



# Marilyn Elaine Headford

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**M**arilyn Elaine Headford, 81, of Troy, OH, formerly of Fort Wayne, passed away suddenly Sunday, May 15, 2016, at home. Born in Fort Wayne, she was the daughter of the late Walter and Selma (Bohn) Stemmler. She was a lifelong member of St. James Lutheran Church, New Haven and most recently a member of First Lutheran Church, Troy, OH. She played organ for multiple churches and had a huge place in her heart for the St. Jude Children's Home. She worked for both Fort Wayne Cardiology and Dayton Pain and Preventative Medicine as a medical transcriptionist, retiring in 2009. She loved playing cards and could often be found on a casino boat or on the Las Vegas strip.

She is survived by her daughters, Marilyn Vaughn of Troy, OH, Susan (John) Stilwell of Crystal River, FL, and Carol (Randy) Prudden of Eaton, OH; sister, Catherine Chilcote of Fort Wayne; eight grandchildren; 11 great grandchildren; and longtime companion, John Smekens of Troy, OH. She was preceded in death by her husbands, Darol Eldridge and Robert Headford; and sister, Martha Wamboldt.

Funeral service is 11 a.m. Saturday at St. James Lutheran Church, 1720 St. Rd. 930 E., New Haven with calling from 9:30 to 11 a.m. prior to service. Rev. David Williamson and Father Roger Vaughn officiating. Burial in Greenlawn Memorial Park Cemetery, Fort Wayne. Preferred memorials are to the St. Jude Children's Home or [www.neversayneverfoundation.org](http://www.neversayneverfoundation.org). Arrangements by E. Harper & Son Funeral Home, 740 St. Rd. 930 E., New Haven.




# Events


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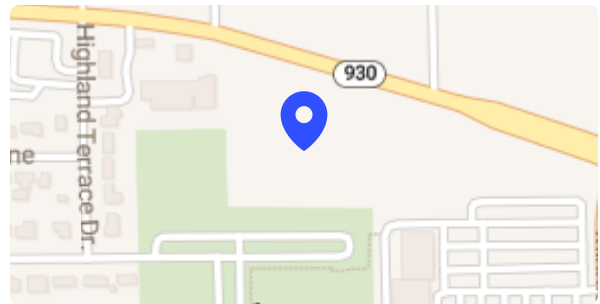
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## Visitation


 **Saturday**, May 21, 2016

 9:30 AM - 11:00 AM ET


 **St. James Lutheran Church**  
1720 St. Rd. 930 E., New Haven IN 46774

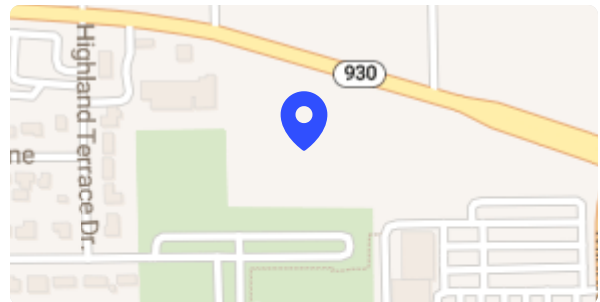


## Service


 **Saturday**, May 21, 2016

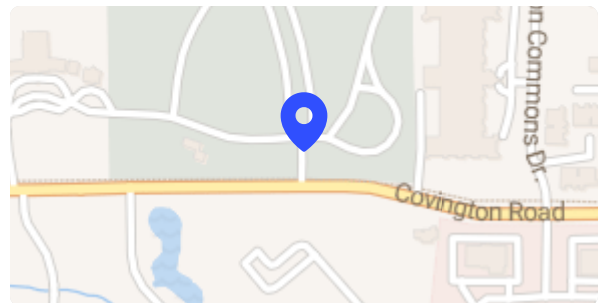
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## Cemetery Details

 **Greenlawn Memorial Park**  
6600 Covington Rd., Fort Wayne IN 46804





# Tribute Wall

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**Harper's Community Funeral Home** shared a **Tribute Video**.



