 2021 at 06:43 PM



“ Full Of Love Bouquet was purchased for the family of Betty L. McEntee.



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May 16, 2021 at 06:08 PM



“ Lavender Reflections Spray was purchased for the family of Betty L. McEntee.



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May 16, 2021 at 05:22 PM