



## Diane Lynn Boatman

May 10, 1948 - June 12, 2025

Boatman, Diane Lynn, June 12, 2025, age, 77 passed away comfortably in hospice care at her home in Southfield, Michigan. She was preceded in death by her parents William Easton Sr., mother Vivian Perkins Easton and brother Gary Easton. She leaves behind her husband of 57 years Martin R. Boatman Sr., three children: Martin R. (Elaina) Boatman II, Rhonda Boatman and Dr. Katherine "Katie" Boatman DVM. Brother William Easton Jr., sisters Pamela Kopicko, Paula Young and Margaret Price. Grandchildren Calvin, Martin Boatman III, Allison, Jessica, Brandon and Arianna. Many nieces and nephews, great nieces and nephews, cousins and extended family Alesia, Ruffin, Garnett Davis, Kelly Picot, Annette Boyd, Caren Boatman and Ariel Olah. Diane was very active in the Detroit Puppeteers, Michigan Doll makers Guild and Sculptors Guild for many years along with Alpine and Pine Knob ski patrols. She enjoyed sewing, making puppets, porcelain dolls and sculpting. She also raised a couple of leader dogs for Lions of Michigan Leader Dog in Rochester, Michigan. Her favorite job was being a grandmother, involved with her grandchildren and family. She will be truly missed.

A Celebration of Life will be held on Sunday, August 10th from 12-5 PM at Finnish Camp, 2255 Lyonia Avenue in Wixom, Michigan. Arrangements entrusted with Vermeulen-Sajewski Funeral Home, Westland. To share a memory please use the Share a Memory tab on this web page.

# Previous Events

## Celebration of Life

AUG **10**. 12:00 PM - 5:00 PM (ET)

Finnish Camp  
2255 Lyonia Avenue  
Wixom, MI 48393

# Tribute Wall

RY

“ Rhonda and marty? My prayers go out to your family. I'm truly sorry for your loss from Ryan Fisher

Ryan - March 07 at 07:31 PM

NS

“ Marty, I am so very sorry for your loss.

Nycha Schlegel - July 31, 2025 at 02:13 PM

EC

Marty, i always remember you and Diane in charge of the Puppet store at various DPG events. Praying for God to comfort you. Best wishes, Eileen Clark

Eileen Clark - August 07, 2025 at 02:52 PM

GR

“ She was a blessing to this world and will be missed by all who knew her. My condolences to the family.

Gustave Rayl - June 29, 2025 at 10:26 PM

ES

“ Dear Marty, please accept my cordial condolences. RIP Diane. I hope our prayers will be consoling and bring peace to your heart.

Ela Spieszny - June 20, 2025 at 12:03 AM

RF

“ Thinking of you and hoping there is sunshine in your life soon.

Ray Fitzsimons - June 18, 2025 at 12:55 PM

PS

“ *Diane was a wonderful person and I knew her as an avid puppeteer. My thoughts and prayers are with the family. Paola Seidel*

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**Paola Seidel** - June 14, 2025 at 10:20 AM

AW

“ *Dear Marty and Rhonda we are so sorry for your loss. We have lots of good memories of our time together in Farmington Special Olympics. Amy and Suzi Wilson*

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**Amy Wilson** - June 13, 2025 at 08:35 PM