



## Leslie A. Bierlein

July 13, 1965 - July 5, 2024

Leslie A. Bierlein  
Bay City, Michigan

Loving wife, mother, grandmother, sister and friend passed away unexpectedly on Friday, July 5, 2024, at McLaren Bay Regional. Age 58 years. Leslie Ann (Richard) Bierlein was born on July 13, 1965, in Bay City, Michigan.

The most important thing to Leslie was her family. She was so proud of her children and grandkids and made sure everyone knew it. She was married to William G. Bierlein on April 23, 1996, and he survives her. She is also survived by her children, Justin (Courtney) Habina and Heather Habina. Her grandchildren, Makalah, Cooper, and Tanner Habina. Her sister, Danielle (Mark) Shotwell, and her niece and nephew, Brendon and Allison Shotwell.

She was preceded in death by her father, Lawrence Richard, and mother, Marlene Richard.

Leslie had worked in bakeries for most of her career prior to her retirement. Her hobbies and past-times included making memories with her children and grandkids, antiquing with friends, crafting, vacationing in the Upper Peninsula, maintaining her beautiful yard, and watching the squirrels and birds from her

back room. Her dream was to some day live in the Upper Peninsula. She loved going out on the kayak on South Manistique Lake and watching the Loons. Leslie was a great cook and baker, she could make anything taste good. She always made sure everyone else was taken care of, even if it meant putting herself last. Leslie had a way of making you feel like everything you said was important and that she cared, no matter what it was. She was loved dearly by those who knew her and will be greatly missed by many.

In accordance with Leslie's wishes cremation has taken place.

The Celebration of Leslie's Life will be held at 11:30 am on August 23, 2024, at the Kawkawlin Community Church, 311 E. Grove St.; Kawkawlin, MI 48631, with a luncheon to follow.

Memories and sympathies of Leslie may be shared with the family on her memorial website at [WakemanFuneralHome.com](http://WakemanFuneralHome.com)

# Previous Events

## Celebration of Life

AUG **23**. 11:30 AM (ET)

Kawkawlin Community Church  
311 E. Grove St.  
Kawkawlin, MI 48631

# Tribute Wall

PA

“ Leslie was one of my childhood friends went to Farragut with her and Danny she will truly be missed.



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**Pamela askew** - August 21, 2024 at 02:42 PM

DR

“ Leslie I have known you for ever your mom used to babysit me and my brother David when we were little boys and im 60 now. So sad to see this RIP my friend..



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**Danney Ross** - August 09, 2024 at 06:12 PM

MK

“ She was one of my closest friends in High School. Hanging out after school at each other's home was something we loved to do. She introduced me to Danny Ross who became a close friend as well. We did have our ups and one really bad down. If course later through the years all was forgotten and forgiven. I loved her laugh and how kind she really was. I will truly miss her 😞



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**Mary Krager** - August 08, 2024 at 03:21 PM

SP

“ Bill and family, I'm so sorry for your loss. Leslie was a great friend to everyone who knew her. I have great memories of all of us "partying like rockstars!" I sure wish I had done a better job at staying in touch. Leslie will be very missed by all who knew her. Please know you are in my thoughts and prayers.



Shelly Penoyer - July 09, 2024 at 07:19 PM

KC

“ Kris C. planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Leslie A. Bierlein.

Kris C. - July 09, 2024 at 06:32 PM

KC

“ My partner in crime back in the day and my dearest friend of 44 years. I love you so much. You absolutely were a great cook just like your mom was. Our son Jessie was just talking about your chicken a few weeks ago and he was just a youngster when he ate it. ❤️

Kris Crotty - July 09, 2024 at 06:29 PM

DK

“ Darrin and Kelly Krogman planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Leslie A. Bierlein.

Darrin and Kelly Krogman - July 09, 2024 at 04:08 PM



“ *Arrive in Style was purchased for the family of Leslie A. Bierlein.*



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July 09, 2024 at 04:08 PM



“ *Such a shock and a huge loss. Best neighbor ever. Will miss seeing her out in the yard. Hugs to the family.*

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**Joan Rajewski ,Dennis Sara Ryan and Tita** - July 09, 2024 at 03:49 PM



“ *Besides being the best neighbor anyone could ask for, she became like a sister to me. She was always there for me. I'm lost without her.*

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**Deborah babiarz** - July 09, 2024 at 03:26 PM



“ *My deepest condolences. Leslies radiant smile and kind words will be missed by so many people. Much Love.*



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**Beth Lincoln** - July 09, 2024 at 10:35 AM

MB

“ *Mary Jackson Bouckaert lit a candle in memory of Leslie A. Bierlein*



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**Mary Jackson Bouckaert** - July 09, 2024 at 07:10 AM

MB

*I'm so sorry to hear of Leslie's passing. I met Leslie at Farragut School years ago. She was a great friend and will be missed.*

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**Mary Jackson Bouckaert** - July 09, 2024 at 07:15 AM

PA

“ *Pamela Askew lit a candle in memory of Leslie A. Bierlein*



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**Pamela askew** - July 09, 2024 at 07:01 AM

PA

*Oh my ,my heart is saddened my friend Leslie Richards. We go way back to where we were little girls and we played on Jackson Street at her house. I went to school with her at Farragut school and I often ran into her around Bay City. Leslie Leslie Leslie you would definitely be missed by me. Your friend Pam. I offer my condolences to her family*

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**Pamela askew** - July 09, 2024 at 07:03 AM