



Marjorie Ann Bocks

March 8, 1930 - June 17, 2025

Marjorie Ann Bocks, 95 of Holland, Michigan passed away on June 17, 2025, surrounded by her loving family.

She is survived by her children, Elizabeth (Libby) Bocks, Jessica (Buu Chau) Le, Nathan (Elizabeth) Bocks, and grandchildren and great-grandchildren she adored. She was predeceased by her son, Samuel, and her loving husband of 64 years, William M. (Bill) Bocks.

Bill and Marge first met at just two years old. They dated in high school, at Hope College, and were married during spring break their senior year, just before Bill was drafted into the Korean War. Marge began her lifelong teaching career following Bill in the army to Texas, then Pittsburgh, then Washington, and eventually back to Michigan. They started a family in Martin, Michigan, and their careers took them to Bloomingdale, Hamilton, Muskegon, Menominee, Grand Haven, Port Colborne, Ontario, Mt. Pleasant, Michigan, then to retirement back in Grand Haven, and Holland.

Marjorie was always a teacher. Throughout her career she taught almost every subject at every grade level, eventually specializing in teaching reading to children and young adults. She was a highly educated career woman before it was common, earning her master's degree by age 50. She was strong, independent, tough, caring, supportive, and had high expectations.

Her greatest gift was her belief in the abilities of those she loved and her willingness to help us achieve our dreams. She spent countless hours reading and studying with her children and grandchildren. If she didn't know the subject, she would learn it with you so she could help you study. She believed in you before you believed in yourself. She built you up, lifted you up, and refused to accept less than your best.

Marjorie was born in a time when Holland had horse-drawn ice wagons, and 95 years later she spent her final days listening to podcasts on her iPad. She was always a woman ahead of her time. She was a leader, a trail blazer, an example to us all. She will be greatly missed but her impact will live on forever.

She is survived by her daughter, Libby Bocks; daughter, Jessica (Buu Chau) Le; son, Nathan (Elizabeth) Bocks; grandchildren, Heather Bocks, Joshua (Dominique) Bocks, Justin Bocks, Jessica Bocks, Ashleigh Underwood, Duncan (Michelle) Bocks, Spencer Bocks, Megan Bocks; 8 great-grandchildren; sister, Phyllis Bocks; and sister, Maxine Miller.

Visitation with the family is from 3:00-6:00 pm on Thursday, June 26, 2025, at Langeland Sterenberg Funeral Home, 315 E. 16th St. Holland, MI 49423.

Memorial services will be at 11:00 am on Friday, June 27, 2025, also at Langeland Sterenberg Funeral Home.

In lieu of flowers, memorial contributions in Marjorie's honor may be given to the Holland Education Foundation at www.hollandeducationalfoundation.org or by mail to 320 W 24th St, Holland, MI 49423.

www.langelandsterenberg.com

Previous Events

Visitation

JUN **26**. 3:00 PM - 6:00 PM (ET)

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

Memorial Service

JUN **27**. 11:00 AM (ET)

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Tribute Wall



“ *Langeland-Sterenberg Yntema Funeral Homes created a Tribute Video in memory of Marjorie Ann Bocks*



Langeland-Sterenberg Yntema Funeral Homes - June 26, 2025 at 11:00 AM



“ *Beautiful Dreams was purchased for the family of Marjorie Ann Bocks.*



June 25, 2025 at 12:59 PM



“ A [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) was planted in honor of Marjorie Ann Bocks.

June 25, 2025 at 12:59 PM



“ *Medium Dish Garden was purchased for the family of Marjorie Ann Bocks.*



June 20, 2025 at 07:29 PM



“ A </store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518>>Memorial Tree was planted in honor of Marjorie Ann Bocks.

June 20, 2025 at 07:29 PM



“ Dan & Kim Mulder purchased the Pretty Please for the family of Marjorie Ann Bocks.



Dan & Kim Mulder - June 20, 2025 at 11:30 AM



“ The Otto Family purchased the Sweet Tranquility Basket for the family of Marjorie Ann Bocks.



The Otto Family - June 19, 2025 at 08:39 AM



“ The Otto Family planted a </store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518>>Memorial Tree in honor of Marjorie Ann Bocks.

The Otto Family - June 19, 2025 at 08:39 AM



“ A </store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518>>Memorial Tree was planted in honor of Marjorie Ann Bocks.

June 19, 2025 at 08:12 AM



“ *Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum was purchased for the family of Marjorie Ann Bocks.*



June 19, 2025 at 08:12 AM



“ *Sympathy to all of Marj's family. I remember fondly times with Marj and Bill at community gatherings and also for their support of inclusion and justice for all.*

Ann Weller - June 18, 2025 at 07:09 PM



“ *From Imran and the InfoSec Team purchased the Full Of Love Bouquet for the family of Marjorie Ann Bocks.*



From Imran and the InfoSec Team - June 18, 2025 at 06:23 PM



“ *From Imran and the InfoSec Team planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Marjorie Ann Bocks.*

From Imran and the InfoSec Team - June 18, 2025 at 06:23 PM