



## Wilma Carolyn Cooley

April 25, 1931 - July 12, 2013

Wilma Carolyn Cooley, 82 of Kendall, MI passed peacefully into the hands of her Lord after a long illness on July 12, 2013 at Allegan General Hospital.

Preceded in death by her parents as well as brothers Paul Knobloch and Gerald Knobloch and a great-grandson, Lloyd Bowman III.

A long-time employee of Gobles Public Schools, Wilma could be found on a school bus, or in the blueberries on many summer days. Wilma was an active member of the Kendall United Methodist Church, serving as the financial secretary for many years. Wilma was also active as a volunteer at Allegan General Hospital.

Survived by two sisters, Helen Engel of Wayland and Evelyn (Paul) Tooker of Allegan, her children Carol Little of Allegan, Debra (Gary) Barber of Allegan, Craig (Connie) Cooley of Gobles and Dale (Sheri) Cooley of Allegan, 10 grandchildren and 12 great-grandchildren.

Following her wishes cremation has taken place. The family met friends on Monday, July 15, from 5-7 PM at the GOBLES CHAPEL, D. L. Miller Funeral Home, [www.dlmillerfuneralhome.com](http://www.dlmillerfuneralhome.com). A memorial service was held Tuesday, July 16, 11AM at the Kendall United Methodist Church, Pastors Nelson Hall and Sheila Baker officiating. In lieu of flowers the family suggests memorial

contributions be made to the Kendall United Methodist Church or the American Cancer Society.

# Cemetery Details

**Cremation**

## Previous Events

### Visitation

JUL 15. 5:00 PM - 7:00 PM (ET)

D.L. Miller Funeral Home, Inc. - Gobles  
208 West Main, PO Box 6  
Gobles, MI 49055  
(269) 628-2852  
[info@dlmillerfuneralhhome.com](mailto:info@dlmillerfuneralhhome.com)

### Service

JUL 16. 11:00 AM (ET)

Kendall United Methodist Church  
26718 CR 388  
Kendall, MI

# Tribute Wall

TF

“ I always called you grandma an remember the talks you had with me as a child you said always offer help to others an i have as a mom you said stand strong an your kids will be strong an be respectful an they are i love an will miss you your a beautiful sole may you be free

tiffany forsythe - July 14, 2013 at 09:00 PM

KN

“ RIP Wilma. She was a good friend and neighbor to our family for many years.

Bruce & Kathy (Buis) Nogle  
Jim & Carol (Buis) Cooley



Kathy Nogle - July 14, 2013 at 07:59 PM

BW

“ Such a nice lady. I remember her face, so familiar, so down to earth, no nonsense bus driver, but with a mothering feel about her that always made you feel safe. Passing of an era for sure.

bonnie (brown) williams - July 14, 2013 at 07:50 PM

DF

“ carol,amy,chad,kylene and aariana....  
my thoughts and prayers go out to all of you.

Until we meet again, the lights that shine will be your guide.  
The memories we had will never end.  
And when we meet again our new journey will begin.

Dannielle Reedy and family - July 13, 2013 at 06:18 PM

VS

“ *Rest in Peace Wilma. My thoughts and prayers are with her family.*

Vicky Souza - July 13, 2013 at 05:55 PM

CW

*Wilma will be missed. So many fond memories of Kendall life and all she gave to each and everyone of our young lives in those precious times. My Deepest Sympathy. Cinda White*

cinda white - July 14, 2013 at 09:38 PM

LE

*I will always remember the night we were at your house visiting. Our two girls, Amy and Sara, were riding your exercise bike. Sara was going quite fast, and you were going to tell her to slow down before she got hurt. Well, before you could say it, her foot slipped off of the pedal and we all heard her bones snap. Before we got her to the car to go to the hospital, all she wanted was for you to be the doctor. You told her that if you could, you would. Thank you for being the grandmother to the kids, that their grandmother was not.*

*Love and miss you, Aunt Wilma.*

*Linda Westfield Engel*

linda westfield engel - July 15, 2013 at 08:47 AM