



## Linda Mae Cooper

February 18, 1945 - June 21, 2024

Linda Mae Cooper, 79, died peacefully in her home on June 21, 2024.

Linda was born in Holland, Michigan, in 1945 to parents Carl and Lillian Seif. She graduated from Holland High School before pursuing administrative studies at Ferris State University.

Marriage led her to Kalamazoo, Michigan, where she was a dedicated and amazing mom to her children, Jim and Amy Cooper. She took pride in raising her kids and making sure they always had a happy home. She was active in many women's groups and clubs, and made time for tennis, bowling, and arts and crafts. Whether it was painting fire hydrants, making cornhusk dolls, or hosting the neighborhood cookie exchange, Linda was always creative and always had a project in the works.

Ultimately, as a single mom, Linda returned to school and became a certified radiology technician through one of the first graduating classes of the Borgess School of Radiology in Kalamazoo. She spent the bulk of her career at the Borgess ProMed facility in Portage, where she was promoted through the years to supervisor of the radiology department. She took her position very seriously and was committed to ensuring the department functioned at its very best.

Though her career was challenging, Linda never let it detract from her first priority, her kids. She continued to make sure Jim and Amy were happy and cared for, always.

After retiring, Linda returned to Holland and reconnected with local friends and family. She had an active social life, always meeting friends for coffee, seeking adventures with her sister, or going on her weekly antiquing outings. Her projects continued, and there was always a treasure to discover, bring home, restore, and bring new life to. She was able to turn beat-up, disregarded furniture that no one wanted, into adorable creations that suddenly everyone wanted. Linda's talent and artistry always found a way to come out.

In recent years, heart troubles made projects more challenging, but they never slowed her down. Days before her passing, she had finished painting a new trellis for her porch and was already looking for the next thing she could turn her attention to.

The projects were never ending, just like her love for her children and her children's children. She was always interested in their lives and wanted them to know that she loved them and was thinking about them.

She will be remembered for how much she made people matter, and for the many memories she left behind.

She is preceded in death by her brother, Carl Seif.

She is survived by her son, James and Angie Cooper; daughter, Amy and David Jakober; grandchildren, Nicholas Cooper, Nathan and Alyssa Cooper, Caitlyn Cooper, Ashley Landman, Ben Landman, Kelby Jakober, Jack Jakober; and sister, Mary Ann and Phil Van Huis.

Visitation with the family is 4:00-6:00 pm on Tuesday, June 25, 2024, at

Langeland Sterenberg Funeral Home, 315 E. 16th St. Holland, MI 49423.

In lieu of flowers, the family would kindly ask that donations be given to a charity of your choice.

[www.langelandsterenberg.com](http://www.langelandsterenberg.com)

# Previous Events

## Visitation

JUN **25**. 4:00 PM - 6:00 PM (ET)

Langeland-Sterenberg Funeral Home  
315 East 16th Street  
Holland, MI 49423

# Tribute Wall



“ *Langeland-Sterenberg Yntema Funeral Homes created a Tribute Video in memory of Linda Mae Cooper*



**Langeland-Sterenberg Yntema Funeral Homes** - June 25, 2024 at 09:19 AM

KV

*I met Linda, Pat, Liz and Shirley on their Cape Cod tour they befriended me as I was travelling alone and since we've kept in touch through Facebook. She always had a lovely smile on her face. Pat let me know. Sending love and condolences on the loss of your Mum. Sincerely Kris Veldon (Sydney, Australia).*

**Kristine Veldon** - June 29, 2024 at 02:47 AM

KV

“ *I met Linda on our travels years ago when she and her school friends did the Cape Cod tour. We had a lot of fun together and have kept in contact through Facebook. . Fond memories of our time together though short. Kris Veldon Sydney Australia.*

**Kristine Veldon** - June 28, 2024 at 10:50 PM



“ *Ocean Breeze Spray was purchased for the family of Linda Mae Cooper.*



June 25, 2024 at 10:00 AM

EL

“ Our sympathy to Linda's family. It was always nice chatting with Linda as we walked in our neighborhood where she gave us such beauty. We'll miss Linda and pray that special memories comfort you.

Emily & Doris Lievense - June 25, 2024 at 09:54 AM

GE

“ Gail Emery lit a candle in memory of Linda Mae Cooper



Gail Emery - June 24, 2024 at 03:50 PM

GE

*Linda was my best friend and I will miss her dearly! She always exhibited a renewed focus & light to life which I will carry in my heart. Her family & friends were her priority in life and she found creative ways to share her joy with them.*

*Our thoughts are with all of you and may you find comfort & peace in the memories you shared together.*

*Gail & Bill Emery*

Gail Emery - June 24, 2024 at 05:09 PM

SD

“ So sorry to hear Linda passed away! I have so many memories of the trips Linda, Pat, Liz & I took over the years, that I will cherish. My condolences to all of her family!

Shirley DeVries - June 22, 2024 at 10:32 AM

TV

“ *I am still trying to reconcile the fact that Linda has gone on. We were friends for nearly 30 years. She was full of life, always looking for her next project. She will be greatly missed. I pray for peace and comfort for all of her family.*

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**Teresa Vollmer** - June 21, 2024 at 08:10 PM