



Phyllis Ann Jernstadt

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Saginaw - Phyllis Ann Jernstadt, age 78, of Saginaw, formerly of Big Rapids, passed away on Wednesday, June 24, 2015. She was born on February 24, 1937 in Big Rapids, the daughter of Martin and Mary (Eichenberg) Jernstadt. She graduated from Big Rapids High School and earned a Bachelor of Science degree in Business Education in 1968 and a Master of Science degree in Occupational Education in 1991; both from Ferris State University. Early in her career, she worked as a dental assistant for Dr. Harmon in Big Rapids then Dr. Najar in Grand Rapids. Phyllis started the dental hygiene and assisting program at Delta College, Saginaw 1967, retiring in 2003. Phyllis was president of the Michigan Dental Assisting Association in 1973 and 1974. She held local office in the association throughout her career and had been the education chair for the last three years. She is survived by one sister-in-law, Betty (Jim) Jernstadt; nieces and nephews, Bill (Shirley) Jernstadt, Dale (Mary) Jernstadt, Ollie (Mary) Irvin, Gail Weller, Dana (Angela) Irvin, Ace Jernstadt, Honey (Karl) Blemaster, JT Jernstadt, Carol Jernstadt, Marty (Angela) Jernstadt, and Anna Maier; her adopted son, Tony (Liliu) Bao; grandchildren, Tony Jr. (Shelly) Bao and Julia Bao; several great and great-great nieces and nephews; plus many cousins. Also surviving is dear friend, Sally Ross. Funeral Services will be 11:00 am Monday, June 29, 2015 at the Mohnke Funeral Home in Big Rapids. Visitation will be Sunday, June 28, 2015 from 2:00 - 5:00 pm at the funeral home. Interment will follow Monday's service at the Highland View Cemetery. Memorial contributions may be made to the Mecosta County Animal Rescue Coalition.



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SD

Sue Dobson posted:

I'm so very sorry to hear of Phyllis' passing. I have been cutting her hair for several years. She always shared news of her family and I enjoyed our visits. We also shared our love for our pets. I will really miss Phyllis.

June 29 at 8:00 PM

ER

Evelyn Reinke posted:

Phyllis was one of my instructors at Delta College. Her goal of making dental assisting a "profession" and not just a "job" was of utmost importance. I will miss you Phyllis.

June 27 at 8:00 PM

JK

Jennifer Kindel posted:

My good friend, Phyllis, was an inspiration to us all. She gave all she had to the profession of dental assisting and the Mid-Michigan Dental Assistants Society. I will miss our lively conversations! Rest in peace dear friend.

June 25 at 8:00 PM

TY

Tony Jr (Yuwei) Bao posted:

My grandmother was kind and loving. She was so selfless; always putting others before her. Words cannot describe how much I will miss her. I love you so much Grandma.

June 24 at 8:00 PM



Memories only last if you share them

Join us in honoring Phyllis by contributing to a collection of shared memories.



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