May 18 at 7:48 AM



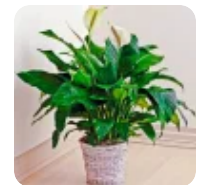
**Melissa Hadaway** posted:

Aunt Marilyn was always laughing and always happy it seemed. I remember many times when we would drive around in her big black car, my mom who was her sister Martha, her sister Catherine and me, we had a blast in Fort Wayne. I remember one funny time she was visiting us down in Atlanta and we all went out to eat at an Italian restaurant and aunt Marilyn left a stick of gum for a tip! it was funny at how horrified Aunt Catherine was!

May 21 at 11:32 AM



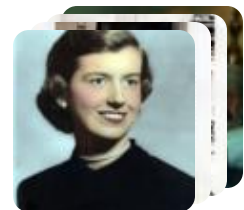
**Anonymous** sent a Floor Plant for Sympathy to the Headford family.



May 19 at 5:41 AM



**Harper's Community Funeral Home** shared an album called **LifeTributes**.



May 17 at 5:55 AM



**Fr. Roger Vaughn** posted:

I met Marilyn when her oldest daughter married my brother. I was the priest at the wedding, and our two families have been interconnected ever since. My last visit with Marilyn was during a trip to Troy OH. She was so proud of her home and insisted I come over for a visit. She made me feel at home. That is what family is all about, being at home. May she now enter into the home prepared for her since before the creation of the world. Rest in peace, Marilyn. Be with God and those family members who have gone before you. You are loved and will be missed by our combined family.

May 17 at 4:44 PM



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**Ray & Grace Jones** posted:

Ray and I are so very sorry for your loss. Marilyn was such a joy to talk to, always very positive and I know for a fact that she loved and cherished her family. She would talk all the time about the family and how very proud she was of them. She will be very much missed by all who knew her. Her love for her God was also very empowering, she never gave up and would always remind me that we are never guaranteed tomorrow, we live for the day that God gave us. I will always remember her wisdom and her and our chats. God's blessings to you all, again, we are very sorry for your loss. Ray & Grace Jones  
PS If there is anything we can do to help, please let us know

May 17 at 4:33 PM



**Anonymous** sent a Springtime Wishes to the Headford family.



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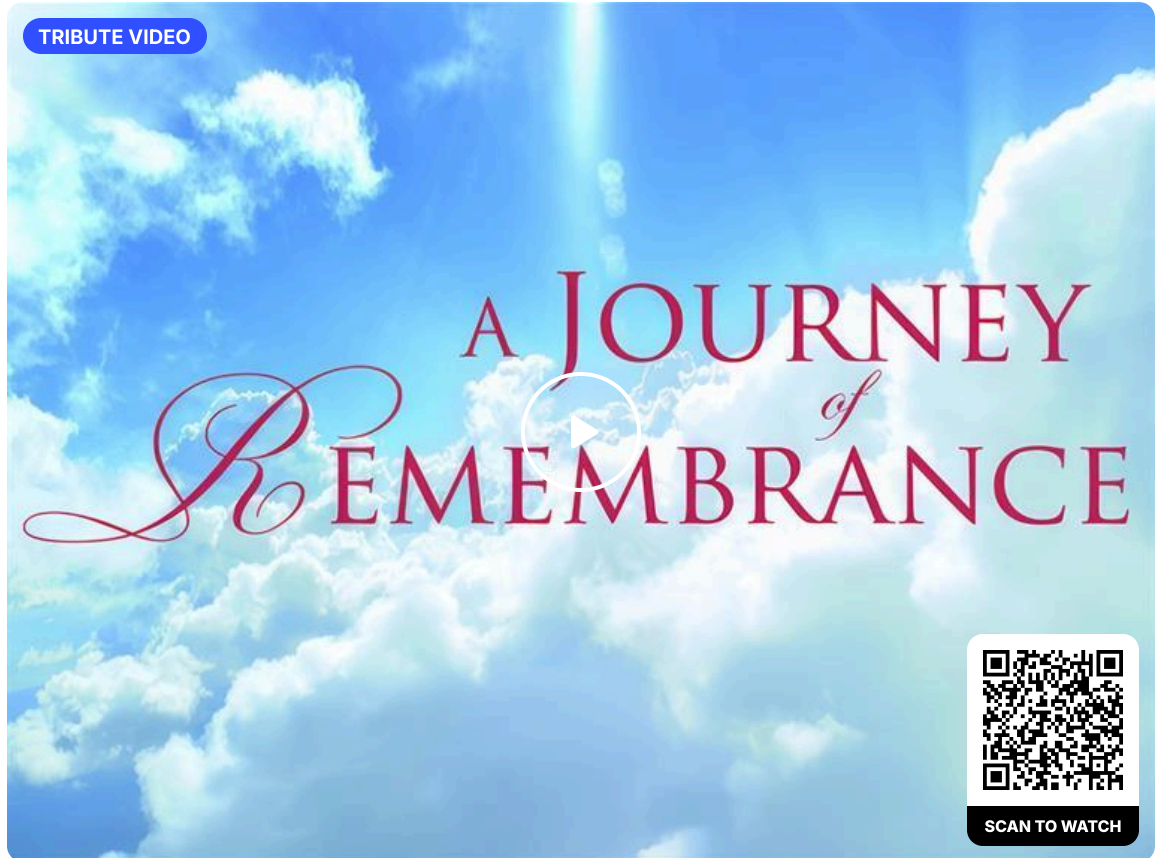
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**MV** **Marilyn Vaughn** May 25 at 6:43 PM  
 Finally got a minute to myself to watch. I love & miss you mom. I know your finally happy again.

