

## Mary Louise Delamarter Mar 31, 1937 - Sept 19, 2021

Mary Louise Delamarter, age 84, passed from this life on September 19, 2021 in Kalamazoo, Michigan, after a long struggle with dementia. She was preceded in death by her parents, Carrol and Iva (Eschtruth) Corn; former husband, Gordon R. Delamarter; sister, Carol Sue Cockrane; and sister-in-law, Dorothy (Stan) Knopf. Mary was born on March 31, 1937 in Lansing, Michigan.

She graduated from Perry High School in 1955. On her family farm, she learned to sew and garden. She became a talented seamstress. She and Gordon were married in Lansing on September 2, 1956. She loved her children and did her best to provide for them. She was a homemaker while they attended school in Albion. Throughout her life, she worked in several fields. She was the first property manager at Oak Meadows Apartments, which led to her later becoming a real estate broker in Albion. She was active in her church and found joy in serving others. She also enjoyed Bible study with her church families in Albion, Grand Rapids, and Kalamazoo.

Mary is survived by her sister, Ruth (Russ) Payne; sister-in-law, Barbra (Robert) Ward; brother-in-law, Doug Cockrane; children, Ron (Renae) Delamarter, Chuck (Cheryl Clore) Delamarter, and Julie (Todd) Simpson; grandchildren, Ashley (Blake Austin) Delamarter, Kevin (Danielle) Delamarter, Trey (Karli) Delamarter, Madison (Jamie) Fowlkes, Nathan Simpson, Zack Simpson, and Channing Simpson; and one great-grandson, Cooper Delamarter.

A memorial service will be held on Saturday, September 25, at the First United Methodist Church of Albion at 11 am. The family request that, in lieu of flowers, family and friends consider a memorial contribution to The Alzheimer's Association or Park Place Assisted Living of Kalamazoo, Michigan.