



## Deborah Opp

June 13, 1963 - November 11, 2024

Deborah Opp, 61, of Havana passed away at her home at 8:00 a.m. on Monday, November 11, 2024. She was born on June 13, 1963 in Aurora, Illinois to Robert and Virginia (Fierce) Pietrzak. She married Mark Opp on September 6, 1986 in Havana at St. Barnabas Episcopal Church.

Debbie is survived by her husband, Mark Opp of Havana; children, Rachel (Joe) Dolaz of Havana, Anthony (Allison Neff) Opp of Chicago, and Adam (Alli Schmit) of Peoria; grandchildren, June and Remy Dolaz; siblings, David (Montelee) Pietrzak of Havana, Michael Pietrzak of Springfield, Christopher Pietrzak of Petersburg, Ginny (John) Ramage of Petersburg, Anna (Gregory) Bergschneider of Jacksonville, and Michelle (Alan) Deckard of Springfield; and several nieces and nephews. She was preceded in death by her parents. Debbie was a member of St. Barnabas Episcopal Church. Debbie was a loving mother, wife and grandmother. During her lifetime, she was a dental assistant and optometric assistant. For the last fifteen years, she worked at Mason District Hospital, and she loved the patients, visitors and the people she worked with. She always made you feel loved, whether you were a relative, friend, or someone she just met. She had the ability to make you feel better even in your darkest moments. Debbie had an unwavering faith in God and was very active in her church. The love and prayers of family, friends, and many supporters carried her through her painful battle with breast cancer. She loved music, reading, canoeing, hiking and playing games with her family. Her greatest joy in life was just spending time with her family. Her granddaughters

brought even more joy to her life, and they now call Gaga their guardian angel.

A visitation will be held on Friday, November 15, 2024 from 4:00 p.m. until 7:00 p.m. at Hurley Funeral Home in Havana. Funeral services will be held on Saturday, November 16, 2024 at 10:00 a.m. at St. Barnabas Episcopal Church in Havana, with Fr. Dante Anglin officiating. Burial will follow the service at Laurel Hill Cemetery in Havana.

Memorial donations may be made in Deborah's name to St. Barnabas Episcopal Church. Online condolences can be left for her family at [www.hurleyfh.com](http://www.hurleyfh.com).

Hurley Funeral Home in Havana is in charge of arrangements.

# Cemetery Details

## Laurel Hill Cemetery

1105 E Laurel Ave  
Havana, IL 62644  
(309) 543-2986

# Previous Events

## Visitation

NOV **15**. 4:00 PM - 7:00 PM (CT)

Hurley Funeral Home - Havana  
217 North Plum Street  
P.O. Box #648  
Havana, IL 62644  
(309) 543-2244  
<https://www.hurleyfh.com/>

## Funeral Service

NOV **16**. 10:00 AM (CT)

St. Barnabas Episcopal Church  
420 N. Plum St.  
Havana, IL 62644

# Tribute Wall



“ Hurley Funeral Home created a Tribute Video in memory of Deborah Opp



Hurley Funeral Home - November 15, 2024 at 02:03 PM

MP

“ Heaven truly has an ANGEL the people of Mason county were truly blessed if they met and knew her we fought cancer together and she prayed with me and for me/us several times she NEVER looked " down her nose" at me and was a true inspiration. The front desk of MDH has BIG shoes to fill..Debbie, thank you for being so so kind to me..I miss your bright beautiful smile when I go to MDH and it takes all my strength to pull it together as I walk through the doors knowing your not there..

Mary Porter - November 23, 2024 at 11:04 AM

JK

“ Sorry to hear of Debbie passing. She will be missed by many, especially by her family. Prays and hugs go out to all her family. Judy & John

Judy Karl - November 20, 2024 at 02:28 PM

MB

“ Was so sorry to hear that Debbie had passed. I always enjoyed seeing her on trips to MDH. Always a smile on her face and in her heart! She will be missed by many. My prayers to her families.  
*Mary Pat (Fletcher) Bares*

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**Mary Pat (Fletcher) Bares** - November 18, 2024 at 10:07 PM

AH

“ *Angie Hodgson lit a candle in memory of Deborah Opp*



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**Angie Hodgson** - November 17, 2024 at 09:14 PM

KM

“ *We are so sorry to hear of Debbie's passing. She was so kind and always had a ready smile as soon as you saw her. Our sincere condolences to all of her family.*



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**Kay Moehring** - November 17, 2024 at 09:27 AM

RQ

“ *RON AND BARB QUINONES lit a candle in memory of Deborah Opp*



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**RON AND BARB QUINONES** - November 15, 2024 at 02:05 PM

JS

“ Jennifer S. purchased the *Simply Elegant Spathi phyllum* for the family of Deborah Opp.



