



## Patricia L Woodard

July 13th, 1940 - May 4th, 2024

Age: 83 years

Patricia (Patty) L. Woodard  
Big Rapids, MI formally Caro, MI

Patricia L. Woodard, affectionately known as Patty, passed away peacefully on May 4, 2024, in Reed City, MI, at the age of 83. Born on July 13, 1940, in Caro, MI, Patty's life was marked by her unwavering love for her family, her faith, and her passion for music and the arts.

Patty is survived by her loving children, Tamara (David) Beauchamp and Timothy (Debbie) Woodard; her adored grandchildren, Aaron, Alexis, Alaina (Alexander), Brianna (Mark), and Trevor (Gloria); and her treasured great-grandchildren, Paxton and the expected arrival of a baby boy in August 2024. Patty also leaves behind her dear sister, Penny Rickwalt, along with several nieces and nephews who will miss her deeply. She was preceded in death by her beloved husband and high school sweetheart, Lee George Woodard, whom she married on October 22, 1960, and her parents, Grant and Helen (Beyette) Watson and her in-laws, Frank and Beryle Rocheleau.

Patty's a graduate of Caro High School in 1958, she showcased her talents as a majorette for the Caro High School Marching Band. Her musical journey continued as she mastered the piano and saxophone, which brought joy to many throughout her life. Patty was a devoted member of both the Presbyterian Church of Caro and its Adult Church Choir, and also served as the Children's Director for the Church Choir. Professionally, Patty was the respected manager of a Manufactured Homes Park, a Board Member of the Tuscola County Fair Board, where she contributed over 30 years of her time and talents, ensuring the fair's success for generations to enjoy.

Patty's was an integral part of the Michigan Harness Horse Association, carrying on the legacy as a second-generation starting gate for harness horse racing. Her competitive spirit shone brightly as she earned the title of Bowler of the Year at the Tuscola County Caro Brentwood Lanes. Patty's creativity found an outlet in doll making and arts and crafts, where her hands lovingly crafted beauty and whimsy. Above all, Patty's most cherished moments were those spent with her

grandchildren, whom she adored. Her love for her family was the cornerstone of her life, and her presence was a source of comfort and joy.

A Funeral Service will be at 12:00 PM, on Saturday, May 11, 2024, at Rivertown Funeral Chapel, Kawkawlin, MI with Pastor Tony Reynolds presiding followed by a private burial at the Indianfields Cemetery, Caro MI. The family will greet friends from 11:00 AM until the time of Service at Rivertown Funeral Chapel. In lieu of flowers, please consider a donation to Meceola Currie Comfort Home in Reed City, MI.

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Residence: Big Rapids, MI

Previous Residence(s): Caro, MI

## Funeral Home Information

### Rivertown Funeral Chapel

**Address:**

209 S. Huron Rd.  
Kawkawlin, MI 48631

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## Service Information

### Rivertown Funeral Chapel

**Address:**

Spring & Huron  
Kawkawlin, Michigan 48631

**Presiding Official:** Pastor Tony Reynolds

**Date:** May 11th, 2024

**Time:** 12:00 PM

## Visitation Information

### Rivertown Funeral Chapel

**Visitation Times:**

05/11/2024 11:00 AM - 12:00 PM

**Address:**

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Kawkawlin, Michigan 48631



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