



Jill Ann Aberly

October 12, 1975 - May 2, 2025

Jill Ann (Bortolini) Aberly, age 49, of Crystal Falls, MI, passed away unexpectedly at home on May 2nd, 2025.

She was born on October 12th, 1975, in Crystal Falls, MI, to Jerry and Annette Bortolini. Jill graduated from Forest Park High School in 1994 and was employed at Ben Franklin, Forest Park School, Dickinson Iron ISD, and most recently as a cook at the Forest Park School.

Jill married Dean Aberly on June 11th, 1994, in Crystal Falls, MI. She loved, more than anything, being a wife, mother, and grandmother. Jill loved her 3 kids dearly, Derek, Zachary and Megan; as well as her daughter-in-laws, Alli and Jackie; her granddaughter, Lauren; a granddaughter on the way; and bonus grandchildren, Berkley and Bennett. She also loved her animals, dogs Lolly and Dixie, granddog Annie, grandkitty Tilly, bunny Twix, goats Chester and Charlie, and of course Ginger cow.

Jill loved her walks with her dogs, goats and a good fire pit with her husband Dean. She loved to cross country ski and snowshoe so much; she had an annual full moon bonfire and snow shoe walk with her friends and family. Her other love was baking goodies and making large meals for the family. Her most recent interest was making sourdough bread and attempting a gluten free starter. She loved making her house a home. Doing projects inside and

out, enjoying her flowers and the hummingbirds.

She was loved by her family and everyone she met, including community members, school employees and students. Jill had a way of making everyone around her feel special and loved. Her daughter-in-laws and their families truly became her family as well. The Samuelson, Jastremski and Collins families held a very special place in her heart.

Jill is survived by her husband, Dean; sons, Derek (Alli) and Zachary (Jackie); daughter, Megan; and granddaughter, Lauren; parents, Jerry and Annette Bortolini; brothers, Shawn (Nikki), Jeff (Joy) and Jesse (Ashley); and many aunties, uncles, nieces, nephews and great-nieces and nephews. She is also survived by many cousins and very special friends.

She was preceded in death by her grandparents, Alex and Alice Bortolini, DuWayne and Mary Aultman; aunt, Nora Bortolini; 4 uncles, Albert Hill, Jim Martwick, Don Aultman, and Dave Aultman; and a cousin, Jeremy Hill.

Visitation will be held from 9:00 am - 11:00 am on Thursday, May 8th at the Fortune Lake Lutheran Camp in Crystal Falls with a memorial service to follow at 11:00 am. Pastor Vicky Prewitt will officiate.

Condolences may be expressed to the family of Jill Ann (Bortolini) Aberly online at www.nashfuneralhome.net.

The family has entrusted the Nash Funeral Home and Cremation Services of Crystal Falls with arrangements..

Previous Events

Visitation

MAY 8. 9:00 AM - 11:00 AM (CT)

Fortune Lake Lutheran Camp
138 Fortune Lake Camp Rd.
Crystal Falls, MI 49920

Memorial Service

MAY 8. 11:00 AM (CT)

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Crystal Falls, MI 49920

Tribute Wall

LW

“ So sorry for your whole family. We all grew up together didn't we?
Too young too soon.

Lorna Lynn Willis - May 12, 2025 at 03:52 PM

KF

“ I'll never forget her hugging me when I heard my Dad was dying!
What a precious, thoughtful young lady! So shocked and sad that
she is gone!❤️❤️

karen Friestrom - May 10, 2025 at 08:21 PM

GP

“ Prayers to her husband and kids

Greg Peterson - May 08, 2025 at 07:34 PM

PT

“ My condolences to the Aberly and Bortolini families on Jill's passing.
I have many fond memories of her as a spunky and smart student.
Her joy and smile were contagious and she will be greatly missed
by all who knew her. May God comfort you at this most difficult time.

