



Martha L. Soper

August 25, 1925 - November 3, 2018

of Pittsfield Township, MI passed away peacefully in her home on Saturday, November 3, at the age of 93 years. Martha was a school secretary for the Ann Arbor Public Schools for many years, serving at both Carpenter Elementary and Mitchell Elementary at different times. She was also a dedicated volunteer for Motor Meals (now Meals on Wheels), she delivered hot meals to homebound folks for well over 25 years. She was proud and happy to have lived in the same home for 63 years, which was built by her husband and his friends with their own hands in 1955. Her love of gardening, both flowers and vegetables, was one of her favorite hobbies and she took great pride in her talent for it. She was born on August 25, 1925 in Springfield, OH, to Carl and Netta (Bonen) Rehl. On March 29, 1946, she married the love of her life, Dale H. Soper of Flint, MI. He preceded her into heaven on May 26, 1992. She is survived by their two sons: Douglas E. Soper of Saline, MI and Brian C. Soper of Saline, MI; and one grandson, Andrew W. Soper. Martha requested that, in lieu of flowers, donations be made to Meals on Wheels to support their fine work. Envelopes will be available at the funeral on Saturday or contributions can be made online at www.med.umich.edu/aamealsonwheels .

Events

NOV **Visitation** 03:00PM - 05:00PM

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Liberty Road Chapel

3767 W. Liberty Road, Ann Arbor, MI, US, 48103

NOV **Funeral Service** 05:00PM

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Comments



“ I have so many memories of Martha. I always loved her response whenever I called & said I made soup or lasagna or whatever, would you like some? She would always respond “Well that would be nice”. We were out in her backyard this summer, during the day, just visiting when a skunk came walking along her fence line. Needless to say, we stood very still. We watched for about 20 minutes watching the momma skunk carry 5 babies over to a new location. Every night it was habit for me to look over & see her living room light on. She was a night owl. Now the light will be off. I will miss you, neighbor.

denise ralph - November 09, 2018 at 04:13 PM



“ Grew up with Brian and spend many hours at the Sopers house. One of the memories that strikes me is that as our group played in the summer moving around the neighborhood, when it got lunch time, which ever house we were at fed us lunch. Martha would bring out sandwiches and often Kool-Aid. We would eat then get on with our fun. If there was some big master plan among the mothers, it was not obvious to me. Some years the Sopers had an ice rink in the back year we could skate on. I remember our parents playing cards while we had fun. One memorable evening, a wiffleball went crashing through the kitchen window and into the card game. Good thing Martha and Gerry were there to save us from certain harm.

Our sympathy to Brian and Doug.

Warren & Maxine Brown

Warren & Maxine Brown - November 09, 2018 at 10:28 AM



“ Duane Brown purchased the Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum for the family of Martha L. Soper.



Duane Brown - November 08, 2018 at 10:23 PM



“ The Sopers were neighbors and friends for all of my early years. I remember playing with Doug as a child and sometimes hoping that Martha didn't see what we were doing in “The Shack” behind their house (on the property where George and Denise Ralph now live.) Many evenings of our parents playing cards together when our brothers, Brian and Warren amused themselves while Doug and I did the same. When I moved to San Francisco 51 years ago I didn't see the Sopers as often, but most Christmases I'd stop and say hello. Martha and I continued to exchange Christmas cards, and I always looked forward to her notes. I think she was the last of our neighborhood moms. Many fond memories! My heartfelt condolences to Doug and Brian. I have many fond memories.

Duane Brown - November 08, 2018 at 09:18 PM



“ I was honored and blessed to have known Martha and have fond memories of her and her partner Mary Ellen faithfully and cheerfully coming in on Wednesdays to deliver meals to the folks on Motor Meals (Meals on Wheels) route 3. My condolences to the family.

Joan Miller

Joan Miller - November 08, 2018 at 09:17 AM



“ Martha was a wonderful, caring person. She was a very important part of my life, first as my Mother-in law, then as a special friend. I will miss her very much.

Jan Lee - November 08, 2018 at 07:16 AM



“ I am so sorry for your loss. Martha was a good friend and I will be missing her. Martha and I went to circle at West Side Methodist Church and Arbor Ann's together. I was impressed by her diligent work with meals on wheels. She possessed a giving spirit

Betty Reynolds



Kris Carlson - November 07, 2018 at 03:17 PM



“ Doug and Brian, as Sharon said we have lost another Carpenter School Mom but more importantly Denise and I have lost a great neighbor who we have had the honor of living behind for over 40 years. It was always great to see her spending hours in her garden or just sitting out back breaking up tree branches.

George and Denise Ralph - November 07, 2018 at 03:11 PM



“ Doug & Brian, so very sorry for the loss of your wonderful, delightful mother. She has joined so many "Carpenter" School area wonderful mothers & fathers. Hadn't seen her in years but remember fondly and always enjoyed hearing from my brother George & his wife Denise how Martha was still working in her garden. May God see you through this difficult time.



Sharon Ralph Gingras - November 06, 2018 at 02:29 PM