



## Lorraine Joan Yates

September 16, 2019

Lorraine Joan Yates, 82, of Saginaw Twp., our friendly, boisterous, strong-willed, and sometimes opinionated mother, grandma, sister, aunt, and friend passed away peacefully on the morning of Monday, September 16, 2019 at HealthSource Saginaw. Lorraine was born in Saginaw on January 26, 1937, the daughter of the late David and Dorothea (Altergott) Niederquell. At the age of 40, Lorraine returned to high school and graduated with her girls in 1977 from Arthur Hill High School. Throughout life, Lorraine worked as a caregiver, mostly at nursing homes, and later in private. She was a faithful member of St. John's Lutheran Church and enjoyed playing bingo, trips to the casino, cooking her acclaimed German recipes, knitting, crocheting, and spending time with her grandchildren and great-grandchildren, who were the lights of her life. Lorraine will be deeply missed, yet lovingly remembered for years to come. Left to carry on her legacy are her eight children, David Yates, Dorothy & Ernie Decuf, Darlene & James Izzo, Mark & Mary Yates, Fred Yates, Carol & Jeff Gunther, Julie & Aaron Gaudreau, and James & Nina Yates. Lorraine was the most loving and supportive grandma of Courtney, Abbie, Aaron, Carly, Nicholas, Samuel, Joshua, Jason, Jennifer, Stephanie, Amber, Jeffrey, Brandon, Taylor, Heather, Holly, James Jr., and Blake, and also leaves behind 30 great-grandchildren; sisters, Dorothy Cook and Carol Niederquell, along with many nieces and nephews. In addition to her parents, Lorraine was welcomed home to heaven by her former husband and father of her children, Ernest J. Yates; grandson, Cody Riselay; brother, David & Jean "Tootie" Niederquell; sister, Emma & Bill Martin, and brother-in-law, Doug Cook. Lorraine's family will be present to receive visitors on Friday, September 20, 2019 from 10:00 AM until Lorraine's 11:00 AM Funeral Ceremony at St. John's Lutheran Church, 4705 Brockway Rd., Saginaw Twp. Rev. Daniel Garbow will officiate. Cremation will follow, with interment to be held privately in Roselawn Memorial Gardens. Memorial contributions may be directed to the wishes of the family, c/o Dorothy Decuf. Final arrangements have been entrusted to the care of Skorupski Family Funeral Home & Cremation Services (formerly Reitz-Herzberg), 1550 Midland Rd., between State & Gratiot. Expressions of sympathy may be shared with the family online at [www.skorupskis.com](http://www.skorupskis.com).

# Comments

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“ Deepest condolences to the entire family. Mrs. Yates brought a lot of really great people in to this world. I surely will not forget her.!

**Butch Packard** - September 21, 2019 at 12:00 AM

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**Michael Morrison** - September 19, 2019 at 12:00 AM

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“ Rest in peace Aunt Lorraine

**Brenda Barres** - September 17, 2019 at 12:00 AM

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“ I send my cousins a hug. I have many childhood memories of Aunt Lorraine and they will remain strong in my memory. She loved to cook and her German dishes were always so good. She will remain alive in every one of us!

**Connie (Munger) Green** - September 17, 2019 at 12:00 AM