



## Loretta Ilene Laughlin

October 13, 1944 - January 11, 2014

Loretta Ilene Laughlin, age 69, of Gobles MI, was called home to the Lord on January 11, 2014 after a long and courageous battle with cancer. She was born October 13, 1944 in Chicago, IL to George and Marie (Homola) Hrabacka. The family moved to Gobles, MI in the early 1950's.

Loretta married her high school sweetheart, and best friend, Victor A. Laughlin in April 1964 and together have two wonderful children, son Brett Allan and fiancée Danna Bohach, and daughter Chandra Kay (Holt) and her husband Michael. Also surviving are beloved grandchildren Kyle Allan Laughlin, Jared Michael Laughlin, Kaitlyn Marie Holt, and Alyssa Marie Bohach; a wonderful sister, Carol Gilchrist and special friend Dick Feltz of Nokomis, FL; many nieces, nephews, cousins and friends. Loretta was preceded in death by a brother (Karl) and her parents.

Graduating from Gobles High School and college courses at KVCC and Kalamazoo College, Loretta pursued a professional career in Business Finance. She held the position of Gobles City Clerk – Treasurer for 18 years, then moved on to business and finance positions with Upjohn (Pharmacia – Pfizer), retiring from Pfizer in 2006 with 19 years of service. She then worked part-time for Abbott Pharmaceuticals for 4 years as a Global Business Manager.

Loretta lived a wonderful and full life. Her family and home was very important to her. She was a beloved wife, mother, grandmother, sister, aunt, and friend. She will be greatly missed.

Per her request, Loretta's remains have been cremated. The family will meet friends on Mon., January 20th from 6 -8:00 PM at the Gobles Chapel [www.dmlillerfuneralhome.com](http://www.dmlillerfuneralhome.com) where a Memorial Service will be held Tues., January 21st at 12:00 noon, Pastor Nelson Hall officiating. Also per her request, in lieu of flowers, everyone please look to thy neighbor and offer a gesture of help and kindness to those in need.

A special thank you from the family to the many relatives and friends who have provided so much loving support during her illness and to the West Michigan Cancer Center doctors and staff.

# Previous Events

## Visitation

JAN **20**. 6:00 PM - 8:00 PM (ET)

Gobles Chapel  
208 West Main Street  
Gobles, MI

## Service

JAN **21**. 12:00 PM (ET)

D.L. Miller Funeral Home, Inc. - Gobles  
208 West Main, PO Box 6  
Gobles, MI 49055  
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# Tribute Wall

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“ *My deepest sympathy to the family.*

*I worked with Loretta while she was at Upjohn-Pharmacia-Pfizer and she spoke of her husband, children and grandchildren often. She was such a caring and loving soul, always willing to help when she could.*

*Loretta and I had lots of opportunities for a "good laugh" while working together over several years! She was an inspiring co-worker and friend.*

*Mat God bless her and her family!*

*Terry Martin*

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**Terry Martin** - January 21, 2014 at 10:41 AM

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“ *Brett, Vic and family You are all in our thoughts and prayers. May God bring you comfort and peace. Loretta will live on in your hearts forever. She will be missed. We will continue to hold up your family in prayer.*

*Love, David Vickie, Tim and Isaac*

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**david & vickie may** - January 14, 2014 at 06:10 PM



“ *Our aunt, an incredible warm, loving, lovable, funny, "always there for you" lady. You will be forever in our hearts along with years and years of memories and laughs. Miss you.*

*David and Lori Brooks*

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**Lori Brooks** - January 14, 2014 at 12:02 PM

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“ *So sorry for your family's loss. I know you will all miss her greatly. Prayers*  
*Nora(Holt) Needy*



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**Nora Needy** - January 13, 2014 at 09:45 PM