



## Marion Kaye Stimpson

February 23, 1947 - February 5, 2026

Marion Kaye (Rourke) Stimpson peacefully passed away at her home on Thursday, February 5th, 2026, in Havana, IL. She was born February 23rd, 1947 at her home in Watertown, Michigan to Kenneth and Ethyl Rourke. She married Edwin Stimpson Jr. on February 14th, 1970 at Watertown Methodist Church, Watertown Michigan.

Preceding Marion in death were her father, Kenneth Rourke, mother, Ethyl Rourke, baby brother James, brother Kenny Rourke, and sister Paula (Rourke) Nugent. She is survived by husband, Edwin Stimpson, her two children, Jennifer and Dauson Stimpson of Havana, Illinois and one sister Georgia (Rourke) Wilson of Carsonville, Michigan.

Marion was born in her home in Watertown, Michigan, during a blizzard with her sister Georgia announcing her arrival by calling "Baby, baby, baby" from her crib. Marion went on to attend a one room school house before moving to Sandusky, Michigan where she graduated from Sandusky High School in 1965. After graduation she held a few jobs, most notably at WMIC radio station where she met Edwin Stimpson in 1969. Edwin asked Marion to help him break in a new pair of shoes by going on a walk on their first date and the two were married February 14th, 1970. Marion and Edwin moved to Havana, Illinois in 1972 after purchasing WDUK radio station. In 1977, the couple lovingly adopted their first child, Jennifer, and in 1985 opened their hearts

again, adopting Dauson.

Marion became an active member of the community of Havana, by being involved in her children's school activities, joining and becoming president and vice president of the Havana Women's Club, as well as the Havana Area Prevention Team where she also served as president and vice president. She also attended the Jacksonville Area Independent Living visions support group held in Havana, Marion faithfully attended the Havana Church of Christ where she was involved in Sunday school classes, cooking for church dinners and potlucks. Marion was an avid reader, utilizing the Havana Public Library and later on in life, the Illinois Talking Book Library.

A memorial service will be held at the Havana Church of Christ on February 16th at 11:00am with visitation starting at 10:30am. Pastor Bill Boyce will be officiating. Lunch will be served in the fellowship hall following the service. A private burial will be held at a later date.

Memorial contributions may be presented to the Havana Food Pantry or the Havana Ministerial Association.

Hurley Funeral Home in Havana is in charge of arrangements.

# Previous Events

## Visitation

FEB 16. 10:30 AM - 11:00 AM (CT)

Havana Church of Christ  
350 S Broadway St  
Havana, IL 62644-1420  
(309) 543-2854

## Memorial Service

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# Tribute Wall

CM

“ Catherine Markley lit a candle in memory of Marion Stimpson



Catherine Markley - February 16 at 08:34 AM

FR

“ To her family....sorry for your loss, thinking of you all! Hugs\*



Frances - February 13 at 02:22 PM

CK

“ I first met Marion in the late 70's. She came to the Mason County Fair and interviewed the superintendents of the buildings. Then we were in Women's Club together. What a great lady. She will be missed. Prayers to the family. Sorry for your loss

Carol Fisk Kolves - February 10 at 11:29 AM

CD

“ Cindy Dainty lit a candle in memory of Marion Stimpson



Cindy Dainty - February 09 at 07:00 PM

LC

“ Lisa Christen lit a candle in memory of Marion Stimpson



Lisa Christen - February 09 at 10:28 AM

RB

“ I'm thankful that I got to know Marion through Woman's Club. I loved visiting with her at our meetings. She was such a loving, caring, and intelligent woman. Marion will be missed by all who knew her.

Rita Badger - February 08 at 09:19 AM

NF

“ Nancy & Len Stephens & Our Family purchased the Basket of Memories for the family of Marion Kaye Stimpson.



Nancy & Len Stephens & Our Family - February 07 at 05:21 PM

CH

“ My sincerest of condolences to the family. "Mom" was a very nice lady, she'll be deeply missed.



CH. Charles Hunter - February 07 at 12:37 PM

LH

“ *Larry And Mary Hundt sent a virtual gift in memory of Marion Kaye Stimpson*



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**Larry and Mary Hundt** - February 07 at 10:43 AM

RB

“ *Marion was so easy to talk to, she will be missed*



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**Robin Baughman** - February 07 at 10:11 AM

JT

“ *Prayers and condolences*



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**jennifer trimpe** - February 06 at 11:51 PM

TS

“ Tim and I were beyond blessed to have had the privilege of getting to know Marion better these past few years. Her faith- her sense of humor- and her love for her family are just a few of her many attributes that made her so beautiful. She had the most soothing and comforting voice- and many people were blessed on their birthday's to receive a phone call from Marion, singing to them a special birthday song. She brought sincere love and joy to all who knew her. Praying God comforts her family in this time of great loss.

Tim and Leslie Sickmeyer - February 06 at 06:42 PM

CB

“ We are so sorry about Marion's passing. We loved her very much. The family of Mark & Carol Buchanan

carol buchanan - February 06 at 06:33 PM

ES

“ So sorry for her family's loss! We will miss her at church and Woman's Club. Prayers for comfort for her family.



Elva Stigall - February 06 at 04:33 PM

LU

“ Lisa J Ulrich-Thompson lit a candle in memory of Marion Stimpson



Lisa J Ulrich-Thompson - February 06 at 04:06 PM

TT

“ *Tim and Tanya lit a candle in memory of Marion Stimpson*



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**Tim and Tanya** - February 06 at 04:00 PM



“ *Such a loving woman; I'm so blessed to have known her most of my life. I will cherish my last time visiting with her and hearing her sing to me. I'm so sorry for your loss and I will be praying for you all. You have my deepest condolences.*



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**Kendra Braden** - February 06 at 03:59 PM



“ *Amber Lynn lit a candle in memory of Marion Stimpson*



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**Amber Lynn** - February 06 at 03:24 PM

DW

“ *Dan and Chris Wilson lit a candle in memory of Marion Stimpson*



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**Dan and Chris Wilson** - February 06 at 02:37 PM

MJ

“ *Michele Jump lit a candle in memory of  
Marion Stimpson*



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**Michele Jump** - February 06 at 01:55 PM