**AN** **Angie** May 21 at 2:49 PM  
 Beautiful video! Love you so much Aunt Marilyn!

**MH** **Melissa Hadaway** May 21 at 12:05 PM  
 Wow! Awesome pictures, so many I have not seen, you guys did a great job!

**JO** **Jo** May 19 at 4:32 PM  
 These are wonderful precious pictures.... Aunt Marilyn will be greatly missed.



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**Harper's Community Funeral Home** shared 265 photos to the **LifeTributes** album.

May 18 at 7:27 AM



**Marilyn Vaughn** May 25 at 6:55 PM

Mom & Josh at my house on Lincoln. Joe or Jamie's after wedding. Party on the porch!



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*Marilyn & Playmates*





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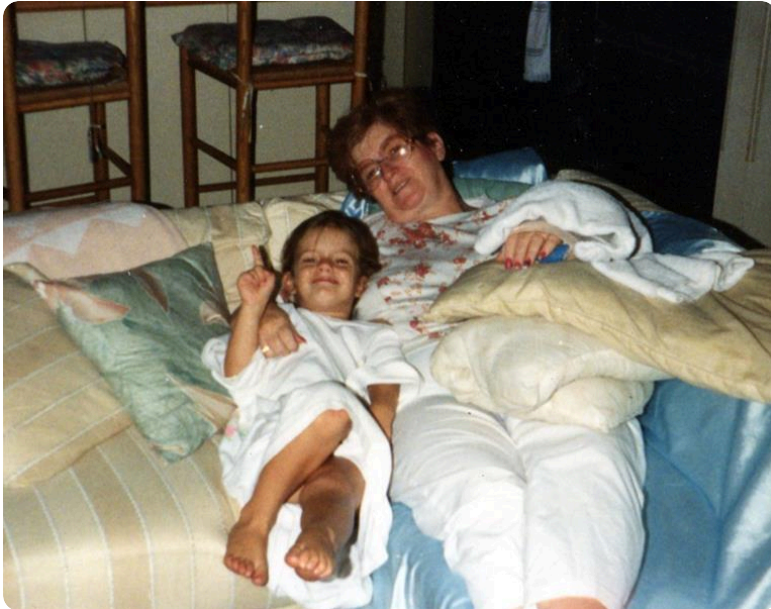
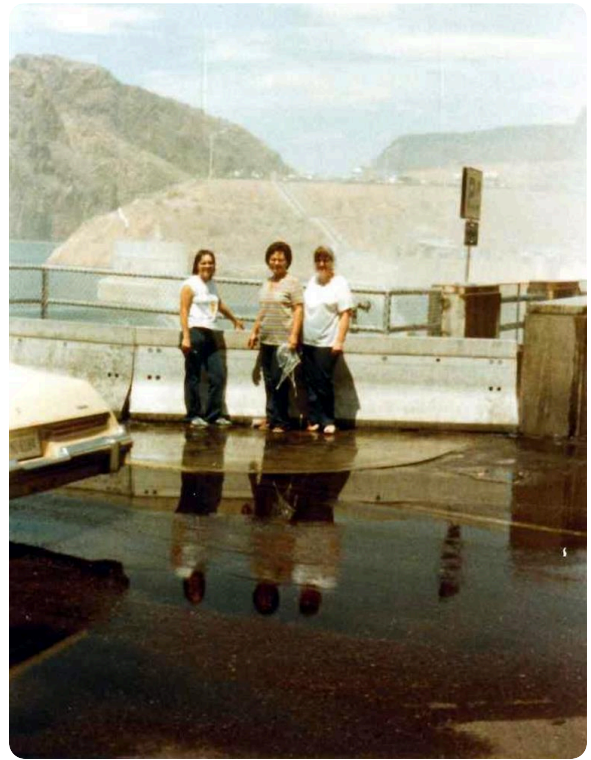