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**Jennifer S.** - November 14, 2024 at 09:53 PM

LB

“ Linda B. planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Deborah Opp.

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**Linda B.** - November 14, 2024 at 05:55 PM

MS

“ Mary Guse and Naomi & Dave Schmidt purchased the *Full Of Love Bouquet* for the family of Deborah Opp.



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**Mary Guse and Naomi & Dave Schmidt** - November 14, 2024 at 04:08 PM

PS

“ Patti Specketer lit a candle in memory of Deborah Opp



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**Patti Specketer** - November 14, 2024 at 02:59 PM

BK

“ *Debbie and I were friends in high school. She always had a smile and was so fun to hang out with during times at HHS. My thoughts and prayers are with the Opp family.*  
*Brenda Percy Kennedy*



**Brenda Kennedy** - November 14, 2024 at 01:50 PM



“ *Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum was purchased for the family of Deborah Opp.*



November 14, 2024 at 12:45 PM



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

November 14, 2024 at 12:45 PM

MF

“ *Mark, Gail and family purchased the Sweet Since rity for the family of Deborah Opp.*



**Mark, Gail and family** - November 14, 2024 at 12:44 PM

MF

“ Mark, Gail and family planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Deborah Opp.

Mark, Gail and family - November 14, 2024 at 12:44 PM

CB

“ We're so sorry to hear of Debbie's passing. The Family of Mark and Carol Buchanan

carol buchanan - November 14, 2024 at 11:58 AM

CM

“ Cheri Muller lit a candle in memory of Deborah Opp



Cheri Muller - November 14, 2024 at 11:46 AM

CH

“ Condolences to the Opp family. Debbie was always smiling and so kind. She will certainly be missed. Cheryl Hahn

Cheryl Hahn - November 14, 2024 at 11:27 AM

KZ

“ A few years ago Debbie and Mark took a hand full of us through the old Havana house on Plum Street. We grew up there and they filled our hearts that day! Debbie's kindness will never be forgotten. With love, Kim, Kara and Senia Mae

Kim Zajac - November 14, 2024 at 10:46 AM



“ *Enchanted Cottage was purchased for the family of Deborah Opp.*



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November 14, 2024 at 10:37 AM



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November 14, 2024 at 10:37 AM



“ *I am so sorry to hear of Debbie's passing.. She was always a pleasure to talk to and a very sweet person. Deepest condolences to your family.*



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**Tammie Higginbotham** - November 14, 2024 at 10:25 AM



“ *Debbie was a great friend* ❤️ 🙏



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**Dan and Chris Wilson** - November 14, 2024 at 10:10 AM

LH

“ Larry and Mary Hundt sent a virtual gift in memory of Deborah Opp



Larry and Mary Hundt - November 14, 2024 at 09:24 AM

MC

“ Marcia Ann Chaney lit a candle in memory of Deborah Opp



Marcia Ann Chaney - November 14, 2024 at 09:23 AM

MW

“ Such a lovely lady💕💕

Maudie Wright - November 14, 2024 at 09:13 AM



“ Forever Our Angel Bouquet was purchased for the family of Deborah Opp.



November 14, 2024 at 09:11 AM

TM

“ Teri, Mike & Jordyn Markley purchased the Full of Love Bouquet for the family of Deborah Opp.



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Teri, Mike & Jordyn Markley - November 14, 2024 at 08:58 AM

TM

“ Teri, Mike & Jordyn Markley planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Deborah Opp.

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Teri, Mike & Jordyn Markley - November 14, 2024 at 08:58 AM



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RB

“ *Debbie had outer beauty and inner beauty. She was able to brighten the day of anyone who was lucky enough to see her. She will be deeply missed. Sending our deepest condolences to her family and all who loved her.*

*Rita and Dave Badger*

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**Rita Badger** - November 14, 2024 at 06:18 AM

VF

“ *Debbie had such a beautiful smile and soft voice and was so sweet. She will be missed by everyone who knew here. Deepest sympathy to her family. Tim and Velva Fletcher*

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**Velva Fletcher** - November 13, 2024 at 11:33 PM

PG

“ *Patricia Gilbreath lit a candle in memory of Deborah Opp*



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**Patricia Gilbreath** - November 13, 2024 at 10:29 PM

PG

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**Patricia Gilbreath** - November 13, 2024 at 10:25 PM

CF

“ Cousin Christine and family. purchased the Florist Choice Bouquet for the family of Deborah Opp.



