



# Mary Elizabeth "Liz" Heilman

JUN 12, 1927 - APR 7, 2017



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**M**ary Elizabeth "Liz" Heilman, age 89, died in the loving care of Blue Water Hospice on April 7, 2017. Liz was born on June 12, 1927, to Ernest and Bernadette Bon Secours. On October 2, 1948, she married F. Louis Heilman, who preceded her in death in 1981.

Liz was a member of Holy Cross Catholic Church. She enjoyed being part of the church choir for many years. She also enjoyed being a member and Past Regent of the Daughters of Isabella, St. Agatha Circle #419.

She is survived by daughters, Bernadette Wilkins of St. Clair, Victoria Smith of Berkley, Jeanette Williams of Paw Paw, Josette Barney of East China, Yvette Slease of St. Clair, Colette (Dallas) Danhausen of Kimball and Lisette Heilman of Marine City; sons, Karl Heilman of Georgia, David (Lety) Heilman of Texas and Daniel (Donna) Heilman of Fort Gratiot; 31 grandchildren and 31 great grandchildren.

She was preceded in death by her daughter, Annette Heilman; grandson, Matthew Williams; grand-daughter, Mary Terese Slease; sister, Catherine Gregg and sons in law, Ray Wilkins, Roger Barney and Dave Williams.

A very special thank you to the compassionate care of Blue Water Hospice staff, Scott, Chantel, Kathleen, Joe & Mindy. Also, Blue Water Hospice Home and their caring staff and volunteers.

A Mass of Resurrection will be Wednesday April 12th at 12:00 p.m. at Holy Cross Catholic Church, Our Lady on the River Parish, Marine City. Interment will be in Calvary Cemetery, Cheboygan. Visiting hours are Tuesday 3:00 to 8:00 p.m. at Young Funeral Home with rosary recital at 7:00 p.m. Additional visitation Wednesday at the church one hour prior to mass.

Memorials may be made to the wishes of the family. To leave a message of comfort visit [www.youngcolonial.com](http://www.youngcolonial.com)



# Events

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## Visitation

**Tuesday**, April 11, 2017

3:00 PM - 8:00 PM ET

**Young Colonial Chapel Funeral Home**  
4061 Saint Clair Hwy, East China MI



## Rosary

**Tuesday**, April 11, 2017

7:00 PM ET

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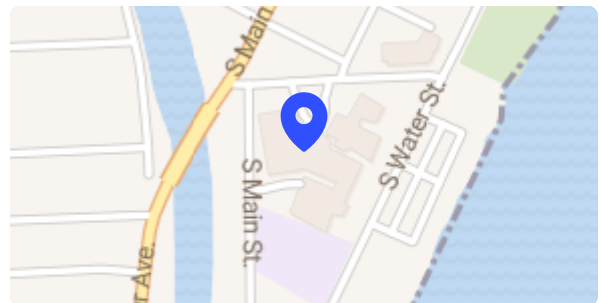


## Funeral Mass

**Wednesday**, April 12, 2017

12:00 PM ET

**Holy Cross Catholic Church, Our Lady on the River Parish**  
610 Water St., Marine city MI 48039



## Cemetery Details

**Calvary Cemetery**  
Cheboygan MI





## Tribute Wall

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DH

**David Heilman** shared an album called **New Album Name**.



April 20 at 3:30 PM

DH

**David Heilman** posted:

My Mother was a saint. She never swayed from her beliefs in life. I talked to her today, while looking at her picture that I have hung on my wall. Three things she told me in life have always stuck with me. One, David, never forget that I love you. Two, I only will give advice when someone asks me for advice. Three, take care of yourself because your son Jeremy needs you. RIP Mom, Love you always.

April 20 at 1:14 PM

MM

**Mary McBride Mckenzie** posted:

I loved Liz she made everyone feel comfortable and welcomed. I had the privilege of giving her the first grandchild. I was young and could barely change a diaper yet she never criticized me and was always willing to answer my many questions. She was also a good friend to my own mother. I always admired her. Many loved her and she will be missed by everyone that knew her including me. Rest In Peace my second mom.

April 12 at 6:25 AM

NC

**Niki Cahours** posted:

I am so sorry for your loss. I remember meeting Mrs. Heilman years ago, she was such a sweet kindhearted and down to earth person. I know what a great loss this is for you all. I hope you can find comfort and peace in knowing shes in the arms of God. My thoughts and prayers are with you all.