Pam Trask - May 07, 2025 at 02:29 PM

RL

“ Our deepest condolences to Jill's family. We had some memorable
time's with 4 H and school functions. She will be remembered for
always 🙏

Rick Luft - May 07, 2025 at 12:39 PM

JT

“ John and Mary Niemela. Logan and Trent. purchased the Beautiful in Blue for the family of Jill Ann Aberly.



John and Mary Niemela. Logan and Trent. - May 07, 2025 at 09:01 AM

-C

“ - Arrow Constructions purchased the Serene Reflections Bouquet for the family of Jill Ann Aberly.



- Arrow Constructions - May 07, 2025 at 08:42 AM

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“ - Arrow Constructions planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Jill Ann Aberly.

- Arrow Constructions - May 07, 2025 at 08:42 AM

CF

“ Cameron Davis Family purchased the Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum for the family of Jill Ann Aberly.



Cameron Davis Family - May 06, 2025 at 09:18 PM

SS

“ *Select Sires purchased the Arrive in Style for the family of Jill Ann Aberly.*



Select Sires - May 06, 2025 at 06:48 PM

J(

“ *Jen Patel (Anderson) purchased the Full Of Love Bouquet for the family of Jill Ann Aberly.*



Jen Patel (Anderson) - May 06, 2025 at 05:07 PM

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“ *Jen Patel (Anderson) planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Jill Ann Aberly.*

Jen Patel (Anderson) - May 06, 2025 at 05:07 PM



“ *I Have You In My Heart Plush Blanket was purchased for the family of Jill Ann Aberly.*



May 06, 2025 at 02:50 PM



“ *A [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) was planted in honor of Jill Ann Aberly.*

May 06, 2025 at 02:50 PM

SO

“ Sincerely, Dr. Shakers Office purchased the Full Of Love Bouquet for the family of Jill Ann Aberly.



Sincerely, Dr. Shakers Office - May 06, 2025 at 02:21 PM

AH

“ Avery, Kristin, Lily, & Hannah purchased the Peaceful White Lilies Basket for the family of Jill Ann Aberly.



Avery, Kristin, Lily, & Hannah - May 06, 2025 at 08:09 AM

AH

“ Dean, We are so sorry for your loss. Our hearts go out to you and your family at this difficult time.
Alison and Dan Hamlin

Alison Hamlin - May 06, 2025 at 08:09 AM

MS

“ Oh Jilly Bean. You are super missed and loved by many. My heart goes out to your whole family. You were a shining light. So full of love and laughter. I know you will be watching over all you love. To the whole family. Love and hugs.

Michelle Smokevitch - May 06, 2025 at 07:39 AM

LD

“ I’m so sincerely sorry for your loss. My thoughts and prayers to Jill’s family and friends. *Laura Divine*

Laura Divine - May 06, 2025 at 03:57 AM



“ Sweetest Sunrise Bouquet was purchased for the family of Jill Ann Aberly.



May 06, 2025 at 01:00 AM

JR

“ Jasmin R. planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Jill Ann Aberly.

Jasmin R. - May 05, 2025 at 05:59 PM

SH

“ Dear my thoughts and prayer are with you and the families.. I so so sorry for your loss... May you Rest In Peace Jill. And May The Lord Place His Hand On Everyone At This Time..



Steve Hill - May 05, 2025 at 05:58 PM

TB

“ We send our sincere sympathy to your family. Megan and our granddaughter, Hannah Cross, were in sports and school together. Blessing to all of you.

*Ted and Louise Burson
Manistique, MI*

Ted and Louise Burson - May 05, 2025 at 05:42 PM



“ Enchanted Cottage was purchased for the family of Jill Ann Aberly.



May 05, 2025 at 05:40 PM

YP

“ Your friends at Jauquet Forest Products purchased the Large Basket Garden for the family of Jill Ann Aberly.



Your friends at Jauquet Forest Products - May 05, 2025 at 04:33 PM

PD

“ Dean
So very sorry to hear about Jill and the grief you must be feeling right now. Just wanted to reach out and say how very sorry Jill and I feel about your loss .

