



Vanetta "Happi" M. Truan

July 26, 1948 - January 7, 2022

Truan, Vanetta "Happi" January 7, 2022, age 73 of Plymouth. Loving wife of the late Mark. Former wife of Dale Merritt. Beloved mother of Michelle Merritt. "Happi" was an extraordinary, and remarkable person, who touched many many lives to the fullest, she will be truly missed by all who knew her, including Stella.

Funeral Service Tuesday, January 11th 11 AM at Vermeulen-Sajewski Funeral Home, 46401 Ann Arbor Road, West, Plymouth (between Sheldon & Beck).
Visitation Monday, January 10th 4-8 PM Interment United Memorial Gardens.
To share a memory with the family, please use the "Share a Memory" tab on this web page.

Cemetery Details

United Memorial Gardens

4800 Curtis Road
Plymouth, MI 48170

Previous Events

Visitation

JAN 10. 4:00 PM - 8:00 PM (ET)

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Funeral Service

JAN 11. 11:00 AM - 11:30 AM (ET)

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Tribute Wall



“ *Vanetta "Happi" M. Truan*

December 07, 2023 at 05:11 AM



“ *She was a loyal friend, the glue that held Critter Control together. She was always ready to listen and seek a resolution to issues that franchisees had. Kevin was the big picture person; Happi was the go to person who was a wonderful person! I shall miss her a great deal! She was my friend!!*

Dr. Chris Christensen - January 12, 2022 at 05:51 PM



“ *Happi you were loved by all. When I came in as a new franchisee in Critter-Control, you were always there for support with a loving attitude. Happi you will be missed. We all loved you very much.*

Mark Shetterly - January 11, 2022 at 01:50 PM



“ *I met Happi thru mutual friends years ago. What I remember most was her bubbly spirit. When we would gather, I knew if Happi was there we were going to have a good time. RIP good friend.*
Jerry Lonergan

Jerry Lonergan - January 11, 2022 at 12:56 PM

JR

We knew Happi and Mark from years at Cancun. We loved them both. I wanted to tell Happi that Jack Jones died on Friday. I had looked for Happi for awhile and I'm devastated to find her obituary. Jerri Jorgensen Rado and Jack Jones loved both Mark and Happi. I hope to meet you all soon, somewhere over the rainbow!

jerri Jorgensen Rado - September 04, 2023 at 05:24 PM



“ *Beautiful in Blue was purchased for the family of Vanetta "Happi" M. Truan.*



January 10, 2022 at 05:31 PM

TR

“ *My heart hurts to hear this news. From the moment Mike introduced me to you I knew you had a heart of gold. Happi your sparkle and shine will surely be missed on earth but I'm sure you will be shining brighter as an angel 🙏 I'm sure you gave that Michael a big ol hug and kiss xoxo love you Theresa Rossi*

Theresa Rossi - January 10, 2022 at 05:30 PM

SM

“ *Sending Condolences and prayers. We always enjoyed the 19th hole parties that Aunt Vee would have after the Purr/Gorczyca golf outings. Very special memories indeed! Her laugh was priceless and she will be missed*

Sherry and Bart Matthews - January 10, 2022 at 04:25 PM

JR

Could you text me? I am shocked at the loss of two extraordinary people, Mark and Happi Truan. My partner, Jack Jones, died on Friday so now the fun friends from Cancun have gone on without me. I am heartbroken!

jerri Jorgensen Rado - September 04, 2023 at 05:37 PM



“ Aunt Vee words cannot express my sadness. Your light shined so bright. I have no Aunts and you took me in 50 years ago so many memories that I ill hold tight. Your love and laughter will live on in all of us and I will watch over Lisa till we meet again. Love with all my heart Lois

Lois Owens-Kerr - January 10, 2022 at 01:17 PM

A(

“ Aaron and Mary Durham (neighbors) purchased the Enchanted Cottage for the family of Vanetta "Happi" M. Truan.



Aaron and Mary Durham (neighbors) - January 10, 2022 at 12:25 PM



“ Beautiful in Blue was purchased for the family of Vanetta "Happi" M. Truan.



January 10, 2022 at 11:13 AM

TS

“ We are deeply saddened by the dimming of Happi's shining light. We are forever indebted to her for her love and tremendous faith in us & would not be where we are without her encouragement, support, guidance, and unselfish friendship.

Tracy & Carla Sullivan

Cirtter Control of Hamilton County, Indiana

Tracy & Carla Sullivan - January 10, 2022 at 09:57 AM

SM

Missed seeing Vanetta these past few years but still had some fun and good memories with her. The 19th hole at her and Mark's house after our Purr/Gorczyca golf outings were always so special!! She will be missed by many, including us ❤️❤️🙏🙏🙏

Sherry Matthews - January 10, 2022 at 10:53 AM

JM

“ Jill Jacqueline & Michael purchased the Love Eve rlasting Bouquet for the family of Vanetta "Happi" M. Truan.



Jill Jacqueline & Michael - January 10, 2022 at 09:57 AM

TI

“ Tracy & Carla Sullivan - CCofHamilton IN purchased the Serene Retreat for the family of Vanetta "Happi" M. Truan.