Cousin Christine and family. - November 13, 2024 at 10:05 PM

CF

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CS

“ Craig Schaeffer lit a candle in memory of Deborah Opp



Craig Schaeffer - November 13, 2024 at 09:48 PM

JS

“ Debbie will be missed by so many. She touched the lives of so many with her contagious smile and her kindness. Thoughts and prayers to the family and friends.



julie shults - November 13, 2024 at 09:43 PM



“ Rest with our Lord and His Mother Mary in her embrace. We as cousins did not have extensive contact manly do to age and location differences. I always remember your smiling and warmth to family when we collected at reunions . You put up a great fight for your family and loved ones, your joyance soul will be waiting for us when we join you  
. Cousin Jim f.

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**Jim Fiercee** - November 13, 2024 at 08:33 PM



“ Traci Unruh lit a candle in memory of Deborah Opp



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**Traci Unruh** - November 13, 2024 at 07:58 PM



“ Debbie was nothing short of an angel here on earth and will be missed by all who knew and loved her. I first met her as a teen when I was going to Dr.Evans she was a light shining bright then and carried herself that way all the years I knew her. I am truly sorry for your loss and will hold your family up in prayer.



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**Ruth Lippert** - November 13, 2024 at 06:17 PM

DW

“ *Debbie was a great friend she will be deeply missed Hugs and prayers to her family* ❤️🙏



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**Dan and Chris Wilson** - November 13, 2024 at 04:01 PM

KB

“ *Sincere condolences to both the Opp and Pietrzak families.*

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**Kenneth Barnes** - November 13, 2024 at 03:33 PM

CH

“ *Debbie was always so friendly and was always smiling. Condolences to all of her family. She will certainly be missed*

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**Cheryl Hahn** - November 13, 2024 at 03:10 PM

CR

“ *Cindy Riggins lit a candle in memory of Deborah Opp*



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**Cindy riggins** - November 13, 2024 at 03:00 PM

BL

“ *Bob Lynn lit a candle in memory of Deborah Opp*



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**Bob Lynn** - November 13, 2024 at 02:57 PM

JB

“ We have known Debbie since her teens from our restaurant days . She was a sweet girl! I’ve worked at the hospital with her these last few years and she was still a very sweet lady! She’s loved and will always be remembered! 🙏🌺

Jack and Donzia Boggs - November 13, 2024 at 02:46 PM

RP

“ Deborah Opp was a beautiful soul who loved everyone. She always carried a smile and was delighted to greet you. My condolences to her entire family. Learning of her passing fills me with sorrow. Everyone who knew her has indeed lost a cherished friend, and Heaven has welcomed a new Angel. Soar high, Deborah; you are free from pain now. RIP Deborah

Rose Phillips - November 13, 2024 at 01:57 PM

RP

“ Rose Phillips lit a candle in memory of Deborah Opp



Rose Phillips - November 13, 2024 at 01:49 PM



“ Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum was purchased for the family of Deborah Opp.



November 13, 2024 at 01:29 PM

NE

“ *My thoughts and prayers are with Debbie's family. She was always such a sweet person. She will be missed.* ”



Nancy Elliott - November 13, 2024 at 12:55 PM

JP

“ *Debbie was a wonderful neighbor with a kind, loving heart. Sending love and prayers to all her family. Daniel and Julia Pryor and family* ”

Julia Pryor - November 13, 2024 at 12:51 PM



“ *Full Of Love Bouquet was purchased for the family of Deborah Opp.* ”



November 13, 2024 at 12:25 PM

LT

“ *So sorry for your family's loss! Lots of great memories with Debbie from school to college! I enjoyed seeing her smiling face at MDH and she will definitely be missed! Prayers for comfort and strength to her family! Sincere sympathy, Lisa* ”



Lisa Jill Ulrich Thompson - November 13, 2024 at 12:12 PM

RN

“ One of the nicest people I ever had the pleasure of knowing. Rest in loving peace Deb



Rhonda Neeley - November 13, 2024 at 12:07 PM

SB

“ Many wonderful memories of Debbie in HS. She was Always so kind & a ray of sunshine. Always a smile on her face. So very sorry for her families loss, may all your wonderful memories help give you comfort in the days ahead.

Susie Begbie - November 13, 2024 at 12:06 PM

LW

“ No words, just prayers and love for you all 🙏❤️

Lori and Dan Wright - November 13, 2024 at 11:32 AM



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November 13, 2024 at 11:27 AM

BL

“ *Brad & Melody Lynn lit a candle in memory of Deborah Opp*



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**Brad & Melody Lynn** - November 13, 2024 at 11:24 AM



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November 13, 2024 at 11:24 AM

DM

“ *Debbie was one of the sweetest person we have had the privilege to know. The love of the Lord shone through her in all she did. Always had a big smile. We are so sorry to her whole family, I know she will be missed  
Ed & Denise Martin*

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**Denise Martin** - November 13, 2024 at 11:23 AM