



RITA MAE (NEE MITCHELL) COOPER

December 4, 1942 - May 29, 2021

COOPER, Rita Mae (nee Mitchell), age 78, of Trenton, Ohio, passed away Saturday, May 29, 2021 at U.C. Hospital in Cincinnati where she had been a patient for two months. She was born December 4, 1942 in Hamilton and lived in this area all her life. Rita was employed on the production line at Copaz Meat Packing in the Tri-County Area for thirty-two years. She was a member of Holy Family Parish. Rita enjoyed spending time at the YMCA, vacationing and going to the beach. Preceding her in death were her parents, Clarence L. and Thelma L. (Garrison) Mitchell; her husband, Leroy "Butch" Gibbs in 1972; one son, Kevin Gibbs; and three brothers, Charles Mitchell, Fred Mitchell, and Greg Mitchell. She is survived by two children, Todd R. Gibbs and Misty D. (nee Cooper) Soto and husband Leo; eleven grandchildren, Jessica Vasconez, husband Christian, Jennifer Gibbs, Dillon Gibbs, Alicia Huff, Tara Owens, Alexis Gibbs, Cody McQueen and fiancée Dana York, Cory McQueen, Kyle Soto, Bella Soto and Ellianna Mae Soto; eleven great grandchildren; three brothers, Donald Mitchell, wife Debbie, Gary Mitchell wife Marilyn, and Robert Mitchell; one sister, Teresa Dunfee; two special nieces, Dawn Dunfee and Dominique Dunfee; and many extended family and friends. Visitation will be Friday, June 18, 2021 from 9:30 a.m. to 10:30 a.m. at the Holy Trinity Church Holy Family Parrish, 201 Clark St., Middletown, Ohio 45042, followed by Mass of Christian Burial at 10:30 a.m. at the church with Rev. John Civile as Celebrant. Interment will be at Hickory Flat Cemetery in St. Clair Township, Butler County, Ohio with the committal service by Richard Kerth. A

Celebration of Life will be at the Trenton Mennonite Church Fellowship Hall, 2 East Main St., Trenton, Ohio after the graveside services. Arrangements by Herr-Riggs Funeral Home, 210 S. Main St., Middletown. Condolences may be sent to the family on this website, www.herr-riggs.com

Tribute Wall



“ *RITA MAE (NEE MITCHELL) COOPER*

September 13, 2022 at 09:07 PM



“ *Peaceful White Lilies Basket was purchased for the family of RITA MAE (NEE MITCHELL) COOPER.*



June 17, 2021 at 06:45 PM



“ *Arrive in Style was purchased for the family of RITA MAE (NEE MITCHELL) COOPER.*



June 17, 2021 at 04:02 PM



“ *Love and prayers, Curt & Christy Cooper and family purchased the Blue Caribbean Bouquet for the family of RITA MAE (NEE MITCHELL) COOPER.*



Love and prayers, Curt & Christy Cooper and family - June 16, 2021 at 09:42 PM

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“ *Your Fairfield Head Start Family purchased the Sentiments of Serenity Spray for the family of RITA MAE (NEE MITCHELL) COOPER.*



Your Fairfield Head Start Family - June 14, 2021 at 07:09 PM



“ *Sweetest Sunrise Bouquet was purchased for the family of RITA MAE (NEE MITCHELL) COOPER.*



June 10, 2021 at 11:24 PM



“ *Sweet Tenderness was purchased for the family of RITA MAE (NEE MITCHELL) COOPER.*



June 08, 2021 at 05:25 PM



“ *Enchanted Cottage was purchased for the family of RITA MAE (NEE MITCHELL) COOPER.*



June 07, 2021 at 08:04 PM

 Teresa
Dunfee

“ I came across a picture of you the other day,
and I couldn't help but smile.
because seeing you made me happy, and
because I will always have the memories...
Some good, some bad..all very real.
The times we had and the love we shared as
sisters will always have a special place in my heart. You loved me in
your way and tried your best to always make me feel special...you
were my best friend & cheerleader and have always been there for
me whenever I needed anything I could always count on you.
I'll forever appreciate that about you when I think back.
I learned so much about life and love from my time with you respect,
empathy, compassion and communication and I wouldn't change a
thing, though I will cry endless tears many nights about losing you, I
know that I'm a better person because of having you as a sister.
I'll never forget you and the magical and frozen moments in time
that will always have a special place in my heart.
A tiny part of me will forever miss you and wish we were together
again, but I know things happen for a reason. and you are in a
better place. RIP my beautiful sister Rita



Teresa Dunfee - June 07, 2021 at 07:35 PM