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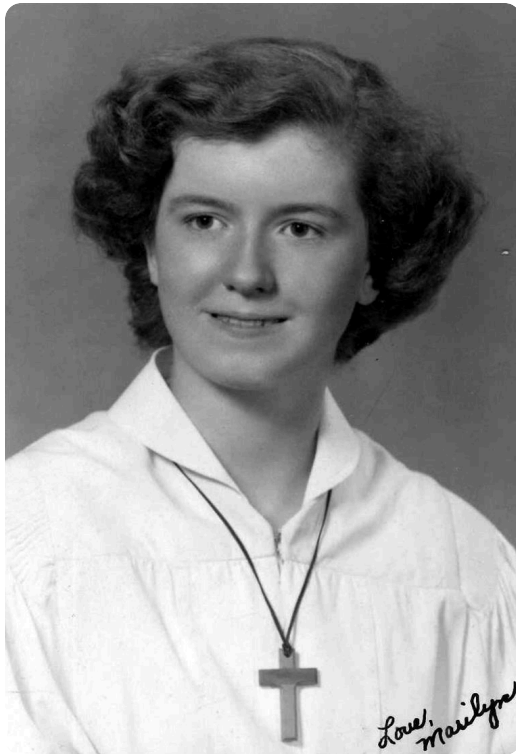




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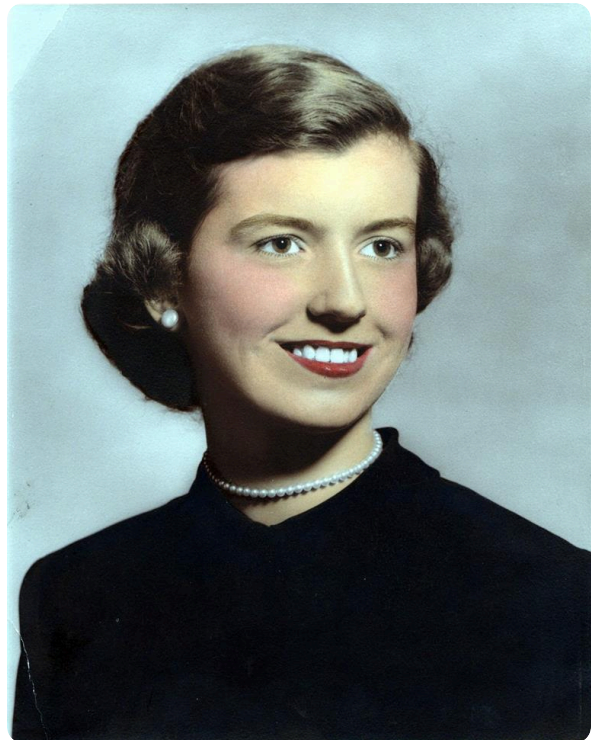
*Marilyn*



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*This was taken of me and  
Lester in front of our  
old apartment we  
used to live in. Harold  
bought me a corsage of carnation*





