



## Rita Irene Clarkson

February 17, 1938 - February 16, 2025

CROSWELL- Rita Irene Clarkson, age 86, a resident of Croswell passed away on Sunday, February 16, 2025 at her home.

She was born on February 17, 1938 in Highland, Park, Michigan, a daughter of the late Leo and Ethel (Erb) Watson.

Rita graduated from Cro-Lex High School in the Class of 1955. She married Lyle M. Clarkson in Croswell in 1963, and the couple have been happily married for 61 years.

Rita retired from Cros-Lex Schools as a secretary.

Rita is survived by her husband of 61 years, Lyle M. Clarkson of Croswell and their three children, Mary (Mark) Ellis, Laura (Tom) McMeans and Gary Clarkson; eight grandchildren, Jason Barr, Justin Clarkson, Matthew Clarkson, Jenna Bagwell, Nicole Suratt, Amanda Clarkson, Chase Clarkson and Cameron Clarkson; fifteen grandchildren, including her special great granddaughter, Alyssa, that she helped raise; and two great great grandchildren; she is also survived by her brother, Michael D. (Patty) Watson. She was preceded in by death by her son, John Clarkson; her two brothers, Leo and James Watson and her sister, Beverly Mann.

Cremation has taken place and a memorial celebration is being planned.

Inurnment will be in the Croswell Cemetery

Memorials in memory of Rita may be made to the Sanilac County Humane Society.



# Cemetery Details

## Croswell Cemetery

299 Davis Street  
Croswell, MI 48422

# Events

**Details are pending.**

# Tribute Wall

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“ *Faith Jaciuk lit a candle in memory of Rita Irene Clarkson*



Faith Jaciuk - February 26, 2025 at 06:23 PM

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“ *Love, Alyssa and Kendall Irene purchased the Beautiful in Blue for the family of Rita Irene Clarkson.*



Love, Alyssa and Kendall Irene - February 21, 2025 at 03:05 PM

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“ *Desi Duncan lit a candle in memory of Rita Irene Clarkson*



Desi Duncan - February 21, 2025 at 06:20 AM

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“ *Rita was an awesome lady. I have lots of fond memories of her.*

Desi Duncan - February 21, 2025 at 06:20 AM

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“ 1 file added to the tribute wall



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**Alyssa Runyon** - February 20, 2025 at 05:50 PM

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“ 1 file added to the tribute wall



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**Pomeroy funeral home** - February 20, 2025 at 04:02 PM

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*I am so sorry to see that Rita has passed. Please accept my sympathy.*

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**Margie Campbell** - February 20, 2025 at 04:59 PM