



## Diane Ruth Aton

December 7, 1951 - January 30, 2017

Diane R. (Lee) Aton was born December 7, 1951. She passed away unexpectedly at her home on January 30, 2017, at the age of 65. Diane was the only daughter born to Mark Coleman Lee and Ruth Edna (Byce) Lee. She lived in and around the Wayne/Westland area her whole life. Even though she never ventured far from where she grew up, she had a happy life. Diane was a kind, giving person. She was a great confidant and always had a smile and a kind word for everyone. Diane was a great cook. Going away hungry from the Aton table was never an option. Diane loved sending treats to work with John. She spoiled them as much as she did the family. Her family was her greatest treasure. The joy of John and Diane's life happened almost four years ago when their first grandson, Gavin, was born. Recently the family increased with two more grandsons when CJ married Mary. Diane was thrilled that the family was growing and her children were happy. She was over the moon with love for the Grandsons. She was preceded in death by her parents; Brother Roger Duane Lee; Mother in Love, Mary Aton and beloved fur baby Harley. Diane is survived by her husband of 43 years, John L. Aton; her children Nicole (Bradlee) Gregory and Christopher (Mary) Aton; three grandchildren; Gavin, Cayden and Cole; Brother Mark Kevin Lee; Sister in Love, Charlotte (Lee) Beaver; and many nieces, nephews, relatives and friends who will miss her forever. We will celebrate Diane's life Friday 11 AM at Vermeulen-Sajewski Funeral Home, 980 N. Newburgh Road (between Ford Road and Cherry Hill) Westland. Visitation Thursday 3-8 PM. Memorial

contributions may be made to Angela Hospice, 14100 Newburgh Road, Livonia, MI 48154 or Michigan Humane Society, 30300 Telegraph Road, Suite 220, Bingham Farms, MI 48025-4509. To share a memory, please use the Share a Memory tab on this web page.

# Previous Events

## Visitation

FEB 2. 3:00 PM - 8:00 PM (ET)

Vermeulen-Sajewski Funeral Home Westland  
980 North Newburgh Road  
Westland, MI 48185  
(734) 326-1300  
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## Funeral Service

FEB 3. 11:00 AM - 12:00 PM (ET)

Vermeulen-Sajewski Funeral Home Westland  
980 North Newburgh Road  
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# Tribute Wall



“ *Diane Ruth Aton*

December 07, 2023 at 05:11 AM



“ *John and family, we are deeply saddened to hear of Diane's untimely passing. We hope and pray that your good memories sustain you during the days to come. Peace to you all.*

**Bob and Dawn Middendorff** - February 02, 2017 at 08:21 PM



“ *Motor City Harley-Davidson family, Brighton Harley Davidson and Motor City Power Sports Family purchased the Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum for the family of Diane Ruth Aton.*



**Motor City Harley-Davidson family, Brighton Harley Davidson and Motor City Power Sports Family** - February 02, 2017 at 02:19 PM



“ *Brother Kevin, Max, and John purchased the Amazing Arboricola for the family of Diane Ruth Aton.*



**Brother Kevin, Max, and John** - February 01, 2017 at 01:29 PM

JC

“ This is just one of many memories I have of Mrs Aton, I was about 12 yrs old, and I was watching my cousins baby for a short period of time while she shopped. The baby was sleeping, so I thought I would be fine alone with him. Well, he woke up, and just would not stop crying, face turning red, screaming his head off!! I started to panic, and well, cell phones weren't around 28 yrs ago... I didn't know what to do!!! So I called Mrs Aton in a panic, she came right down (we only lived 6 houses apart), and whatever it was she did the baby calmed down immediately!! She stayed there with me until my cousin came back. I don't know what I would have done if she hadn't come to my rescue!! For some reason this memory has always stuck with me. That is all. Just a fond memory of a wonderful woman I wanted to share. RIP xoxo

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**Jessica Crutchfield** - January 31, 2017 at 08:16 PM

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I lived 3 houses down from the Atom family.. They were the best of friends with my parents we met them November of 1976. Not only was I friends with them I also babysat a few times. I remembe when John was redoing the outside of the house and my dad helping him. My mom and Diane would go on shopping outings together. My brothe and Nikki went all through school together. We all may have moved apart but we all stayed connected either by family, memories and the heart. Diane has a heart of gold and she was so nice. My mom and her are in heaven together as best friends once again.. God bless. You will be dearly missed.. Love you all.

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**Gloria ( Hamlett) Curia** - February 01, 2017 at 02:31 AM