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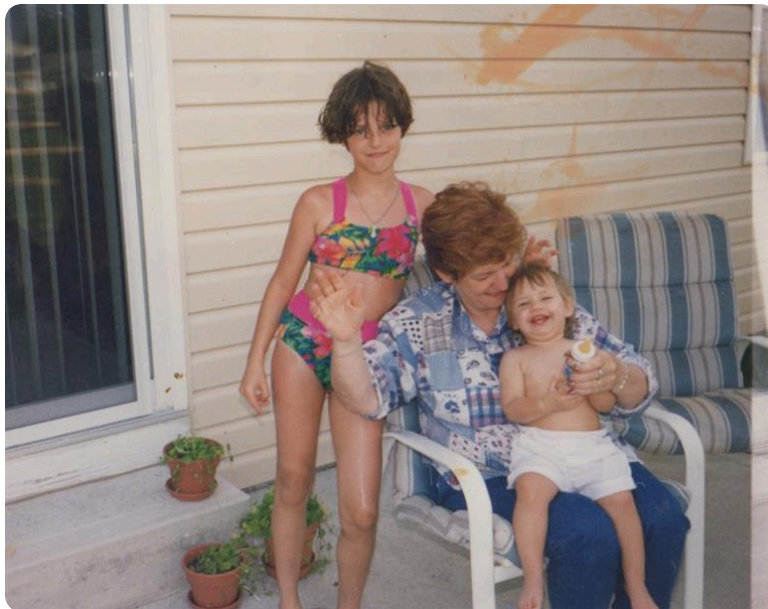




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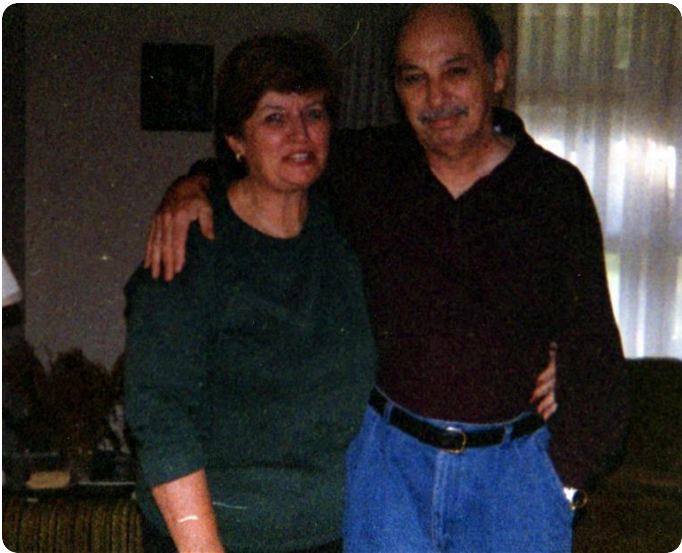




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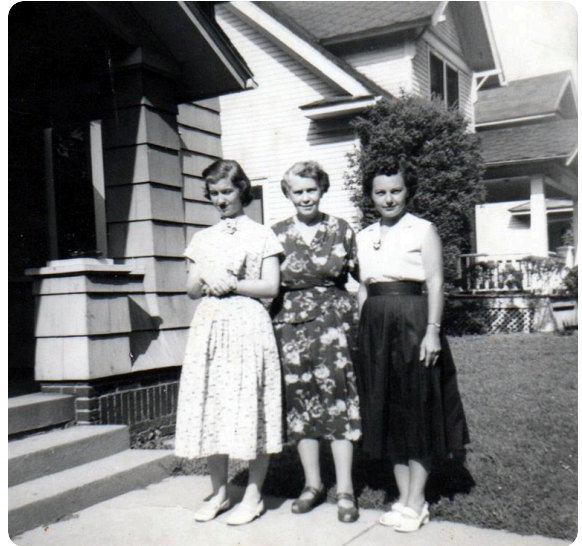




