



Marilyn F. (Teall) Schrader, age 69 of Manistee, Michigan, died at her home on Friday evening, October 10, 2014, surrounded by her family. She was born on Easter Sunday, April 1, 1945 in Holland, Michigan and was the daughter of the late Alan F. and Frances (Hoover) Teall. Her mother many times referred to her as her “Little Easter Egg”. Marilyn soon showed that her calling was to be a care giver for the afflicted at the tender age of three years, as she began taking care of her disabled grandfather who lived with the Teall family in their home in Holland, Michigan. Marilyn always had a thirst for travel and adventure and in her early teens would travel with her father Alan, who was a labor

coordinator for the Heinz Company to Texas, New Mexico, Arizona and other states to recruit migrant workers for Heinz. One of the first jobs she had after her graduation from Holland High School, where she had been very active in athletic sports and being a cheer leader, as well as an accomplished tennis player, was being a “Pickle Packer” for the Heinz Company with encouragement from her father. She soon found out this was not her calling, but sure made for a very funny story. Soon after she attended Ferris State College, then moved to Chicago, then to San Francisco and then to Hawaii for a year. After she returned from Hawaii, her next move was with her father to Manistee to help him with his new business venture as owner of Eddies Party Market in Parkdale. After her move to Manistee is when Gary came into the picture, and he fell in love with her and they married on May 10, 1969 at Saint Joseph Catholic Church in Manistee. They raised three children and lived the rest of their lives together.

Besides being a great mother to her children, she also worked outside of their home at J.C. Penny Company as a sales person, at a tree farm for two seasons (She loved the Job), then at the Manistee County Medical care Facility as a nurse’s aide. At age forty four she decided to go to West Shore Community College to earn her degree in nursing, where she graduated the top student in the class of forty students. She understood that her calling was taking care of the sick and elderly and began her career at West Shore Hospital, where every one of her patients loved her caring personality. Health issues forced her to retire early and her life of needing assistance began the very last thing that she would have ever wanted. Marilyn loved to help, not to be helped. The last several years of her life were very tough, cancer, strokes and Alzheimer’s – but she never complained and still tried to assist others. She was truly a beautiful person inside and out and will be missed by anyone who knew her.

Marilyn had a deep love of music, loved animals, and had many family pets over the years, and also had a favorite house cricket. She had a very deep faith and was a member of Saint Joseph Catholic Church of Manistee.

Marilyn is survived by her husband, Gary L. Schrader of Manistee, three sons, Nathaniel Schrader, Lukas Wayne Schrader and Garrett Teall Schrader, all of Manistee, her sister and brother in-law, Frances and Jim Van Dyke of Wellston, MI, her brother and sister in-law, Gary and Elaine Teall of Holland, MI, her mother in-law, Jean Schrader, her brother in-law and sister in-law, Roger and Amy Schrader all of Manistee. Numerous nieces and nephews also survive her.

She was also preceded in death by her brother, Robert Teall, her father in-law, Roger "Pete" Schrader, her sister in-law, Anita Schrader and her brother in-law, Wayne Schrader.

According to her wishes cremation has taken place and a Memorial Mass from The Order of Christian Funerals will be celebrated Saturday, October 18, 2014 at 11:00 AM at Saint Joseph Catholic Church in Manistee with Reverend John McCracken celebrant. The family will receive friends and family at the church one hour prior to the funeral Mass. A funeral luncheon for family and friends will take place at the Saint Joseph Parish Center, immediately following Marilyn's Funeral Mass.

Memorials will be established in Marilyn's name for Saint Joseph Catholic Church of Manistee, Homeward Bound Animal Shelter and Hospice of Michigan. Envelopes are available at the funeral home and will be available at the church on Saturday morning. **The Herbert Funeral Home of Manistee is in charge of funeral arrangements.**