



Josephine Greene

June 7, 1925 - October 2, 2023

Josephine Greene, age 98 of Bad Axe MI, passed away on Monday October 2, 2023 at Courtney Manor in Bad Axe.

She was born on June 7, 1925 daughter to the late Bertha (Humphrey) and James McGee. Being the youngest of 8 children she was both loved and spoiled by her much older siblings. A fact she freely admitted to later in life.

Josephine grew up in Bad Axe attending Sacred Heart Catholic School through 8th grade and then graduating from Bad Axe High School in 1943. She then attended and graduated from Bay City Business College with a degree in Office Management. She often said that her siblings were responsible for footing her college expenses.

Josephine went to work for Detroit Edison in the Bad Axe office. She loved vacationing with friends at Houghton Lake during the summer. In the winter she was a member of a bowling league in Kinde. It was while in this bowling league that she met the love of her life. The dashing Tom Greene was also on a bowling league and he would come early to watch the ladies bowl, especially the dark haired sassy Josephine. They were married on October 8, 1949 at Sacred Heart Church in Bad Axe. Josephine and Tom settled down in Kinde to build their home and raise a family. Soon there were 5 children,(JoAnn, Kathleen, Tom, Mary Ellen and Margaret) raising a ruckus in the house

that Josephine and Tom built together working nights and weekends with help from family and friends.

Josephine loved spending time with family and friends, visiting often, having card parties etc. but her heart was in having a career and when her youngest entered kindergarten, with the blessing of her husband and babysitting help from her sister Mary, she started working for Catholic Family Services in Bad Axe. Her husband and kids pitched in to take over household chores. Tom took over cooking and baking much to his children's delight because Josephine was a terrible cook. The stories of her kitchen disasters have been told and retold bringing smiles and laughter every time.

Josephine and Tom loved spending their free time together and shared many of the same interests. Playing cards, bowling, golfing, volunteering on committees at the school and their church, St Edwards of Kinde One Christmas all their kids and grandkids received crocheted hats and knitted scarves, made by Josephine and Tom. Tom preceded her in death in 1992. She moved back to her hometown of Bad Axe and quickly made new friends. Mornings could find her having breakfast at McDonald's IGA deli with those friends. Volunteering her time to the Sacred Heart Food Pantry and Huron County Cloth a Child were just a couple of the many programs she was involved in.

Josephine is survived by her children, Jo Ann Greene of Bad Axe, Kathleen (James) Zeleznock of Jackson MI, Thomas (Sarah) Greene of Kinde, Mary Ellen (Sam) Krohn of Palmetto Florida, and Margaret (Sam) Kitchin of Fife Lake MI. 10 grandchildren and 10 great-grandchildren.

She was preceded in death by her four sisters, Mary Costello, Frances Pearl, Eileen Hembling, and Genevieve McGee and three brothers Erwyn McGee, Charles McGee and Patrick McGee.

A Memorial Mass of Christian Burial will be held on Wednesday, October 11, 2023 at 11 am at St Hubert Parish-Sacred Heart Catholic Church in Bad Axe. Officiating will be Fr. T.J. Fleming. Josephine's family will receive guests for visitation on Wednesday, October 11, 2023 from 10 am until the service time at 11 at the church.

Memorials may be offered to Sacred Heart Food Pantry.

Previous Events

Visitation

OCT **11**. 10:00 AM - 11:00 AM (ET)

St Hubert Parish-Sacred Heart Catholic Church
311 Whitelam St
Bad Axe, MI 48413
(989) 269-772

Memorial Mass

OCT **11**. 11:00 AM - 12:00 PM (ET)

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Tribute Wall

GP

“ My wife & I both had the honor of knowing Jo when she worked at Catholic Family Services back in the 80's. We also got the chance to meet her husband Tom. We would like to extend our condolences to the family.

Gerry Prich - October 12, 2023 at 03:48 PM



“ Peaceful White Lilies Basket was purchased for the family of Josephine Greene.



October 07, 2023 at 06:37 PM

PK

“ So sorry for your loss. She was a very sociable person love to talk.

Pattie Korleski - October 07, 2023 at 12:32 PM

BW

“ My sincere sympathy to Jo's family and loved ones. I knew Jo through bowling and golf and sat with her many times at Courtney Manor meals, She had a full wonderful life. May God give you all the peace that passes human understanding. Bonnie (Tamblyn)nee Wildfong

bonnie wildfong - October 06, 2023 at 11:03 AM

AH

“ Amy Kitchin & Warren Hower purchased the Fier
y Lily and Rose for the family of Josephine
Greene.



Amy Kitchin & Warren Hower - October 06, 2023 at 09:54 AM

PM

“ Condolences to the family.

Pat McGee - October 05, 2023 at 07:42 PM

DO

“ Dorothy lit a candle in memory of Josephine
Greene



Dorothy - October 05, 2023 at 07:14 PM