



## M. Norene McCollam

March 4, 1911 - February 13, 2010

M. Norene McCollam, age 98, passed away peacefully on Saturday, February 13 at the Sunset House. Born to James and Audrey (Doan) Collins, Norene was a lifelong Toledo resident. After graduating from the Ursuline Academy in 1929, she went on to the St. Vincent School of Nursing where she graduated in 1932. While working as a nurse at St. Vincent's, she met her future husband, Dr. Ben R. McCollam Sr. They were married June 29, 1940. Norene spent the following years as a homemaker raising three sons. After her sons were grown, Norene went back to work with Ben Sr. in his private practice in West Toledo. She enjoyed traveling with Mack and spending time with her family and friends. A devoted wife, mother, grandmother, aunt and friend she will be greatly missed by all who knew and loved her. Norene was preceded in death by her husband of 45 years Ben R. Sr. and son Patrick. Surviving are her sons Dr. Ben R. Jr. (Betty) of Ormond Beach, FL; and Michael J (Susan) of Lambertville, MI; daughter-in-law Jane Jilek; five grandchildren; ten great-grandchildren, many nieces and nephews and special friend April Tritschler. Funeral arrangements are pending. Services entrusted to Ansberg-West Funeral Directors. Online condolences may be left at [www.ansberg-west.com](http://www.ansberg-west.com)

# Tribute Wall

HS

“ Please accept my condolences for you on the death of Norene. Molly Gorman and I enjoyed her company often. She was always such a lovely person to talk with.

Helena Louviaux - Sandwichgn@aol.com Sandwichgn@aol.com - February 01, 2018 at 12:00 AM

KM

“ I am very sorry to learn of your Mother's passing. Mother's are irreplaceable. She raised some very fine son's who I am pleased to know.

Kent Matthews - February 01, 2018 at 12:00 AM

BB

“ Ben and Betty: So sorry to hear of your mother's passing. She was blessed with longevity and a wonderful life. Looking forward to seeing you this summer. Barb and Whitey

Barb & Whitey - BKnannlein@aol.com BKnannlein@aol.com - February 01, 2018 at 12:00 AM

JJ

“ Dear Ben and Betty, I am very sorry for your loss. You and your mother are in my prayers. All The Best

John Granata - jgranata@accesstoledo.com jgranata@accesstoledo.com - February 01, 2018 at 12:00 AM

TM

“ We know how much Grams meant to everyone and our prayers are with all of you! She was a very special lady and anyone who ever met her was truly blessed!

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**The Pelz Family - mdpelz@aol.com mdpelz@aol.com** - February 01, 2018 at 12:00 AM

PP

“ Dear McCollam Family, I was surprised to hear of Norene's passing she was a super gal and surrogate Mom for many years at the Darlington House. Mike and I shared many good times as kids growing up especially pestering his older brothers. Norene will be missed by all but be secure in the knowledge that she is finally with Dr. Mack and Family that has gone before her. My very special sympathies to Ben and Mike and God Bless. Patrick Drake Fenton, MI

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**Patrick J. Drake - patrick.drake@att.net patrick.drake@att.net** - February 01, 2018 at 12:00 AM

KK

“ Condolences for my Great Aunt Norene, the Matriach of the family cookie bakes. She will be sorely missed. ;(

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**Kelly M. Gorman - KGorman@bex.net KGorman@bex.net** - February 01, 2018 at 12:00 AM

JJ

“ At this time I Would like to thank my brother in law Mike and sister in law Susan, for all the love and time they shared with mom and making sure she had summer trips in the woods of Michigan. ( family joke) If it had not been for Susan and her daughters there would not have been the good and funny times enjoyed. All my love and thanks to entire McCollam Family. May your hearts be at ease knowing mom had a true loving support system due to you and your children. Love and Healing of your hearts. Jane McCollam Jilek

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**Jane McCollam Jilek** - February 01, 2018 at 12:00 AM