Paul Dumonthier - May 05, 2025 at 04:20 PM

FC

“ From Nathan Aultman and Nancy Clark purchased the Basket Full of Wishes for the family of Jill Ann Aberly.



From Nathan Aultman and Nancy Clark - May 05, 2025 at 04:18 PM

SZ

“ Sincerely- Tim & Amy Jean Zelenka purchased the Beautiful Dreams for the family of Jill Ann Aberly.



Sincerely- Tim & Amy Jean Zelenka - May 05, 2025 at 04:17 PM

TE

“ Trisha (Nylund) and Ali Easley purchased the Florist Choice Bouquet for the family of Jill Ann Aberly.



Trisha (Nylund) and Ali Easley - May 05, 2025 at 04:11 PM

NM

“ Norm & Joy Mika purchased the Fairest of All for the family of Jill Ann Aberly.



Norm & Joy Mika - May 05, 2025 at 04:00 PM

PW

“ So very sorry for your loss, a loss felt by the whole community. My thoughts and prayers are with your family.

Pat Westcott - May 05, 2025 at 03:54 PM



“ Enchanted Cottage was purchased for the family of Jill Ann Aberly.



May 05, 2025 at 03:37 PM



“ A [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) was planted in honor of Jill Ann Aberly.

May 05, 2025 at 03:37 PM

DI

“ David, Skylynn, Isaac. purchased the Heavenly Grace Spray for the family of Jill Ann Aberly.



David, Skylynn, Isaac. - May 05, 2025 at 03:36 PM

KS

“ Kim, Tony, Maddie and Gabe Scarlassara purchased the Peaceful White Lilies Basket for the family of Jill Ann Aberly.



Kim, Tony, Maddie and Gabe Scarlassara - May 05, 2025 at 03:32 PM

KS

“ Kim, Tony, Maddie and Gabe Scarlassara planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Jill Ann Aberly.

Kim, Tony, Maddie and Gabe Scarlassara - May 05, 2025 at 03:32 PM



“ Dean and family. We are so very sorry for your loss. Jill was such an amazing person. Her love for life and positive attitude still makes me smile. She touched a lot of lives and will never be forgotten. You all are in our thoughts and prayers.

-Kim, Tony, Maddie and Gabe Scarlassara

Kimberly Fosnight-scarlassara - May 05, 2025 at 03:27 PM

LF

“ Love, Tiffany and Family purchased the Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum for the family of Jill Ann Aberly.



Love, Tiffany and Family - May 05, 2025 at 03:21 PM

AS

“ Dean and family, I am so heartbroken for you. I know from co-worker conversations shared at MDOT over the past years how she was truly the center of your family and that she was so proud of you. I've been praying for you all. I'm so very sorry.

Allison Smith - May 05, 2025 at 02:48 PM

TP

“ Dean and Family. My heart is broken for you. I am so sorry for the loss of your beautiful wife and Mom. Jill will be missed by so many. You are all in my prayers. 🙏

Terry Priddy - May 05, 2025 at 02:38 PM

NW

“ What a wonderful obituary of such a beautiful person. If I was lucky enough to see Jill once a year at an MDOT gathering, seeing her beautiful smile and getting a chance to visit was always one of the highlights of our get togethers. She will be missed by so many. Keeping you all in my thoughts and prayers in the days ahead.

Nancy Westphal - May 05, 2025 at 02:25 PM

LB

“ Keeping your family in our thoughts and prayers during this difficult time.



Larry and Heather Biekkola - May 05, 2025 at 01:56 PM

TF

“ *The Peterson Family purchased the Lavender Reflections Spray for the family of Jill Ann Aberly.*



The Peterson Family - May 05, 2025 at 01:53 PM



“ *Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum was purchased for the family of Jill Ann Aberly.*



May 05, 2025 at 01:29 PM



“ *A [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) was planted in honor of Jill Ann Aberly.*

May 05, 2025 at 01:29 PM