Tracy & Carla Sullivan - CCofHamilton IN - January 10, 2022 at 09:50 AM

LD

“ Lou. P. Sievers, D.M.D. purchased the Dreams From the Heart Bouquet for the family of Vanetta "Happi" M. Truan.



Lou. P. Sievers, D.M.D. - January 10, 2022 at 08:26 AM



“ Full Of Love Bouquet was purchased for the family of Vanetta "Happi" M. Truan.



January 10, 2022 at 05:17 AM



“ Your Light Shines was purchased for the family of Vanetta "Happi" M. Truan.



January 10, 2022 at 12:33 AM



“ Sweet Tranquility Basket was purchased for the family of Vanetta "Happi" M. Truan.



January 09, 2022 at 11:48 PM

LI

“ Lianne purchased the Beautiful in Blue for the family of Vanetta "Happi" M. Truan.



Lianne - January 09, 2022 at 06:48 PM



“ Arrive in Style was purchased for the family of Vanetta "Happi" M. Truan.



January 09, 2022 at 05:52 PM

PC

“ Paul, Kim and Chloe purchased the Bountiful Rose Basket for the family of Vanetta "Happi" M. Truan.



Paul, Kim and Chloe - January 09, 2022 at 04:28 PM

CF

“ Carole Greer and Family purchased the Beautiful Dreams for the family of Vanetta "Happi" M. Truan.



Carole Greer and Family - January 09, 2022 at 04:15 PM

DW

“ Vanetta, Happi, VeeVee, Haps, how do I jot down a few words about you? A few words could never be enough. 49 years my BFF. We had good times, we had great times, we had crazy times. We had more than a few adventures-flew to Chicago twice, Indianapolis, Florida. I got to go on your CC company cruise (thank you Kevin), trips to Traverse City and so much more. And all the silly little things we did along the way. I'm glad our kids have long been friends. They probably thought we were a little crazy. Maybe we were. Michelle, my prayers go out to you. You had an amazing mother you can always be proud of. Until we meet again my friend. I love you!
Donna Wilkins

Donna Wilkins - January 09, 2022 at 02:04 PM

TM

Dear Vanetta, thanks for the memories. Love you always, Theresa Morris

Theresa Morris - January 09, 2022 at 05:47 PM

DP

“ Truly a sad day for anyone that knew Vanetta. She was beautiful inside and out. I was always amazed at how, once she met you and your kids, she remembered all of their names. She genuinely cared about everyone she met and if she was talking to you, all of her focus was on you. You will be sorely missed Vanetta.



Deanna Pappas - January 09, 2022 at 01:24 PM

LD

So true, Deanna. Happi never met my son but always asked about him by name as well as my Mom!

Lou P. Sievers, D.M.D. - January 11, 2022 at 03:16 PM

DP

“ Deanna Pappas purchased the Small Garden Dish for the family of Vanetta "Happi" M. Truan.



Deanna Pappas - January 09, 2022 at 01:14 PM

KD

“ Vanetta was like a sister to me, she was my sister Donna's best friend. The most kind and caring person I ever knew. She always told my daughters how beautiful they were, and fondly nicknamed my youngest "her little Lolita!" We will miss her until we see her again in Heaven!



Karen DiCicco - January 09, 2022 at 01:03 PM

JD

“ John & Karen DiCicco purchased the Arrive in Style for the family of Vanetta "Happi" M. Truan.



John & Karen DiCicco - January 09, 2022 at 12:51 PM



“ Sentiments of Serenity Spray was purchased for the family of Vanetta "Happi" M. Truan.



January 09, 2022 at 12:31 PM

DW

“ Donna And kenny Wilkins purchased the Peaceful White Lilies Basket for the family of Vanetta "Happi" M. Truan.



Donna And kenny Wilkins - January 09, 2022 at 12:20 PM

NP

“ *"Happi" was an appropriate nickname for a gal that worked hard to develop close relationships ... she had MANY friends developed over the years as Marketing Manager for Critter Control. I was fortunate enough to know her and her family for over 25 years. And she knew and remembered just about every member of my family. She talked about Michelle always ... and had one of the best memories ever.*

Many Critter Control trips and lunches together at Compare's and Captain Jack's with Rick and Dianne and with K.C. at 885 were always joyous occasions, to say the least. Had planned on playing golf with her this summer and visiting her in Pinckney .. so needless to say, I am shocked and saddened by her demise.

Unfortunately I will not be able to attend tomorrow ... as my wife (Pat) is not well and I chose not to leave her for any period of time. We are both fully vaccinated but are still keeping Covid protocol.

*May "Haps" RIP! She is probably gathering friends around her upstairs and holding court;
as we speak*

From: Norm and Pat Ponkey

Norman Ponkey - January 09, 2022 at 11:48 AM

LD

Remembering meeting you with Happi at 885 once a few years ago! I could not make it to service either. Loved Happi!
Lou Sievers

Lou P. Sievers, D.M.D. - January 11, 2022 at 03:12 PM