April 11 at 8:43 PM



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**Karl** posted:

Hi, I am Karl. I wanted share some things about my mother that many people may not know about. While in high school, she was the valedictorian of her class and won many awards in debate. She was a pilot early on and flew biplanes. She worked as a secretary at Michigan Bell Telephone in Detroit. She was a great stenographer. Although she never drove, she did get a drivers license many years ago. I remember teaching her how to back out of the garage. When we lived in Cadillac she used to make these killer homemade doughnuts. She also made the best homemade strawberry jam! My mother spoke fluent French and often her and her mother would speak French when they did not want us kids to know what they were talking about. My mother had the toughest and fullest of careers raising 11 children. She never indicated she would of rather chosen a different life direction. She loved her children. Many don't know these things about my mother because she was very "humble". She always bragged on my dad or us kids never talking about her own incredible intelligence and abilities. You will be missed mom. Love.....Karl

April 11 at 11:53 AM



**Mary McBride Mckenzie** April 12 at 6:15 AM

What a great tribute Karl



**Peggy Heaslip** April 11 at 10:40 PM

Nice post. No, I didn't know! What a woman!



**Lisette Heilman** April 11 at 8:22 PM

Good job Karl.



**Anonymous** sent a Tranquil Seas to the Heilman family.



April 10 at 4:37 PM



**Cheri, Ken, Jacob & Jared Weingartz** sent a Beautiful in Blue to the Heilman family.



April 10 at 5:17 AM



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**Janet Canode** posted:

This lady was the kindness person I ever met. She gave up her house to me and she always received the first batch of Rhubarb from the garden every year we lived there. Thank you God for making her and sharing her with us!! Janet & Ken Canode

April 10 at 4:46 AM



**Marilyn Wright** posted:

BERNADETTE SO SORRY TO HEAR OF YOUR MOMS PASSING SHE WAS SUCH A SWEET GRACIOUS LADY MY THOUGHTS ARE WITH YOU AND YOUR FAMILY

April 10 at 3:08 AM



**Judy Willis Formerly Judy Snider** lit a candle in honor of Mary.

Dear Liz , you were the very best person and friend that one could ever have . Always faithful . I know a special place has been prepared for you in Heaven. I am sure your family knows what an Angel they had for a mother. May they find Solice iand Peace in that fact . Go with God , dear liz. Remember the wonder escapes to the Little Bar. For Lunch ,



April 10 at 2:41 AM



**Penny Flynn** posted:

Liz you always made us feel like a part of your family. I'm so glad I got to see you June 2016. Rest well with God in heaven. Say hello to Jim. To your Children my deepest condolences. Penny (Snider) Flynn now living in Australia

April 9 at 11:34 PM



**Anonymous** sent an Ocean Breeze Spray to the Heilman family.



April 9 at 6:13 PM



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**Lynne Moldenhauer** posted:

I am so sorry for this loss for all of you. Mrs. Heilman was one of the dearest women I have ever known. I loved running into her at The Riviera for Sunday brunch when my mother and sister and I would go after Mass. It is a deep blessing to have known her, and you have my deepest sympathy and prayers for peace. Lynne Moldenhauer IHM

April 9 at 10:25 AM



**Lisa Azar** posted:

Our hearts go out to Yvette, her siblings, and her entire family in this time of sorrow. We now how much your mother and grandmother touched your lives and she will stay in your hearts forever. "What we have once enjoyed and deeply loved we can never lose, for all that we love deeply becomes a part of us."...Helen Keller Lisa, Maurice, and Jordan Azar

April 9 at 7:38 AM



**Anonymous** sent a Pink Potpourri Bouquet to the Heilman family.



April 9 at 4:13 AM



**Cheryl Bauer** posted:

So very to hear of your loss. May your many happy memories bring you comfort, until you meet again. Cheryl & Eddie

April 8 at 3:51 PM



**Paul, Karen Zalewski And Families.** April 8 at 4:45 PM

So sorry to hear of your loss. Thoughts, prayers and love from Paul and Karen and families.



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**Denise Grabski** lit a candle in honor of Mary.

Liz Heilman was one of the kindest, sweetest women we have ever met. Rest easy our dear friend. John and Denise Grabski East China

April 8 at 1:41 PM



**Barbara Dernbach** April 10 at 4:06 AM

A beautiful lady with a heart of gold!! Always kind and loving!! Sending prayers to her family....



## Media

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David Heilman shared a photo to the **New Album Name** album.

April 20 at 3:30 PM



Baby Lisette, Liz, and David



## **Memories only last if you share them**

Join us in honoring Mary by contributing to a collection of shared memories.



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