



Lila Jean Dickerson

November 28, 1924 - July 17, 2019

Lila Dickerson, age 94 of Bloomingdale, passed away Wednesday, July 17, 2019, at her home in Bloomingdale. Lila was born November 28, 1924, in Cheshire Township, the daughter of Verlin N. and Allyene W. (Kent) Brindley. She spent her childhood on the family farm with her 11 siblings. In 1942, Lila graduated from Bloomingdale High School and worked as a secretary at the Bloomingdale Oil Refinery. She married her high school sweetheart, Stephen F. Dickerson, on May 7, 1944, and together they moved to the military base in Pocatello, Idaho. After the war ended, they moved back to Bloomingdale where she helped manage the family farm, Dickersons' Ups and Downs, in dairy and seed production. Lila was a school bus driver and mathematics aide at Bloomingdale Public Schools, 4-H Leader, member of the Bloomingdale Christian Church, and a charter member of both the Bloomingdale Area Historical Association and the Bloomingdale Area Schools Foundation. Her hobbies included: gardening, sewing, cooking, canning, and most enjoyably visiting with family and friends - all while bearing and raising seven children of her own. Survivors include: her seven children - Douglas (Chris) of Santa Fe, New Mexico, Janet (Jerry Larson) Dickerson of Allegan, Melvin of Bloomingdale, William (Susan) of Bloomingdale, Thomas (Pam) of Bloomingdale, Lynn (Margie) of Allegan, Ann (Steven) Jacus of Allegan; 16 grandchildren - Todd, Kristin DeKam, Stephen, Joshua, Jonathan, Christopher, Wesley, Ian, Kurtis, Alissa, Jacob Brown, Jenny Sheneman, Caleb, Victoria "Ava" Jacus, Isabella "Grace" Jacus, and August Jacus; numerous great-

grandchildren; one sister, Gail Brindley of Allegan; one sister-in-law, Lorraine Heckman of Allegan; and many nieces and nephews. She was preceded in death by her loving husband; her parents; five brothers, David, Elmer, Dean, Arthur, and Lynn; and five sisters, Ella, Elva, Verna, Ruby, and Joyce. The family will meet friends on Monday, July 22 from 2-4 PM and 6-8 PM at the Bloomingdale Christian Church where funeral services will be held on Tuesday, July 23 at 9:30 AM, with Pastor Greg Carlson officiating. Burial will immediately follow in Spring Grove Cemetery, Bloomingdale. The family suggests memorials be made to the Bloomingdale Area Historical Association, Bloomingdale Area Schools Foundation or Wings of Hope Hospice Allegan. Arrangements made by the Bloomingdale Chapel, D. L. Miller Funeral Home, www.dlmillerfuneralhome.com.

Cemetery Details

Spring Grove Cemetery

CR 665
Bloomingdale, MI

Previous Events

Visitation

JUL 22. 2:00 PM - 4:00 PM (ET)

Bloomingdale Christian Church
208 E. Pine
Bloomingdale, MI

Visitation

JUL 22. 6:00 PM - 8:00 PM (ET)

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Bloomingdale, MI

Service

JUL 23. 9:30 AM (ET)

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208 E. Pine
Bloomingdale, MI

Tribute Wall

JJ

“ News of Lila's passing brought forth memories of a farewell party at her home. It was 6/12/2011. The pig roast was served in Lila's yard on a beautiful day. Five Jacus brothers from across the country assembled there to wish the family of Ann and Steven the best of adventures in the next three years living and working in Hong Kong. Lila took a brief time out to feed and move the cattle. John M. Jacus, Steve's uncle.

John M. Jacus - July 27, 2019 at 03:26 PM

LB

“ Aunt Lila, Uncle Steve and the entire Dickerson family have a special place in our hearts and memories. We will always remember Aunt Lila as a loving, strong and compassionate woman. Our hearts and prayers are with you and all the family.

Larry and Bernie Bowers, Jessica, John Paul and Maya Kiyanja, Joshua, Mildred, Ashley, Colin, Kailyn and Karly Bowers, Lauren, Jon, Kane and Dex Otto

Larry and Bernie Bowers - July 24, 2019 at 10:57 AM



“ Margaret Brown lit a candle in memory of Lila Jean Dickerson



Margaret Brown - July 19, 2019 at 10:09 PM

EC

“ Ed & Carolyn Carr purchased the Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum for the family of Lila Jean Dickerson.



Ed & Carolyn Carr - July 19, 2019 at 08:59 PM



“ Emerald Garden Basket was purchased for the family of Lila Jean Dickerson.



July 19, 2019 at 07:00 PM

MK

“ I will always remember 'Aunt Lila' as a substitute mom when I would spend summer visits as a young teenager in Bloomingdale detassling corn. Those wonderful farm lunches and dinners sure tasted great after a city boy spent a hard day doing farm chores. :-)

Rest in Peace, Aunt Lila

With fond memories,

Marty Kushler

Marty Kushler - July 19, 2019 at 12:18 PM

KL

Many fond memories for me as well. Especially Aunt Lila driving a station wagon full of noisy kids to the lake. She had so much patience.

Much love,

Kathy (Kushler) Lindsey

Kathy Lindsey - July 22, 2019 at 09:50 AM

JD

I remember as a small kid going to Uncle Steve and Aunt Lila's house to watch TV as we didn't have one yet, and my sisters playing Monopoly while my parents kept asking when does this game end.

Payers for everyone

*Jim Dickerson Nephew
& Nancy*

Jim Dickerson - July 22, 2019 at 10:35 AM

NS

“ *Gone to be with Our Lord. Rest in Peace, Lila....you will always be missed. Praying for the family in this time of sorrow.*



Nancy Stone - July 19, 2019 at 10:42 AM



Rhonda
Szczepanski

“ *Rest in peace Mr. Lila. My condolences to the family. Rhonda Szczepanski*

Rhonda Szczepanski - July 19, 2019 at 09:50 AM

RF

“ Rhonda Fiorillo lit a candle in memory of Lila Jean Dickerson



Rhonda Fiorillo - July 19, 2019 at 08:57 AM

KO

“ To the Dickerson family,
So sorry for your loss. She was such a sweet lady and will be missed. Now she is with your dad in heaven. May they enjoy life together again!

Kim Otten - July 19, 2019 at 08:01 AM

SS

“ Sandra K Sincler lit a candle in memory of Lila Jean Dickerson



Sandra K Sincler - July 18, 2019 at 01:42 PM

AW

I remember her as a beautiful, friendly gal back in the late '40s/early 50's. My parents had 5 rental cottages and a home on Eagle Lake; all five cottages destroyed by the '56 (?) tornado. I am also Helen Van Horn Ewert's cousin. Didn't know that Lila was a Brindley. I liked it when Mother would send me to Cheshire for groceries from the Brindley's store. Ah, sweet memories of a special caring community. Blessings to the family.

Arlene Ward - July 19, 2019 at 04:31 PM

SS

“ To the Dickerson family, keeping you all in prayer. Lila was a wonderful woman.. You were all blessed.

Sandra K Sincler - July 18, 2019 at 01:41 PM