



Jane McKinney

October 30, 1926 - July 20, 2025

Jane McKinney, age 98, passed away peacefully in her home in Holland, Michigan, on Sunday, July 20, 2025.

She is survived by her children and their spouses: Katherine, Mary (Rubin), Tom, Karen (Chris), and Helen (David), and by her grandson, Thomas. She is preceded in death by her husband Harry, her dog Lady, her son John, her parents, her twin John Dennis ("Twino"), and her other five siblings.

Jane graduated from Chickasha High School in Oklahoma where she competed on the girls' tennis team, winning a state championship in doubles. She attended Incarnate Word College in San Antonio, Texas, where she earned her bachelor's degree in English and pursued her love of writing. After college, she was a reporter for the Chickasha Daily Express. In 1949, she married her high school sweetheart, Harry McKinney, and they began their journey together, raising a family. After the family moved to Michigan, she was a reporter for the Towne Courier. She went on to become the Public Relations Director for East Lansing Public Schools, retiring after 17 years. Jane's passion has always been the written word, publishing 9 books, including poetry, family stories, and a children's book.

Jane was a beloved wife, mother, grandmother, daughter, sister, twin, and aunt. She touched the lives of all whom she met. Those who knew her will

always remember her loving smile and warm heart. She was an inspiration to all and will be greatly missed.

A joy-filled celebration of her life will be held at 11:00 am on Saturday, September 6, 2025, at St. Peter's Catholic Church D, 100 St. Peters Dr. Douglas, Michigan, 49406. Lunch will be provided afterward by the Tender Hearts in the church cafeteria.

She will be interred with her husband and their dog, Lady, at Evergreen Cemetery in Lansing, Michigan.

In lieu of flowers, it is requested that donations be made to ReLeaf Michigan, an organization committed to making Michigan healthier one tree at a time at www.releafmichigan.org or by mail to ReLeaf Michigan, 1100 N. Main St., #105, Ann Arbor, MI 48104.

www.langelandsterenberg.com

Cemetery Details

Evergreen Cemetery

Lansing, MI

Previous Events

Memorial Service

SEP 6. 11:00 AM (ET)

St. Peter's Catholic Church
100 St. Peters Dr.
Douglas, MI 49406

Tribute Wall

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“ *Deepest sympathy from a Windmill Island greeter. I met Jane several times when she came to visit with her daughters. Of course you sat on her bench by her tree and not too long ago, went to the top of the windmill. You will forever be in my memories as a smart, loving family who fully lived a rich life.*

Barb Poppe

Barb Poppe - August 31, 2025 at 02:43 PM

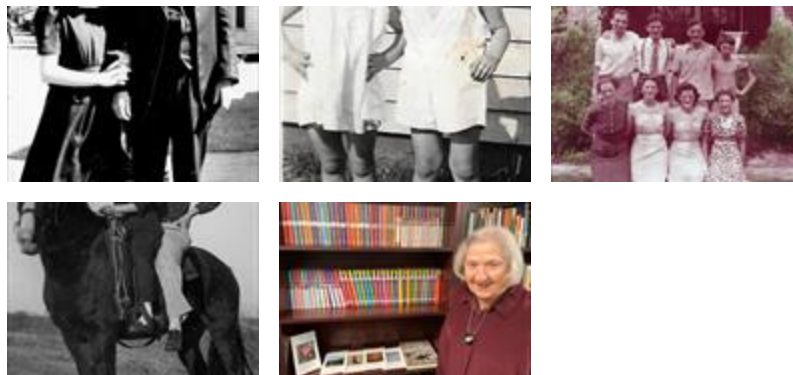
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“ *Jane was such a beautiful and incredible soul. While we only met her briefly, we got to know her through her daughter, Mary and my brother, Rubin. She was an inspiration to women everywhere. Her legacy will live on through the lives of the people she inspired and loved. We are sending much love to the whole family. Our thoughts and prayers are with you. May your mother always be alive in your hearts and minds, through the memories you made and the love you shared with her.*

Lori Sickenberger - August 02, 2025 at 10:00 AM

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“ *5 files added to the album Jane's Life Story*



Helen McKinney - July 28, 2025 at 02:35 PM