



## Laretta Mary Threm

August 7, 1922 - January 23, 2016

Laretta M. (LaVigne) Threm, also known as “The Aunt”, age 93, died January 23, 2016 at Hospice of NW Ohio in Perrysburg. Laretta was born to the late Clarence E. and Rosa Lee (LaPlante) LaVigne on August 7, 1922 in Martin, Ohio. She and her identical twin Bernetta, were the youngest of seven children. She graduated from Genoa High School and went to secretarial school prior to working at Owens-Illinois as an executive secretary. She was a member of the Per-Roma Chapter of the American Business Women’s Association (ABWA) in Toledo. After she retired from Owens-Illinois, she stayed busy quilting and sewing. Laretta was an avid and accomplished quilter and seamstress. She was a member of the Quilt Foundry in Maumee, Ohio and volunteered her time making numerous comfort pillows for Hospice of Northwest Ohio. She regularly quilted with the members of Lakewood Church of the Brethern in Milbury, Ohio. We remember The Aunt for her lead foot, love for football and tennis, her wonderful chicken salad and waffle cookies.

Laretta married Lawrence E. Threm on July 24, 1948. They had been married 52 years when Larry died on May 20, 2000. She is survived by many nieces and nephews, great-nieces and great-nephews. Laretta was preceded in death by her identical twin Bernetta (Kelly) Radecki, sisters Marie Nicolas and Alice Roe, brothers Leo LaVigne, Paul LaVigne and Lawrence LaVigne.

The family would like to give a special thank you to Laretta’s niece, Rosalie

Smithers, for her care and companionship which gave Laretta a beautiful and full life, and allowed her to remain in her own home until the time of her illness. A Memorial Mass will be held on February 6, 2016 at 10:00 a.m. at Our Lady of Lourdes Catholic Church, with a reception to follow at the church. Interment will be in Resurrection Cemetery, Toledo. The Coyle Funeral Home is assisting the family with the arrangements.

In lieu of flowers, the family is requesting donations be given to Hospice of NW Ohio, 30000 E. River Rd., Perrysburg, Ohio 43551. A special thanks to Dr. Christopher Lynn of UTMC, Dr. Elloise Gard, and all the staff at Hospice of NW Ohio. Please leave a condolence message for the family at [CoyleFuneralHome.com](http://CoyleFuneralHome.com).

# Cemetery Details

## Resurrection Cemetery

5725 Hill Avenue  
Toledo, OH 43615

# Previous Events

## Memorial

FEB 6. 10:00 AM - 11:00 AM (ET)

Our Lady Of Lourdes  
6149 Hill Ave.  
Toledo, OH 43615

# Tribute Wall



“ Remembering good times with Laretta and our fellow quilters at the quilt Foundry. Karen Rupp

Karen Rupp - February 06, 2016 at 07:25 AM

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“ So sorry to learn of Laretta's passing. Spending many hours with her working on quilts and quilting around the frame at the Quilt Foundry are special memories... What an interesting life she lived. I'm grateful for the time spent stitching.  
Gretchen Schultz

Gretchen Schultz - February 05, 2016 at 04:35 PM

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“ I am so sorry to read of Laretta's passing. She was our shining example of unselfish service for many years. Her lovely quilts and meticulous workmanship will remain in my memory for always, and I treasure the memories of phone conversations after she could no longer come to quilt with us. Rest in peace, dear friend.  
Alice Strieter--Quilt Foundry Guild

Alice Strieter - February 05, 2016 at 10:24 AM