



## Catherine "Cathy" Tinsey

November 4, 1939 - September 20, 2018

Catherine "Cathy" E. A. Tinsey, 78, of Port Austin, passed away unexpectedly on Thursday, September 20, 2018 in Windsor, Ontario, Canada. She was enjoying an annual trip to the International Plowing Match when she fell ill on Wednesday, September 19. While she received excellent care at the Windsor Regional Hospital - Oulette Campus, the Lord deemed her ready to be with Him.

Cathy was born November 4, 1939 in St. Anthony, Newfoundland, Canada, daughter of the late Rev. Elam and Henrietta (Ginn) Peckford. She met Gilbert Tinsey in confirmation class upon moving to Bad Axe in 7th grade and married him on August 26, 1961 at St. Stephen's Episcopal Church in Wyandotte. She adapted well to farm life after living in Bad Axe, as well as in the Toronto and Detroit areas, for most of her life prior. She worked as the Huron County Farm Bureau secretary for almost 25 years before retiring. She continued as the secretary for the Northgate Association and was the bookkeeper for T & H Farms, Port Austin. She was a member of St. Paul's Episcopal Church and on its Vestry.

Cathy's first love was being with family and friends to laugh and share stories. She loved traveling with Gil whether in their travel trailer to plowing matches and farm shows, or to destinations such as Newfoundland, Denmark, Great Britain, Hawaii, and many other states. She was an avid quilter, reader, and scrapbooker. She will be greatly missed for her smiles and warmth, as well as her delicious dinners and baked goodies.

Cathy is survived by her husband of 57 years Gilbert Tinsey of Port Austin, as well as her children, Keith (Colleen) Tinsey of Grand Ledge, Michigan and Patricia (Neil Iseler) Tinsey-Iseler of Port Austin. She was blessed with and very proud of her five grandchildren, Allison Tinsey of Washington D.C., Seth Tinsey of Grand Ledge, Wade Pettit, Bradley Pettit, and Reid Pettit all of Port Austin. She is also survived by exchange student son, Bo (Joy) Bach Larden of Denmark, her brother-in-law and sister-in-law Harold and Norlaine Tinsey of Saline, along with nieces and nephews. Cathy was preceded in death by three infant brothers and an infant sister.

Funeral service for Catherine Elizabeth Anne Tinsey will be 11:00 a.m. on Monday, September 24, 2018 at St. Paul's Episcopal Church, Bad Axe, with Rev. Edward King officiating. A Christian burial will take place at New River Cemetery, Huron Township, Michigan. Visitation for family and friends will be from 1:00 to 8:00 p.m. on Sunday, September 23, 2018 at Kaufman Funeral Home in Bad Axe and at the church on Monday from 10:00 a.m. until the time of the service. Memorials may be offered to St. Paul's Episcopal Church, Bad Axe, Michigan

# Cemetery Details

## New River Cemetery

Port Austin, MI

# Previous Events

## Visitation

SEP 23. 1:00 PM - 8:00 PM (ET)

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

## Visitation

SEP 24. 10:00 AM - 11:00 AM.

St. Paul's Episcopal Church  
139 West Huron  
Bad Axe, MI

## Service

SEP 24. 11:00 AM - 12:00 PM.

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Bad Axe, MI



# Tribute Wall



“ Catherine "Cathy" Tinsey

January 28, 2023 at 01:32 PM



“ I remember Cathy from school and am sorry to here of her passing. I love the picture of her as it had her beautiful smile that she always wore. She was a lovely, kind thoughtful person and I am so sorry for your loss.

Janet Rotger - September 27, 2018 at 06:59 AM



“ Gil and Family,  
Please accept our condolences on the sudden loss of Cathy.  
Gary and Marilyn Gascho

Gary Gascho - September 25, 2018 at 06:15 PM



“ It is terrible to hear about your loss and I express my sincere sympathy. May your memories and the love of family surround you and give you strength in the days ahead!! Always in my thoughts and Prayers!!!

Dawn Socia

Dawn - September 24, 2018 at 09:44 AM



“ My thoughts and prayers go out to the family! She had a lovely smile and had radiated positive snergy!

Stephen Horny - September 22, 2018 at 09:08 PM

LS

“ Our thoughts and prayers go out to Gill and family Cathy was a very special lady always had that beautiful smile. She will be surely be miss by not only her family but her many friends. Gods blessings to you all. LeRoy and Alice Schave



LeRoy and Alice Schave - September 22, 2018 at 05:53 PM

BG

“ We have had some wonderful times over many years with Gil and Cathy. Among our fondest memories of Cathy are our trips together, playing SkipBo, hanging out at the farm, and enjoying her warmth and hospitality. We'll miss her but never forget her. We offer our love and sympathies to the family.

Bill and Hanne Gilbert - September 22, 2018 at 11:59 AM

 Tony Virga

Sybille and I have appreciated your friendship and kindness over the years. Cathy is remembered for her kind heartedness. We grieve with you over the passing of your dear one. Prayers for peace and strength through this difficult season.  
Tony and Sybille Virga

Tony Virga - September 23, 2018 at 10:05 AM

HS

Our thoughts are with your family. We feel very lucky and honored to have been able to meet Cathy this past May in Richmond.  
Harriet Schanzer and David Raine

Harriet Schanzer - September 23, 2018 at 11:35 AM

BS

*So very sorry for your loss! I spent many hours with Cathy through Farm Bureau and had many laughs together. She was a great person and her smile went far. God Bless You All! Bonnie and Larry Siemen*

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**Bonnie Siemen** - September 24, 2018 at 07:18 AM

JS

*So sorry for your loss, I've known Cathy since I was 10 years old from St. Paul's church. Cathy gave me a nice piece of information in March at my sister-in-law's funeral. Cathy was a wonderful person, she told me my mother was one of several people that brought food to their house when her mother was sick. Was hoping to get a chance to talk to her again, but I guess I'll have to wait until I see her in heaven.*

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**Jeri Sharpe** - September 24, 2018 at 04:19 PM

FR

*Being sisters by choice, we acted like sisters...  
We disagreed, helped each out and tease, but the love was always there!*

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**Fran** - October 05, 2018 at 02:36 PM