



Mrs. Barbara Jean Ruhlig

September 29, 1937 - May 21, 2026

Barbara Jean (Bauer) Ruhlig, 88, of Saginaw, Michigan was welcomed into the arms of our Heavenly Father after passing away peacefully from a short illness. Barbara was born September 29, 1937, to George and Julia (Altergott) Bauer of Saginaw, Michigan. Upon graduation, Barbara was employed at AT&T, retiring in 1994. Barbara married her one and only sweetheart, Glenn Ruhlig, and loved him dearly for their 64-1/2 years of marriage. Barbara leaves behind to cherish her memory, two sons Greg (Debbie) Ruhlig, and Gary (Meg) Ruhlig; grandchildren, Jessica, Melissa, Hunter, Hudson, Haley and Halle; a very dear friend and guiding light angel, Gail Bender; sister-in-law, Raquel; several nieces, nephews, and friends. Barbara was preceded in death by her husband Glenn; parents, George and Julia Bauer; mother-in-law and father-in-law, Fred and Gertrude Ruhlig; seven siblings and their spouses, Anna Meyer, Dave (Iris) Bauer, Dorothy (Ray) Huegel, Albert Bauer, Alice (Harley) Pickleman, Bud (Nita) Armentrout, Gene (Phylis) Bauer; brothers-in-law, Bob (Shirley) Ruhlig, Doris (Ralph) Ziegler; nieces, Lucinda, Sally and Pam; along with nephews, Ben, Davey, and Andy.

Barb's family will celebrate her life 12:00 Noon on Tuesday, May 26, 2026, at Bethlehem Lutheran Church 808 Weiss Street. Rev. Paul Kruse officiating. Friends are welcome to visit with the family at the church on Tuesday from 10:00 a.m. until the time of service. All are welcome to attend Barb's graveside committal service, which will be held at 3356 Hermansau Rd.

immediately following the funeral. In lieu of flowers, please consider a contribution to City Rescue Mission of Saginaw at www.rescuesaginaw.org

Memories and sympathies of Barbara may be shared with the family on her memorial website at wakemanfuneralhome.com

Arrangements entrusted to the Wakeman Funeral Home, Inc. 1218 N. Michigan Ave., Saginaw.

Cemetery Details

Bethlehem Lutheran Cemetery

3356 Hermansau Road
Saginaw, MI 48603

Previous Events

Visitation

MAY 26. 10:00 AM - 12:00 PM (ET)

Bethlehem Lutheran Church
808 Weiss St.
Saginaw, MI 48602

Funeral Service

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Tribute Wall

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“ To the Ruhlig Family, my thoughts and prayers are with you and your family at this time, your mom was a wonderful woman and a great friend to my parents bev and Erine Dammann, they are probably enjoying a cocktail together at this time. Hold onto all those beautiful memories over the years,love Cathy Dammann Short

cathy short - May 28 at 06:27 PM

VD

“ We are so sorry to hear of your mom's passing. You are in our prayers Greg and family. Vicky & Frank DuRussel.

Victoria DuRussel - May 26 at 06:33 PM

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“ Cindy Oldeck lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Barbara Jean Ruhlig



cindy oldeck - May 26 at 09:41 AM

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Sorry for your loss Deb and Greg 🙏🙏🙏

cindy oldeck - May 26 at 09:42 AM



“ *Florist Choice Bouquet was purchased for the family of Mrs. Barbara Jean Ruhlig.*



May 23 at 02:30 PM



“ *Only the fondest memories of N Woodbridge Street Barb, Glen, Greg an Gary. We can't go back yet we'll never forget.*

Robert Srark - May 22 at 07:09 PM



So sorry for you loss, Barb was a wonderful wife, mother and grandmother who loved her family dearly. I worked with Barb at At&t, she was a special lady. She will be missed.

Mary Furiat - May 25 at 04:50 PM