

Catherine Cecile Baker Van Skyhawk

February 12, 1941 ~ August 25, 2025

I am so sorry that you all have suffered this loss. I hope that your faith and your love for each other will give you comfort.

- Thea Brannon

Cathy was such a wonderful person. The last time I saw her was quite a few years ago when she and my mom (Marilyn) came over to Kalamazoo to visit with us! She always kind and caring and I know how much my mom, especially, will miss her! May your memories of her joyfulness always bring smiles.

- Deb Milka

May God bless you and your beautiful family. Thank you for being an inspiration. May peace always remain with you.

- Ryan Irons

I was so saddened to hear of Cathy's passing. It has been a month of losses. I will always remember her kindness & gentle support when we moved into the Ranchettes. And oh my, her sweet rolls were amazing. Cathy & Norm will always have a special memory in my heart.

- Karen McCormick

Dear Van I am shocked and saddened by her passing. Please know that our prayer and thoughts are with you. She was a beautiful lady and the best roomie ever. Love to you Kent and Marcia Christensen

- Marcia Christensen

Van Skyhawks have been our neighbors for almost 20 years. Much love and prayers to you all, Cathy will greatly missed.

- Celest and Todd McGuire

I so enjoyed keeping in touch with Cathy on facebook. She had such a wonderful sense of humor and I loved hearing about her family. Jeneile Tams Class of '59

- Jeneile Tams

I'm so sorry to hear of your mom's passing. The bond you shared was unique and beautiful. My thoughts are with you and your family during this difficult time.

- Pam Boo

I'm so sorry to hear of Cathy's passing. She was such a great example of caring and willingness to help and serve, both for her family and others who needed it. I hope many special memories will be a source of comfort and peace at this time.

- Linda Rehart Williams

I had the great pleasure of enjoying Cathy’s musical talent with the Choir. I loved her smile and love of music. What has been even more precious is the gentle way her and Norm spread warmth and love to me through hugs and soft reassurances. I love them both so much and will miss Cathy a lot. My heart and prayers go out to you, Norm and Tim and the rest of the family.

- Brian Rowe

Stacy, Brett & family - our thoughts and prayers are with you at this time of grief and loss. May your memories be sweet and the time you share with family be comforting during this time. We love you.

- Darin and Natalie Brush

Our family has only known Cathy for that last 6 years but I have felt a great kinship to her and expect I was one of many who felt that way about her. I will miss talking to her and her stories, she lived a wonderful life and a great example to all who knew her. Prayers and love to the Van Skyhawk family, with love the Oxborrow family.

- Heather Oxborrow

She was such a warm and welcoming person and contributed to my wonderful stay in the US. I would have been grateful to see her one more time. My thoughts are with you and your family.

- Luca Schneider

Cathy was a person I loved and admired. She always included me in her plans, whether it was spure of the moment or planned. i always enjoyed Cathy, and hated to see her move.

- Marsha Larson

Sending all our love to you and your family! Please know how much we love Cathy and she has touched so many lives. She will be missed so much!

- Wayne & Maria Whitmarsh