

NORTONVILLE NEWS

"Lasting Characteristics Of Mom"

**"Charm is deceitful and beauty is passing,
but a woman who fears the LORD,
she shall be praised" (Proverbs 31:30).**

On Mother's Day, many of you wrote down what your mom did well. It is interesting that though your mom may have been a charming person or possessed physical beauty, those things weren't the first thing you remember about your mom. And, according to God's Word, charm and beauty aren't the most important thing (in contrast to what the Kardashians might want us to think). Proverbs 31:30 reminds us that the fear the LORD is the best motivation in helping a woman be a blessing to her family and the community.

Thank you for sharing what mom meant to you. You'll see in the article below how others from Nortonville Chapel also remembered their mom. We hope you enjoy and learn from the tributes given by others.

Some of you wrote about how she cared for your physical needs. How she "always had meals together, even if we had games or practice" (Bridget Gazlay). "She gives great help, she provides money for education for all kids in my family, and she loves the Lord a lot" (Russell Hildebrandt). Someone wrote "my mom was a great cook, and always made sure we were well taken care of". Another said "my mom was a wonderful cook, she wanted to please her family through food. She also took me everywhere she went and I loved to be with her." Someone else wrote that she would "take care of her kids in all ways! She was the best mom ever!" Another wrote how "all through grade school, my mom was always there for us when we got home." She "showed a great sense of humor. And a great cook!" (Pam Walker).

Stay Connected

Sunday

10:45 am Sunday morning

6:00 pm Sunday night

6:00 pm Sunday Youth Group

Wednesday

Prayer Meeting at 6:30 pm

If you have internet and would like to watch our Sunday morning service, search for Nortonville Gospel Chapel on **Facebook** or **YouTube**. You can also see the video and discover more resources on our website:

www.nortonvillechapel.info
nortonvillechapel.org

No Internet? Simply call
616-846-7309 at 10:45 am
on Sunday and you can listen to
the whole morning service.

Some of you wrote about how she loved her children. "She was always considerate of others, had a great sense of family, and loved her children" (Nancy Marshall). How she "loved us unconditionally" and would "love you forever!" (Susan Zwart). "She was 'Mom' to the whole community. Everyone hung out at our house" (Dee Dufford). "Love and security, confidence. She raised us in the church" someone wrote. "She made me feel love and was a friend as well as a mother through the years" (Susan Dews). She would "love me and hug me" (Karen). Some wrote about their mother's patience and lovingkindness. How she would "tolerate me" (Dewey). She also drank "a lot of coffee (The whole pot!)" (Luke Ambrose). She showed her love even when doing chores. "My mom would sing with me while we washed and dried dishes. She taught me to yodel" (Bonnie Buckley). And one of you wrote "My mother was an incredible woman and probably the hardest working woman I've ever known! She raised seven children and kept a clean house. She made food for friends and served at her church. She loved to give gifts to her children and grandchildren. She was generous and kind. She made certain to always leave the house with lipstick on. My mom was beautiful and always had a beautiful smile. I always knew my mom loved me. I miss her but I'm thankful God gave her to me for 50 years."

A few of you wrote about the lessons that your mother's taught you. One of you wrote that she "taught me to work diligently!" And that "when you start something, finish it." "Taught me manners, and to love reading." She "made sure I had a good education in case I needed to support myself someday" (Mary VanDyke). Another learned "be sure your sins will find you out." One wrote how she "showed me how to use her quick wit to make it through difficulties." "She helped me to think that I could do whatever I set my mind to" (Pastor Joe).

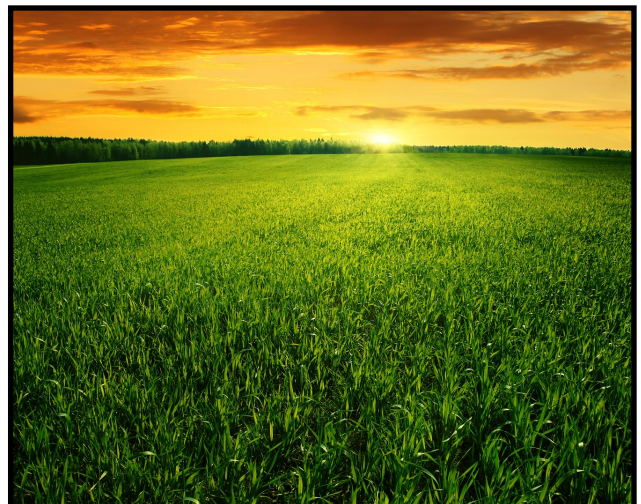
And many of you wrote about her faith in the Lord. "She lead me to the Lord" (Tom Collins). Jack described her as "serving". Another wrote "She has taught me the ways of the Lord. She has taught me what it means to be a proverbs 31 woman. She is always there for me and helping and teaching." "She 'mothered' seven kids! We had a wonderful upbringing! Always attended Nortonville any time the doors opened, and choir practice, Bible School, etc." (Dawn King). She "brought us to church and taught us about God" (Beth Epplett). "Thank my mother, Montine and her mom, my grandma Ruby, for their love and Christian guidance" (Robbie Snider). "She lived her faith and preserved through hardships. Was a great example of a woman of faith" (Sue Vandenberg). "Lived for the Lord, family, and friendships. She had a great gift for giving, love, laughter, and food" (Pat Blake). One of you wrote "I am thankful for my mom's spiritual leadership with her Godly life and example."

