



It is with both sadness and joy that we announce the passing of Donna Marie Bussing, who peacefully left this world on January 5, 2026, just days shy of her 94th birthday. She was born on January 7, 1932, in Mt. Pleasant, MI, to Ransom & Elsie (Bolinger) Campbell. Donna is celebrated and remembered by her loving daughters: Dawn (Sam) Beckley, Denise Bussing, Debra (Mark) Sawinski, Penny (Ken) Schultz, and Jennifer Miller. She was a proud grandmother to Carmen (James) Surber, Adam (Holly) Beckley, Keri (Brian) Meister, Kenny (Kristi) Schultz, Kevin (Samantha) Schultz, Kody (Brooke) Schultz, Kelsie (Harold) Thommen, Christopher (Chelsea) Sawinski, Bruce (Martha) Sawinski, Laura (Kylan) Lamer, Dylan (Amanda) Miller and great-grandmother to James, Sam, Brady, Hunter, Mackenzie, Aubree, Elin, Cole, Hillary, Ayslin, Beau, Kaydin, Kinzee, Kinleigh, Breckon, Noa, Rowan, Tristian, Del, and Zander. She is now reuniting with those who preceded her in death, including her husband Bruce, sisters Patricia DeRuiter and Jeanine Johnson, brothers David Campbell and James Campbell, and son-in-law Tom Miller.



Services for Donna will take place on Friday, January 16, 2026. The visitation will be held at the Clock Funeral Home from 2:00 PM to 3:00 PM, with a celebratory memorial service following at 3:00 PM, where Pastor Mark Sawinski will officiate. After the service, we invite family and friends to gather for a reception to share stories and celebrate Donna's remarkable life.

Please visit www.clockfuneralhome.com to leave a memory or sign the online guestbook. Let us come together to honor the loving spirit of Donna Marie Bussing, whose legacy of kindness and devotion will forever remain in our hearts.



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DONNA BUSSING

DONNA'S LIFE STORY

As friends and family will certainly agree, Donna Bussing was a warm and radiant presence in the lives of all who knew her. She exemplified what it meant to follow faithfully after the Lord she loved so deeply, and she found such joy in the simple pleasures each and every day. There was nothing more precious to Donna than her family. Her love for others was limitless, and she was always willing to go above and beyond to serve those around her, making an unforgettable impact in so many lives. Dearly missed, Donna will be forever cherished and remembered by those who knew her best.

The early 1930s were not easy years to be living in the United States of America. All across the nation, families struggled to make ends meet under the heavy weight of the Great Depression. During such a dark time, however, there was light and happiness to be found in the household of Ransom and Elsie (Bolinger) Campbell of Mt. Pleasant, Michigan, as they awaited the birth of their **first** child. It was on January 7 of 1932 that they excitedly announced the arrival of their daughter, Donna Marie.

Donna was raised alongside her four **younger** siblings, Patricia, Jeanine, David, and James. Her mother, Elsie, tended to the home and the children while her father, Ransom, spent the majority of Donna's younger years working in the oil fields all around Michigan. Her father's job moved the family around the state, and they often lived in a trailer that they took from town to town. Donna attended various schools for short periods of time as they traveled around Michigan. During WWII, her father found work as a welder, and the Campbell family eventually settled in the Cloverville area. Donna began attending Muskegon Heights High School, graduating in 1950.

It was around this time that Donna met the young man who would quickly become the love of her life. His name was Bruce Bussing, and their paths first crossed as Donna was walking with a friend one day. Bruce happened to be driving by. He pulled over to offer them a ride, but Donna turned him down because his driving seemed wild. However, their story wasn't over. The two began dating and soon found themselves falling head over heels in love. On September 2, 1950, Donna and Bruce were united in marriage, beginning a union that would last for over 60 years to come. They were a perfect match in every way.



Before long, Donna's family began to grow. She and Bruce were overjoyed to welcome their five beloved daughters, Dawn, Denise, Debra, Penny, and Jennifer, into their hearts and home. Donna thrived in her role as a mother, and she dedicated herself to being a stay-at-home mom to her girls. She managed her household with skill and grace, even though they all had to share one bathroom! For many years, the Bussing family didn't have a phone of their own, so they would borrow the neighbor's phone if they needed to make a call. Later on, Donna was thrilled to become a grandmother and even a great-grandmother. She adored her grandkids and doted on them at every opportunity. Donna always considered herself blessed to be surrounded by so many loved ones.

Donna's unyielding faith was her firm foundation. She was an active member of Black Creek Bible Church for many years, serving as a deaconess, a Sunday school teacher, and a vacation Bible school instructor. Donna lived out her faith each and every day, both in word and deed. Her deepest desire was that everyone, especially her family, would come to know Jesus Christ and find the same boundless joy she possessed.

Throughout her many years of life, Donna loved being in the great outdoors, embracing the beauty of nature. She enjoyed camping, and she took every chance to bask in the sun. The Great Smoky Mountains was one of her favorite places to be. Donna's husband, Bruce, knew the ins and outs of all the roads in West Michigan, so he always took charge of planning and driving on their memorable vacations. Donna's home was often filled with country and Gospel music. She was an avid bowler for many years, and some of her favorite restaurants included Russ', Bill Knapps, Cozy Corner, and Dave's in Rothbury, where she loved getting together with family.

As loved ones gather to reflect on the overflowing life of Donna Bussing, it is easy to see both her unwavering strength and her unconditional love for her family. She handled every challenge that came her way with determination and grace, leaning on her faith in good times and bad. A nurturing wife, mother, grandmother, and great-grandmother, Donna's family was her greatest treasure, and she never missed a chance to hold them close. Her heart of gold allowed her to care for others with a tenderness that will not soon be forgotten. Although she is already greatly missed, Donna leaves behind a legacy of kindness and compassion that her friends and family will be proud to carry on in her footsteps.

