



Cynthia L. Rieckhoff

March 14, 1952 - July 26, 2024

Cynthia L. Rieckhoff, 72, of Brownstown Township, MI passed away July 26, 2024 at her home. Cindy was born March 14, 1952, in Wyandotte to Charles and Rose Rieckhoff, who preceded her in death.

A graduate of Trenton High School (class of '69) and Michigan State University, Cindy was a lifelong Downriver area resident who in recent years enjoyed using her considerable research skills as a planning committee member for several of her high school class reunions. Family was the core of Cindy's world and touched every aspect of her life, including her career of over 40 years at C.L. Rieckhoff Co. Inc., where she served as Assistant Controller. She had an artist's soul with a talent for crafts including needlepoint and photography, as well as a deep love of books, movies, and genealogy. Cindy brought her gifts and passions to everything she did, including in her adopted role as family historian. She commemorated gatherings and milestones with her trusty camera and brought color to the family tree with her anecdotes of ancestors. A devoted aunt, she relished bringing movie characters to life for her beloved nieces and nephews, and many family gatherings were punctuated with the sounds of her favorites.

She is survived by her siblings: Sue, Jan, Charly (Wendy). John (Denise), Paul (Colleen), Peggy (Bobby) Menker; step-siblings: Debra Penzato, Denise (Mark) Drewno, Kathy (Mike) Baker, Karyn Herman and Steve (Mary)

Domenico; step-mother: Loretta Rieckhoff; 42 nieces and nephews and 20 great nieces and great nephews.

Visitation Thursday, August 1st from 12 PM until the 1 PM Funeral Service at Vermeulen-Sajewski Funeral Home, 46401 Ann Arbor Road West (between Sheldon and Beck) Plymouth. Interment Michigan Memorial Park, Huron Township.

Memorial contributions may be made to the ALS of Michigan, Lou Gehrig's Disease, 24359 Northwestern Highway, Suite 100, Southfield, Michigan 48075-6801, The American Cancer Society, Post Office Box 22718, Oklahoma, Oklahoma, 73123-1718 or to the Anchor Center for Blind Children, 2550 Roslyn St., Denver CO 80238.

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Cemetery Details

Michigan Memorial Park

32163 W. Huron Drive
Flat Rock, MI 48134

Previous Events

Visitation

AUG 1. 12:00 PM - 1:00 PM (ET)

Vermeulen-Sajewski Funeral Home Plymouth
46401 Ann Arbor Road West
Plymouth, MI 48170
(734) 459-2250
plymouth@vermeulenfh.com

Funeral Service

AUG 1. 1:00 PM - 2:00 PM (ET)

Vermeulen-Sajewski Funeral Home Plymouth
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Plymouth, MI 48170
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Tribute Wall

WS

“ So very sorry to hear of Cindy’s passing. We became friends in J. L. Anderson ES and remained friends throughout high school. Lots of fond memories. I will miss you greatly. Rest in peace, Cindy.

Wendy Shugol - August 04, 2024 at 08:03 PM

KS

“ 1 file added to the tribute wall



Kimberly A Spurling - August 01, 2024 at 09:57 AM

HD

“ Howard and Nanette Dodds planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Cynthia L. Rieckhoff.

Howard and Nanette Dodds - July 31, 2024 at 09:22 PM



“ Beautiful in Blue was purchased for the family of Cynthia L. Rieckhoff.



July 31, 2024 at 09:22 PM

CB

“ Carlos B. planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Cynthia L. Rieckhoff.

Carlos B. - July 31, 2024 at 09:09 PM

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“ My deepest condolences to the family. Cindy was such a wonderful gift to the class of 1969. She will be greatly missed. Rest in peace dear friend 🙏❤️

Nona (Nezich)Bowles - July 31, 2024 at 07:16 PM

ED

“ Rest in peace cuz. I wish we would have kept in touch more like we did when we were younger.

Ed Duprey - July 31, 2024 at 02:25 PM

PS

“ Paul and Susan Sinelli-Sutton planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Cynthia L. Rieckhoff.

Paul and Susan Sinelli-Sutton - July 30, 2024 at 02:21 PM

PS

“ Paul and Susan Sinelli-Sutton purchased the Gracious Lavender Basket for the family of Cynthia L. Rieckhoff.



Paul and Susan Sinelli-Sutton - July 30, 2024 at 02:21 PM

KL

“ Kathleen L. purchased the *Your Light Shines* for the family of Cynthia L. Rieckhoff.



Kathleen L. - July 30, 2024 at 11:04 AM

KL

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Kathleen L. - July 30, 2024 at 11:04 AM

CZ

“ I only just recently met my cousin Cindy through a shared love of our genealogy. Her depth of knowledge of our family history is irreplaceable. We recently made plans to continue the research together and it saddens me that we didn't have more time together so I could learn from her. My pledge to you Cindy, I will carry the torch that you had maintained for our family all these years. Rest well, Chris Zambeck

Chris Zambeck - July 30, 2024 at 10:17 AM

CZ

“ Chris, Melissa, Austin, Isabelle Zambeck purchased the *Arrive in Style* for the family of Cynthia L. Rieckhoff.



Chris, Melissa, Austin, Isabelle Zambeck - July 30, 2024 at 10:05 AM

AF

“ Aunt Miriam and family purchased the Full Of Love Bouquet for the family of Cynthia L. Rieckhoff.



Aunt Miriam and family - July 29, 2024 at 10:09 PM