Semi-annual Meeting

May 18th, 7:00 pm

We will be updating our ministries, and will vote on:

- 1) Increase missionary support of the Arnolds by \$50 more per month**
- 2) Giving missionary support to the Witters of \$150 per month**
- 3) Change Sunday service time this summer to 10:00 am**



2022 Directory Update

We are updating our church directory! Please email us at office@nortonvillechapel.org with any recent pictures, phone, address, or email changes you would like us to include in the updated directory. Our church phone number is 616-842-4285 if you have any questions.

May Birthdays



May 2
Vickie Buckner



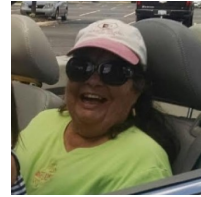
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Dave Suchecki



May 3
Lynne Hammond



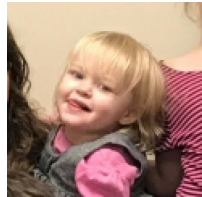
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Jean Larr



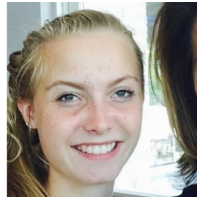
May 5
Mary Ann Willoughby



May 7
Ken Brondyke



May 17
Sarah Ambrose



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Madison Pike



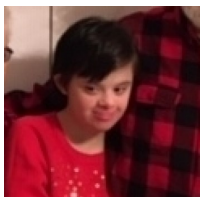
May 21
Bridget Gazlay



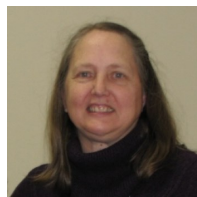
May 23
Linda Stellema



May 24
Barb Bar



May 24
Bailey Joy



May 29
Sue Vandenberg



May 30
Ruth Vandenberg



May 31
Donna Decan-Pranger

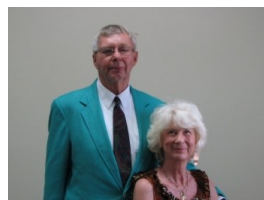
May Anniversaries



May 7
Rob and Nancy Marshall



May 19
Randy and Kris Arnson



May 29
Reg and Marilee Stroebe



May 31
Pete and Dottie Pellegrom

June 5-9th

6:30-8:00 pm

Outdoor fun for all ages!!!!

FAMILY

VBS

NORTONVILLE GOSPEL CHAPEL

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ALL AGES ARE WELCOME



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SNACKS PROVIDED**

**OUTSIDE WITH YOUR FAMILY
BRING YOUR OWN CHAIR**

Prayer and Praises Wednesday, May 11, 2022

Praises to God:

Answers to prayer for custody of Berrin.

Todd Witters meeting with the Superintendent of Schools went well.

Last week's Prayer Week went well.

Pray for...

President Biden, World Leaders, President Putin, President Zelensky, Governor Whitmer.

Our Supreme Court Justices: John Roberts, Clarence Thomas, Stephen Breyer, Samuel Alito, Sonia Sotomayor, Elana Kagan, Neil Gorsuch, Brett Kavanaugh, Amy Coney Barrett

Board Member of the Week: Elder – Israel Hildebrandt

Shut-in of the Week: Barb Kilbry

Student of the Week: Mason Byron

Volunteer of the Week: Joe Hawkey

Missionary of the Week: Anna Sytsma (CEF-Kent & Ottawa Counties)

Prayer request:

Linda Ponce's family as she has passed away, funeral is this Friday.

Jim Dufford who has recently learned of prostate cancer diagnosis.

Sam Gnuck, work related acquaintance who needs prayer for severe cancer diagnosis.

Elizabeth VandenBerg for Health issues related to a fall.

Lois Noell who has recently had eye surgery and is recuperating.

Chris, Tasha Ziegler's boyfriend, has a heart problem

Eric Walker, Dorothy Walker's son.

Emily Hildebrandt is doing well, and still recovering from surgery.

Anna Furbush, daughter of Melissa Dalman, who is struggling emotionally.

Barb Kilbry had surgery today and is still recovering.

Dawn Vink is looking for a new job.

Lois Noell who recently had eye surgery.

Those who have recently lost their loved ones.

Pray that the Lord would open doors for ministry opportunities for our church, especially in nursing facilities.

