



Marlene Eleanor Porter

November 7, 1939 - August 8, 2020

Marlene Eleanor Porter passed away peacefully in her home surrounded by her crazy, loving family on August 8th.

She was preceded in death by her parents Fred and Eleanor Keef, and her beloved (Favorite) son Andy Porter. Marlene is survived by her mentally unstable but incredibly loving family and copious amounts of adoring fans.

She married the love of her life, John (disappointing her mother) and they had 59 years of wedded bliss, LOL. They raised one perfect and two mediocre children, but do have many fabulous grandchildren and great-grandchildren.

Marlene was known for her world famous pies and love for anything chocolate. She had an adventurous spirit, always ready to join anyone for anything, but not without her lipstick! Her love for the St. Clair River kept her from moving closer to her children, so here we are. She loved to try new hobbies, anyone looking for craft supplies come by!

She and John were active members of the AACA for 40+ years, and founding members of the Wills Ste. Claire Automobile Museum. She had many fantastic memories and friends from this time in her life. She also enjoyed many great outings and trips with her besties (you know who you are).

In all seriousness, Marlene was the best wife, mother, grandmother and friend any person could ask for or deserve. She loved with her whole heart, never excluding anyone. Her smile and laugh were contagious, brightening any room she walked in. She was goofy and crazy, loving and tender. Our lives will never be as bright without her.

We want to give a special thank you to Grace Hospice for their loving care. They went above and beyond and truly treated her like family.

A celebration of her life will be held at our home, Saturday, August 15th after 2pm.

Donations may be made in her name to the Wills Ste. Claire Automobile Museum in Marysville, or Grace Hospice.

BTW- when we asked John what he thought of this obituary, he replied "you know you have to pay for this?!" Baahaahaa

Arrangements by L.C Friederichs and Son Funeral Home, St. Clair. TO leave a message of comfort visit www.lcfandson.com

Cemetery

Cremation

Events

AUG **Celebration of Life**02:30PM

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Porter Residence

MI, US

Comments



“ John, I only knew Marlene basically from Fred Cleaver and the auto shows, but found her to be such a warm and friendly person. I just found out she was ill when I tried contacting you about a small class reunion last week and was so sorry to hear it. I won't be able to come to the funeral home since I have a family reunion to attend while my son is here from Washington state, but I will be thinking of you. Francine Minor Warsalla

Francine Warsalla - August 12, 2020 at 02:33 PM



“ So very sorry for your loss. Marlene and I worked together at Michigan Bell in 1959. We shared a lot of good times together. Will always remember her as such a good person and so full of fun! Hope your memories help you through this sad time. Please enjoy these photos I found as I was going through old photos a few days ago.



Diana Shoudy Goodrich - August 12, 2020 at 09:24 AM



“ Marlene was like a second mom to me since I was in third grade as well as the whole family became my a safe haven a happy place and definitely a huge part of my lifes memories.
Her laughter was so contagious even in her disciplinary actions to meet Andy, her laughter was awesome and that's what I remember the most .what a excellent person I love her I miss her and may God bless her



Charles - August 11, 2020 at 10:39 AM



“ Among other great attributes, Mrs. Porter was always welcoming. I very much looked forward to visiting Bronwyn's house. Even Bronwyn never knew how much. Mrs. Porter made me feel at home and at ease. As a 17 year old runaway from Florida, I craved and missed my own, stable home environment. Going to Bronwyn's was like being wrapped in a warm blanket. (The taco dip and yummy pie was just a bonus!) Thank you!

Kelly Capitini - August 10, 2020 at 05:25 PM



“ Marlene Porter was my neighbor for 10 years. When we were looking at the home (which had been vacant for awhile) she asked, "Whats your name? I'm going to write it down!" I said, "Lisa" and she said, "OMGosh! I wont forget that name, I have a daughter named Lisa!" We moved in and she was such a light in my kids lives. Marlene was thoughtful, sassy, artsy and generous! I think of loud, loving laughter when I think of her. Pinky toe rings and tattoos weren't anything unusual to her as she was ageless and adventurous! God speed Marlene as you rise with the angels to eternal joy & peace. I'm so sorry for those who have lost you -- yet I know your genes and your spirit live on fiercely in your daughters and grand children

Lisa Jean Zmuda - August 10, 2020 at 01:56 PM



“ Very sorry to hear the loss of your wife mom and grandmother, I'll forever have great childhood memories of the times we had together. Marlene was cool, she gave us a lot of leeway lol. I wish that some of the special times we have would last forever. Deepest sympathy,
Mark

Mark Zimmer - August 10, 2020 at 10:50 AM



“ So sorry to hear about Marlene. I worked with her at the late, great Commercial And Savings and for many years she was my in-laws back yard neighbor. She was always worth coming into work! She was friendly, easy to talk with and always that smile (and yes, lipstick!). She is definitely a life to be celebrated!

Diane McLeod - August 08, 2020 at 09:39 PM



“ Marlene was one of the nicest people I have ever worked with. Always patient and kind in her instructions and generous with sharing her knowledge. She was one of the first of my co-workers at the Commercial & Saving Bank to friend me. Her red lipstick was her trademark and always impeccably dressed. I admired her very much and will remember her fondly. My sympathy goes out for the family and friends who will be missing her so much; may you find peace in the fun-filled memories of her.

Judy Muggelberg - August 09, 2020 at 11:34 AM



“ My husband read the obituary for Marlene this morning and passed it to me to read out loud, it was so fun and nicely done. Although I did not know Marlene It made me wish very much that I had! Celebrate this lovely, fun lady and blessing to all that we're lucky enough to know and love her!

maryanne Denuyl - August 10, 2020 at 10:49 AM



“ John and family,

We are so sorry for your loss. We have shared a ton of fun and great memories through the AACA and Wills Sainte Claire Auto Museum meetings, outings, shows and more throughout the years. Marlene was simply the best and we were fortunate to have her in our lives as a dear friend. We are greatly saddened and pray for comfort, strength and for your hearts to heal. Love and hugs.

Gary and Deb Wurmlinger

Debra Wurmlinger - August 13, 2020 at 04:52 PM



“ Peaceful White Lilies Basket was purchased for the family of Marlene Eleanor Porter.



August 08, 2020 at 07:34 PM



“ Arrive in Style was purchased for the family of Marlene Eleanor Porter.



August 08, 2020 at 07:22 PM