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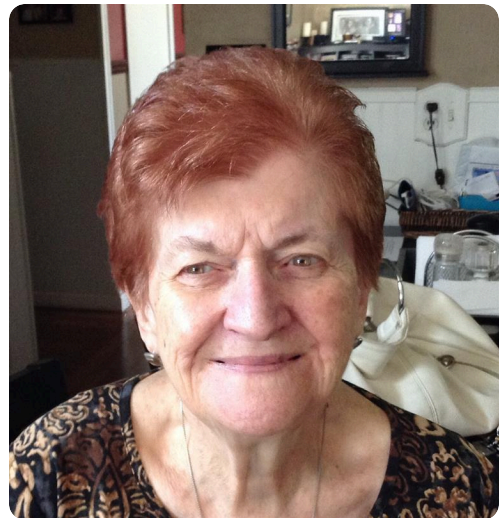




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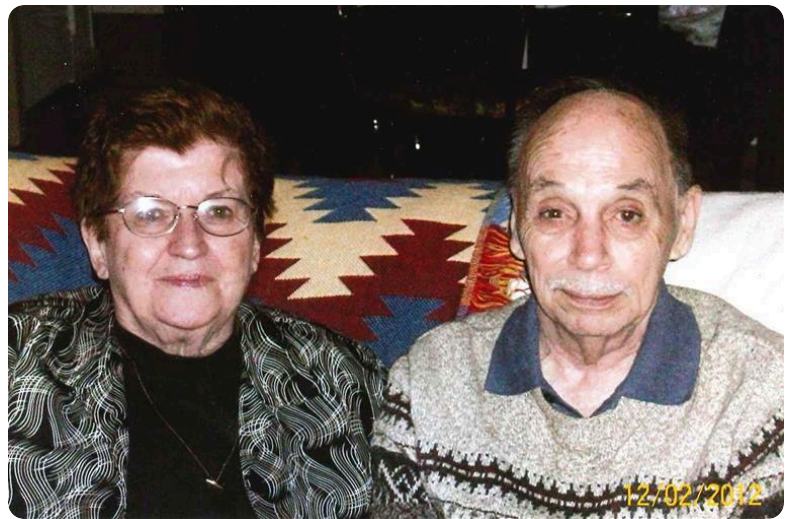




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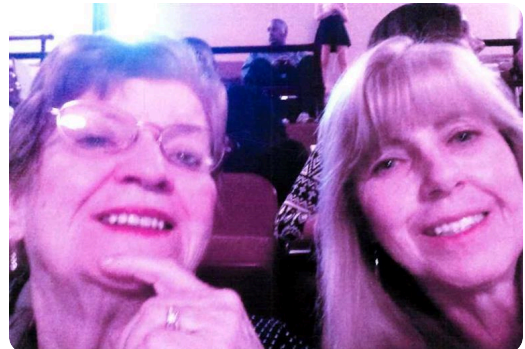
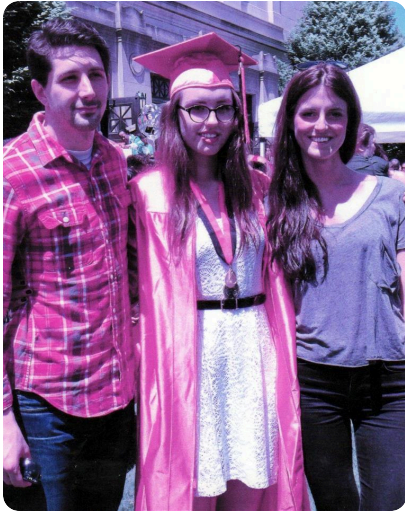