Pray for our next generation that Pastor Josh and our young people will be dedicated to Christ, and for spiritual growth. Ben; Aven; Mason; Madison; Robert; Mackenzie; Olivia; Clayton; Collin. Russell; Adelina; Charley; Anna; Margaret; Josh; Colton.

Emily Ambrose' grandmother is struggling with assurance of salvation.

Pray for victory over alcohol, drugs, and other addictions: Craig, Larry, Tim, Brad, Darren, John, Carol, Brianna, Jeff

Those needing help & healing with health issues: Marilee Stroebe, Carla Bartow, Melissa Dalman, Paul Snyder, Bridget Gazlay, Vicki Snyder, Hammond's daughter Dana, Miranda Lunt, Sam and Lynne Hammond, Laurie Snyder, Chuck and Cindy Johnson, Mike Feistel, Pat Dawes, Linda Dood.

Those with cancer: Tarah, Belinda Klein (Linda Vink's friend), Norm Kaufman, Marge (Dianne Lunt), Kelly Vipond, Bob & Diane Brondyke, (Ken Brondyke and Cheri Young's cousins), and Bob Lunt (Greg's brother, needs Christ), Walt Curtis, Sam Gnuck

In need of the Lord: Collette, Kevin O'Neill (has cancer), Gary (Sue Brooks' nephew), Rod and Jaqueline (Dorothy Walker), Justin White, John and Carol Marrano, David and Catherine, Nina, David, Joe Moran and Ben, Brian and Leanna McMahon (friends/relatives of the O'Neill's), Bonnie Schultz' 3 sons, Al Gazlay, Brad Coon, Jerry Pellegrom, Renan, First, Jim, Mike & Amy (Anna's Dad & Stepmom), Sawyer (Robbie Snider), Mark Dean (Maureen Sherman), Rob Marshall Jr., Ann (Georgia Kamphorst's sister-in-law), Maria, Abigail, Erin, Kevin, Mary, Jody (Karen Huggins' sister), Becky, John (Charlene Easey), Pam & Jean (Dottie), Ashley, Justin, Dale (Bev Jackson's son)

Missionary prayers and praises:

Caleb and Emily Arnold (Ethnos 360): We made it back to Chihuahua from BG with no problems and have had a good couple week figuring out our next steps. Pray that God would soften the hearts of the Tepehuan people to the message of God!

Rev. Dave and Dolores Bauer (BRM-Illinois): BRM has been helping pastor's put resume's together, keeping them simple yet complete. A church leader wanted some information on a church licensing a person to preach.

Camp Ao-Wa-Kiya (Shelby, MI): Camp Ao-Wa-Kiya and Stony Lake retreat center exist together as a Christian youth camp and retreat center for all ages. Contact us at Ao-Wa-Kiya.org to volunteer and please pray for vital staff needs for 2022.

Nicole Condra (SWMI-Georgia): Covid Restrictions are gone. Our church is Ministering to people in the city of Timisoara, West of Romania, with places to stay, sack lunches and tracts to send to the border.

Reed & Donna Condra (SWMI-Georgia): Specializing in deaf ministry. Thank you for praying for us and for encouraging us much in 2021. Donna and I are so thankful to be healthy again and to be enjoying life, family, and Christmas.

John & Dee Cook (IM-Colorado): We had our 18th Graduation here at Grace Bible College on April 1. Grace Bible College now has a long-anticipated Accreditation Status! Future plans include developing the school into a Master's level educational institution and campus expansion.

Daniel & Karen DeVerna (BMW-Japan): We have enjoyed connecting with people in our neighborhood recently and it has been good to strengthen relationships at the church plants.

Love in Action (Tri-Cities): We appreciate your generosity. As we are seeing more and more challenges develop.

Joe & Ursula Morell (BMW-Sweden): Norm is enjoying his sabbatical. Please pray for church planting the next two years.

Mario Audai Shaba (IM Supported Child: Iraq): Mario fled with his family from the Islamic State in 2014 and are still refugees in North Iraq. He lives with his parents and sister. Mario would like to be a teacher, his favorite subject in school is Arabic and he struggles with English classes. See the back of the church for a picture drawn by Mario.

Andy & Michelle Shinabery (East-West Ministries International): The Lord opened up the door for a few of us from East West to go and see the work the Lord is doing. We are working on training and bringing on board more partners for 2022.

Tim & Karol Svoboda (YWAM-San Francisco): Our van was vandalized recently, the catalytic converter cut and stolen. Please pray for funds to take care of the unexpected expenses like this.

Anna Sytsma (CEF-Kent & Ottawa Counties): Pray for Campus Elementary as they began their Good News Club. Pray for the teaching team as they prepare and pray that kids will attend.

Norman & Karen Tober (GEM-Germany): Norman started a sabbatical on January 15th and there have been quite a few other things happening in January and February. We have been with GEM in Germany for almost 18 years and it seems that a short sabbatical time is way overdue. Norman continues to conduct counseling and coaching sessions online each week.