



## Catherine Essenmacher

March 22, 1928 - February 15, 2018

CATHERINE ESSENMACHER, age 89 of Harbor Beach, passed away Thursday, February 15, 2018 at Harbor Beach Community Hospital. She was born on March 22, 1928 to the late Clarence & Margaret (Weber) Messing. Catherine and Howard Essenmacher were united in marriage on September 3, 1947 in Ruth. He preceded her in death on August 4, 2003. Catherine was a member of Our Lady of Lake Huron Catholic Church and served on the Altar Society for many years. Her hobbies were sewing and quilting. She made over 200 quilts and 800 weaved rugs. She loved listening and dancing to polka music, she even taught herself to play the piano and accordion. She loved playing cards and was involved in many euchre clubs over the years. She had a love of flowers with a talent for arranging the perfect bouquet. Her cooking and baking were second to none, and no one ever left her house hungry. Her life revolved around her children, grandchildren, and great grandchildren, never forgetting a birthday. She is survived by her children: Ernest (Debbie) Essenmacher of Minden City, Jane (Gary) Suida of Harbor Beach, Leo Essenmacher of Harbor Beach, Monica Booms of Harbor Beach, Barbara (Fred) Andrich of Bad Axe, Mary (Bernie) Sweeney of Harbor Beach, Colette (Mark) Neumann of Zeeland, Julie (Brian) Ruhl of Harbor Beach, 33 grandchildren, 65 great grandchildren, 12 great step grandchildren, her brothers: Joseph (Marion) Messing, Arnold Messing, Robert (Judy) Messing, and her brother and sisters-in-law: Verna Wood, David Krueger, Janice Erdman and Joyce Messing.

Catherine was preceded in death by an infant son Joseph, great grandson Samuel Sweeney, son-in-law Mark Booms, brother Michael Messing, sisters: Marie Messing and Lucy Boggs, brother-in-law: David Boggs, sister-in-law Mary Messing, David (Marian) Essenmacher, Arthur (Agnes) Essenmacher, Donald Essenmacher, Burton Wood, Bernard (Eleanor) Geiger, and Edna Krueger.

Funeral mass for Catherine will be Monday, February 19, 2018 at 11:00 am at Our Lady of Lake Huron Catholic Church, of the Holy Name of Mary Parish, with Fr. George Amos officiating. Burial will follow in the OLLH church cemetery. Visitation for Catherine will be on Sunday, from 2-8pm at the Ramsey Funeral Home of Harbor Beach. Visitation on Monday will be at the church beginning at 10 am until time of services at 11 am. A Parish Vigil Service will take place on Sunday at 7pm at the funeral home. Memories can be shared at [www.RamseyFH.com](http://www.RamseyFH.com)

# Cemetery Details

## OLLH Church Cemetery

Harbor Beach, MI 48441

# Previous Events

## Visitation

FEB 18. 2:00 PM - 8:00 PM (ET)

Ramsey Funeral Home, Inc  
425 State St  
Harbor Beach, MI 48441  
(989) 479-3407  
<https://www.ramseyfh.com>

## Visitation

FEB 19. 10:00 AM - 11:00 AM (ET)

Our lady of Lake Huron Catholic Church  
Harbor Beach, MI 48441

## Mass

FEB 19. 11:00 AM (ET)

Our lady of Lake Huron Catholic Church  
Harbor Beach, MI 48441

# Tribute Wall



“ *Catherine Essenmacher*

October 04, 2023 at 01:24 PM



“ *"We are blessed to have gotten to know your mother. She was truly a special lady. Our condolences go out to you and your family."  
Sincerely, Glenn and Lisa Hall*



**Lisa Hall** - February 19, 2018 at 12:13 PM



“ *Mary Lou Pulaskey sent a virtual gift in memory of Catherine Essenmacher*



**Mary Lou Pulaskey** - February 18, 2018 at 10:11 PM



*Thinking of Kate' s Family and offering my Prayers to you all.*

**Mary Lou Pulaskey** - February 18, 2018 at 10:14 PM



*Joe, So sorry hear about your sister.prayers för Yours family, Mary Lou*

**Mary Lou Pulaskey** - February 19, 2018 at 04:37 AM

JM

“ I was so sorry to hear of Kate’s death. What a tremendous loss this will be for her wonderful family and friends. It was always so much fun to visit Kate and Howard. They always made us feel so special. Kate was such a joy to be around She always had a smile and lots of hugs to give. Kate was so proud of her beautiful family. I can only imagine the joyous reunion in heaven with Howard, her parents and her sisters & brother. I was blest to be a part of this wonderful family. Joyce Messing

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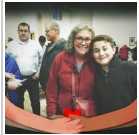
**Joyce Messing** - February 18, 2018 at 12:33 PM

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“ We extend our sincere condolences to the family. May the memories always warm your hearts. God Bless you at this difficult time. She was one special lady, You are in our thoughts and Prayers.  
May she Rest in Peace.  
God Bless,  
Paul and Sheila Hagedon

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**Sheila Hagedon** - February 16, 2018 at 07:52 PM



“ Our sincere sympathy to Kate's family. She was a lovely person.  
Dick and Linda Kirsch

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**Lindaleenda Kirsch** - February 16, 2018 at 02:44 PM

JB

“ Jason, Dawn, Maggie & Violet Boggs purchased the *Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum* for the family of Catherine Essenmacher.



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**Jason, Dawn, Maggie & Violet Boggs** - February 16, 2018 at 11:50 AM



“ *Dreams From the Heart Bouquet* was purchased for the family of Catherine Essenmacher.



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February 16, 2018 at 11:44 AM

DC

“ *Our sincere sympathy to Catherine's family.. May God bless you during this difficult time.*

*Jim and Del Czewski*

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**Delphine Czewski** - February 16, 2018 at 11:10 AM

PG

“ *Sorry for your loss. Cherish all your special memories of her. She was always so gracious and friendly. I am sure God has welcomed her into the kingdom. Our thoughts and prayers are with your family.*

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**Paul and Jeanette Ginther** - February 16, 2018 at 09:44 AM



“ *Florist Choice Bouquet was purchased for the family of Catherine Essenmacher.*



February 16, 2018 at 09:05 AM



“ *Great Aunt Catherine will be missed. I always looked forward to seeing her at family reunions. I will see you again with open arms. Rest In Peace*



**Julie Essenmacher** - February 15, 2018 at 11:45 PM



“ *Beautiful in Blue was purchased for the family of Catherine Essenmacher.*



February 15, 2018 at 03:21 PM



“ *Praying for Kates Family especially my dear friend Julie . God Bless this family and comfort them during their loss. 🙏*



**JoAnn-John Sutton** - February 15, 2018 at 01:14 PM