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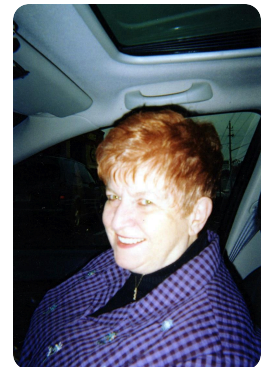
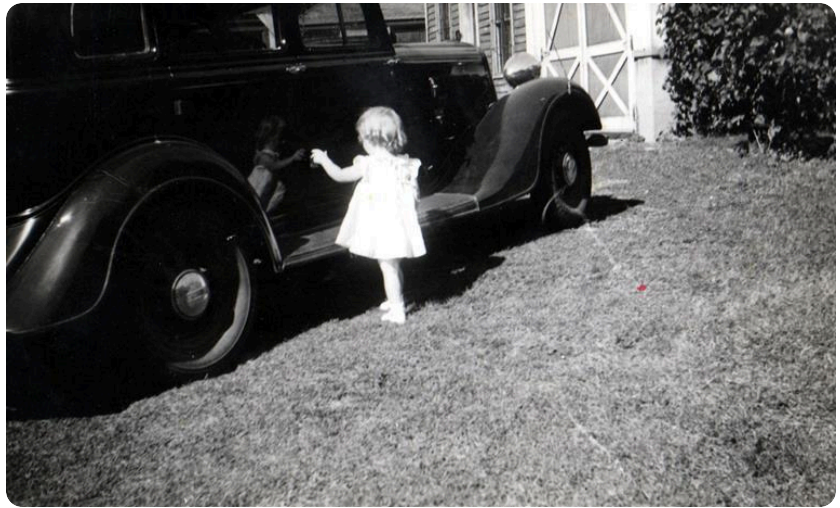




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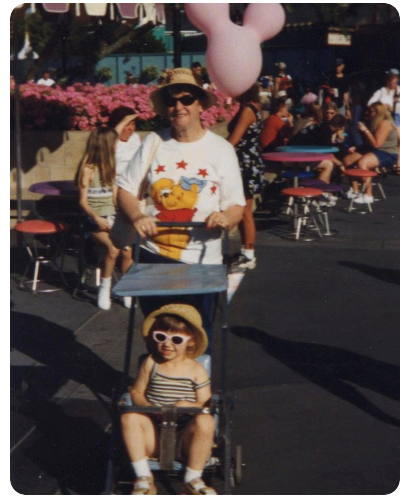




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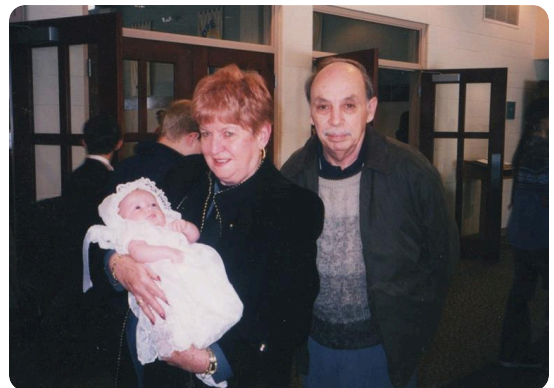
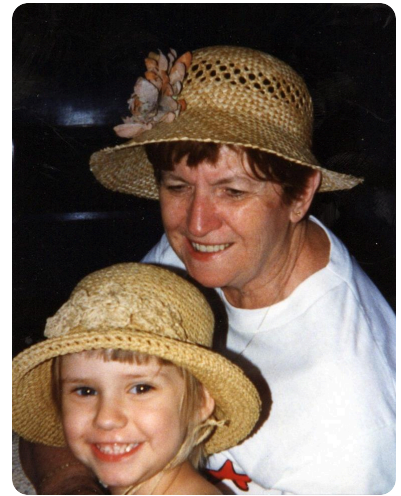




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*Handwritten note:*  
This is the house  
I lived in for  
many years.  
I wish to give it  
to the church for  
a memorial service of devotion.





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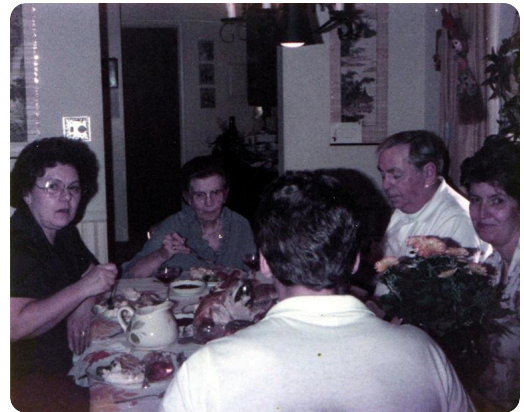




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