



## Carol VanErp

August 18, 1938 - August 29, 2023

Carol Ann VanErp, age 85 of Bad Axe, passed away on Tuesday, August 29, 2023

at Meadow Lane Assisted Living in Bad Axe.

Carol was born on August 18, 1938 in Grosse Pointe Woods, MI, daughter of the late John and Marie (Delling) O'Neil.

When she was 11, her parents and her younger brother, Richard, moved to a farm in Cass City, MI, where she got her first taste of rural life. In 1956, Carol married the love of her life, Joseph VanErp. He preceded her in death on October 3, 2006.

As everyone who knew them would agree, they were a perfect match, with Joe being the life of the party and Carol the quieter force behind him. Together they raised 6 children on their farm in Bad Axe.

When the youngest of the 6 children started junior high, Carol accomplished her

dream of becoming a nurse. Going back to school later in life was a challenge, but Carol was successful and went on to complete a 20 year nursing career before retiring in 2005.

Carol is survived by her 6 children, Dan (Kay) VanErp of Ubly, Mike (Kim) VanErp of Williamston, Denise (Paul) Drake of Petoskey, Jeff (Gigi) VanErp of West Olive, Rod (Michelle) VanErp of Ubly, and Dave (Beth) VanErp of Bad Axe, as well as 19 grandchildren and 9 great-grandchildren.

She was preceded in death by her parents, brother and beloved husband. Carol's family would like to thank Meadow Lane Assisted Living and A&D Hospice for the excellent care their mother received.

A Mass of Christian Burial will be held on Saturday, September 2, 2023 at 11 am at Good Sheperd Parish – St. Columbkille Catholic Church of Sheridan Corners. Visitation will be held on Friday, September 1, 2023 from 3 -7 pm at the Kaufman Funeral Home in Bad Axe or Saturday at the church from 10 am until the Mass at 11 am. Burial will be in the church cemetery.

Memorials may be offered to the family to be donated to Meadow Lane Assisted Living for their activities fund.



# Cemetery Details

## St. Columbkille Church Cemetery

3031 McAlpin Rd.  
Ubly, MI 48475

# Previous Events

## Visitation

SEP 1. 3:00 PM - 7:00 PM (ET)

Kaufman & Co. Funeral Home, Inc.  
84 Westland Dr  
Bad Axe, MI 48413  
(989) 269-3000  
kaufmanfuneralhome@gmail.com

## Visitation

SEP 2. 10:00 AM - 11:00 AM (ET)

Good Shepard Parish - St. Columbkille Catholic Church  
3031 McAlpin Rd.  
Ubly, MI 48475

## Funeral Mass

SEP 2. 11:00 AM - 12:00 PM (ET)

Good Shepard Parish - St. Columbkille Catholic Church  
3031 McAlpin Rd.  
Ubly, MI 48475



# Tribute Wall

SP

“ Carol was such a amazing lady, elegant and spicy!!! Always smiling and loved to dance and have fun! So honored to have known her and her family! Sincere condolences to her family. She will surely be missed at Meadow Lane.

Shirley Pawlitz - September 01, 2023 at 10:34 PM

BS

“ Such a great lady always full of smiles. Sorry for your loss

Brenda Struble - September 01, 2023 at 05:32 PM



“ Medium Dish Garden was purchased for the family of Carol VanErp.



September 01, 2023 at 11:38 AM



“ Peaceful White Lilies Basket was purchased for the family of Carol VanErp.



September 01, 2023 at 11:29 AM

WD

“ With Love, Steve & Gina Drake planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Carol VanErp.

With Love, Steve & Gina Drake - August 31, 2023 at 06:03 PM

WD

“ With Love, Steve & Gina Drake purchased the Beautiful in Blue for the family of Carol VanErp.



With Love, Steve & Gina Drake - August 31, 2023 at 06:03 PM



“ A [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) was planted in honor of Carol VanErp.

August 31, 2023 at 04:20 PM



“ Crystal Cross Bouquet was purchased for the family of Carol VanErp.



August 31, 2023 at 04:20 PM



“ Arrive in Style was purchased for the family of Carol VanErp.



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August 30, 2023 at 09:42 PM



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“ Our Condolences to the Family!  
Remember all your great memories!  
In our prayers during this difficult time!



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**Amy Jo Sageman** - August 30, 2023 at 08:53 PM



“ Arrive in Style was purchased for the family of Carol VanErp.



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August 30, 2023 at 08:19 PM

MJ

“ Condolences to this wonderful family. I feel so saddened by the loss of Carol , and also so privileged to have gotten to know and love her. She will be DEEPLY missed at meadow lane ❤️ “hanging in and hanging on” ☐ love, Mandi

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**Mandi Jackson** - August 30, 2023 at 07:07 PM

DB

“ Diane Busard purchased the Your Light Shines for the family of Carol VanErp.



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**Diane Busard** - August 30, 2023 at 05:54 PM



“ My deepest condolences to the family.

*It takes a village and Mrs. Van Erp is certainly part of ours.*

*She will be missed.*

*Tom Miller*

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**Tom Miller** - August 30, 2023 at 03:12 PM

DD

“ As one of many what you might call "Step-grandchildren" , my grandma Vanerp never treated any of us any differently. I will be forever thankful for all the trips to the farm growing up & loved her home at Christmas time . She perfected comfort foods as well such as her baked beans . I like to think her & my grandpa Vanerp are now reunited . They really were a magical pair. My condolences to my uncles & my stepmother Denise Drake. Thanks for taking such good care of her .

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**Daniel Drake** - August 30, 2023 at 03:11 PM



“ Full Of Love Bouquet was purchased for the family of Carol VanErp.



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August 30, 2023 at 03:08 PM

LK

“ My sympathies to Carol's family . Cherish your memories and remember her laugh and smiles . Prayers to all for healing and comfort.

*Lori (Hind) Koch*

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**Lori J Koch** - August 30, 2023 at 02:39 PM