



Mary E. Cumberland

August 7, 2006

Mary E. Cumberland, age 83 of Southfield, August 7, 2006.

Beloved wife of the late Robert E. Dear mother of Cathy (Bruce) Moorman; and dear grandmother of Amy and Christopher. Also leaves one cousin, Donna Mae Diekman; and special "family" from Grand Rapids. Funeral service Wednesday 11 AM at Vermeulen Funeral Home, 46401 West Ann Arbor Road (between Sheldon and Beck) Plymouth. Visitation Tuesday 2-9 PM, and in-state Wednesday 10 AM until service.

Mary was born in Grand Rapids, the daughter of Clara and Bernard Goozen. She was raised in the Grand Rapids area, and was a graduate of South High School (Class of 1940) and Grand Rapids Junior College. She met her husband Bob at the Tip-Toppers club, and they eventually settled on this side of the state, living in this area for approximately 60 years. They were long-time members of Community Congregational Church in Lathrup Village, where Mary was active on many committees and boards. She was a secretary who through the years worked for Michigan Bell, Excello Corp, and the City of Southfield. Mary also enjoyed traveling with her husband, especially to his many Navy reunions. She was an active member of Kiwanis Clubs International, Beverly Hills Dance Club and was on the Class Reunion Committee for South High School. She also volunteered with many civic organizations for improving nursing home quality in Michigan, most notably Citizens for Better Care.

Contributions in her memory may be made to the Community Congregational

Church in Lathrup Village, or to the St. Matthew United Methodist Church in Ypsilanti. To leave a message of condolence, click on the Online Condolences link on this page.

Tribute Wall



“ *Mary E. Cumberland*

December 07, 2023 at 05:11 AM



“ *Marion and I will miss Mary very much we both used to do her hair at Kopy Katz.*

We both wish we could of been there for the services we are very sorry about your lose.

Josie And Marion - December 12, 2014 at 10:34 AM



“ *Bob and Mary were my parents best friends. I have known them all my life. I always remember Mary because of her laughter,perhaps she had spilled her wine glass or in response to something said. She was so intellegent and poised at any occasion. She was loving and caring to all she met.She was special to me.I was at thier 50th wedding aniversary and took pictures. She was so pleased to have such photographs of her and Bob to remember. My parents and I shall miss them in our hearts and minds for all time. They were both so special to us.*

Mark Standley - December 12, 2014 at 10:34 AM



“ *I'm so sorry to hear of Mary's passing. What an amazing woman she was. So intellegent and thoughtful. We will miss her dearly.*

*Natalie Hall
Community Congregational Church*

Natalie Hall - December 12, 2014 at 10:34 AM

JD

“ *Cathy & Family:
My heart goes out to you and your family during this time. Praying
for your continued strength for today and the days ahead. May God
bless you and keep you.*

Jackie Davis - December 12, 2014 at 10:34 AM

BF

“ *im very sorry for your loss. Your mother and father were both
wonderful people. your mother always had a smil on her face, I also
remember she had a witty sense of humor. whenever think of
church your parents come to mind. My father loved both of your
parents i know he is saddened by your mothers passing. please
know you are in are thoughts and prayers*

bob frackelton - December 12, 2014 at 10:34 AM

EM

“ *I worked with Mary at the City of Southfield. She was a very good
worker, very helpful to all, and a good friend.*

My heart goes out to all of you on your loss.

Estelle Markow - December 12, 2014 at 10:34 AM

EB

“ *My deepest sympathy is extended to you and your family. I worked
briefly with Mary at the Human Services Department and we
became instant friends. She was a delightful person and I know she
will be missed. My prayers are with you all.*

Eileen Bagley - December 12, 2014 at 10:34 AM

WC

“ *In this time of loss as a family, may your bonds of love join you more deeply and your memories of Mary brighten the day. She certainly was a great employee/friend for all the years she worked in the Building Department. You have my prayers and sympathy. 2 Cor. 1:3&4*

Wayne R. Jewell, CBO - December 12, 2014 at 10:34 AM

KS

“ *God Bless you and your family at this time of sorrow.*

Karen J. Smith (City of Southfield) - December 12, 2014 at 10:34 AM