



## Ettamae Chapman

August 30, 1932 - March 17, 2023

Ettamae Chapman, 90, passed away March 17, 2023, in Toledo. She was born August 30, 1932, to Chester and Dorothy Huff in Toledo, OH.

She attended Banner Oak Grade School, Scott High School and graduated from the University of Toledo. She taught at Onsted Community schools for two years before going to Bedford High School, where she taught for 42 years. While at Bedford, she was Class Advisor, National Honor Society Advisor and chaired the North Central Committee, which gained the high school it's North Central accreditation.

In 1988, she became the first woman to be hired as the Assistant Athletic Director under Joe Connelly, a position she held until she retired. She was elected President of the Bedford Education Association, a position she held for five years until her retirement. She is a life member of the Michigan Education Association Retired and the National Education Association Retired. She is a member of the Michigan Association for Retired School personnel and was President of the South Monroe County Chapter. She is a member of the Order of the Eastern Star – May Elliot Chapter #50J – Palestine Chapter. She was inducted into the Bedford High School Hall of Fame in 2001.

Ettamae is survived by her daughter, Linda Chapman Lynn and son, Mark

(Cindy) Chapman; grandchildren, Jessica, Jeremy, Jennifer (John) and Ashley (D'Angelo); great-grandchildren, Melissa, Evan, Xavier, Nautica, Destiny, Neveah, Jeremy, Amora, D'Angelo, Wyatt, Charlotte and Alayah; great great-grandchild, Braxton, Brayden and Landen. She is preceded in death by her parents; granddaughters, Julie and Brandi and great-granddaughter, Melanie.

# Tribute Wall

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“ I believe I knew Ettamae longer than anyone else at Bedford. Miss Huff(Ettamae) was my sophomore English teacher at Onsted in 1954. We had so much fun with her and her, I believe 1951 Jeep stationwagon, going to Lake Michigan on a "field trip" returning and going to the Sky Drive In theater in Adrian to see the movie "Shane". She and her colleague roommate at Onsted we Andree Garcon, who also was a real 'hoot'. They sponsored and chaparoned several hayrides at our farm. Many, many fond memories. It wasn't until 1965 did we meet again when I was hired and moved to the new Bedford H.S. I shall cherish all these memories forever. RIP Ettamae!! David Parker cparcd1@yahoo.com

Charles David Parker - April 18, 2023 at 09:19 AM

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“ Nick and I send our condolences to Etta Mae's family. She was a champion for the teachers in the Bedford Public School district. She represented teachers from hire to retirement. We always appreciated everything she did for us. She was a good friend and colleague. Rest In Peace dear friend 🙏

Nick and Michaleen Karay - April 17, 2023 at 09:30 PM

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“ Etta May was a great women and leader...so knowledgeable in many areas of life. As a co worker at Bedford High I considered her as the crème of the crop. I am thankful for all the advice I got from her over the years we worked together and the friendship we shared.

Jon Jones - April 17, 2023 at 06:47 PM