



Helen Bernice Donley

December 20, 1933 - July 9, 2012

Helen Bernice (Hickey) Donley, of Toledo, passed away July 9, 2012, in her home, of natural causes. She was born in Lima, Ohio on December 20, 1933 and was the only daughter of Robert and Elizabeth Hickey. Bernice attended Lima H.S. and 1 year of college at Miami of Ohio. She also took classes at the University of Toledo for several years. She loved being in an academic environment and enjoyed learning. Bernice had many interests which included reading, music, singing, watching Big Ten sports and the Yankees. Her greatest passion, besides her children, was cooking. Bernice could make gourmet meals easily and all who had the pleasure of experiencing her cooking were never disappointed. She was happiest in the kitchen creating wonderful meals for those she loved. Bernice is survived by son Kevin Donley and fiancé Elizete Savino of Bloomingburg, NY, daughter Megan Donley Tripi of Raleigh, NC and son Patrick Donley and daughter-in-law Laurie Donley of New Philadelphia, OH as well as grandsons Andrew Donley and Roman Tripi and granddaughter Aine Donley; Joseph Hickey of Melvina, Michigan and Robert Hickey of Idaho Friends are invited to visit on Friday July 20, 2012 from 3:00-5:00pm in the Ansberg-West Funeral Home, 3000 Sylvania Ave. In lieu of flowers donations may be made to Toledo Catholic Charities. To send her family online condolences, please visit www.ansberg-west.com.

Tribute Wall

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“ Kevin, Megan and Patrick, Every day I know you will miss your Mom, but I hope every day you will find new grace, strength and insight in the feelings and memories that show she is still with you. Your Mom’s life is your legacy, her love was her gift... and your memories of her are the comfort you'll keep in your heart forever. I remember Aunt Bernie hanging out with my Mom when we were kids “ just like we hang out together now. I’m so glad our Moms knew how important it was to get us together and create tight family bonds! Do you remember how much trouble you all got in when I “eran away? Oh boy “ you really caught the heat from your Mom. So many fond memories¦ I will miss Aunt Bernie dearly. Love, Kath

Kathleen Huneycutt - Houston, TX - February 01, 2018 at 12:00 AM

JJ

“ Family, I loved Bernice very much and you should be proud to have such a strong and loving mother. I looked fondly back on some of my old photos of Bernice and can’t keep from welling up tears for all the great memories we had of her. Robin and I remember speaking with her at the ’09 gathering and were so pleased that she could attend. I was more touched with how good a listener our Aunt Bernie was then and always was. She will always hear you. Bless her soul. Uncle Jimmy

James Donley - jamesdonley@clear.net jamesdonley@clear.net - February 01, 2018 at 12:00 AM

CG

“ We are so sorry for your loss. You are in our prayers during this difficult time. Wish we were there to give you all a hug. Love from CT Caroline, John and Hannah Grace

Caroline Gialluca - February 01, 2018 at 12:00 AM

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“ Kevin, Megan and Patrick I am your cousin, april and would visit you often when you were younger. Aunt Opal and Uncle Don would always take us to visit you. My mother is Phyllis Conway and the sister of your Grandmother, Bette. Growing up we spent a lot of good times with your mom, Bobby and Joey on Lake St. Clair in Fair Haven, MI. I thought your mother was the most beautiful person ever. We would visit all of you and always had a lot of fun. A couple of my memories are: 1. one of the houses you lived in had a sparkly ceiling, I loved it - your mom didn't 2. once we had chicken noodle soup at your house and Kevin called the noodles worms - I thought it was funny 3. Megan, a story your mom told us was that it was so nice to have a daughter - you loved to help her dress up when she was going out for the evening 4. we loved her recipes and still make her Spiced Nuts. Your grandmother, my Aunt Bette, would keep me updated with the progress of all of you. I'm sorry I never contacted you on my own. Please know that all of you have a special place in my heart and I would love to hear from you. april

april conway - ohjuliegirl@aol.com ohjuliegirl@aol.com - February 01, 2018 at 12:00 AM

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“ Bernice, thank you for raising our wonderful son-in-law, Patrick. You will be missed. Larry and Blanche

Blanche and Larry Rogers - February 01, 2018 at 12:00 AM