



## Marie Phyllis Roop

January 11, 1934 - May 5, 2018

Marie Phyllis (Wood) Roop, 84, of Holland, Michigan (formerly of St. Joseph) passed away Saturday, May 5, 2018, at Resthaven Care Center. She was born to Florence and Edgar Wood in Watseka, Illinois, on January 11, 1934, the youngest child of six. She graduated from Bradley University with a B.S. in medical technology in 1955, then trained as a lab technician, the profession she practiced until she had children. In 1977 she received a M.A. in counseling and psychology, then worked for the State of Michigan as a social worker in Protective Services, then in Adoption, for 18 years, retiring in 1996. On July 6, 1957, she married Robert Charles Roop. They raised a family in Chicago Heights, Illinois, then in St. Joseph, Michigan. Robert preceded her in death in 2003, after 45 years of marriage. Phyllis is lovingly remembered by her sister, Harriet Anderson, her children, Laura (Richard Koch), Barbara Naylor-Tatterson (Ross), Thomas (Kathleen); seven grandchildren, Jessica, Hannah (Moses), Adam (Rachael), Bonnie, Abby, Jack, and Shania, and six great-grandchildren, Samuel, Rachel, Luke, Christopher, Andrew, and Amelia. She leaves a legacy of passion for, and commitment to, social justice. Her family and friends will remember her spunky spirit, her kindness, and her love of family. A Celebration of Life Service will be held 11:00 a.m. Saturday, June 16, 2018, at Langeland-Sterenbergh Funeral Home, 315 E. 16th Street, Holland, Michigan. Interment will be in Riverview Cemetery in St. Joseph, MI. Memorials may be made to the League of Women Voters. [www.langelandsterenberg.com](http://www.langelandsterenberg.com)



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“ *Marie Phyllis Roop*

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