



Laura McKaig

April 30, 2020

Laura May McKaig, a resident of Dresden, passed away peacefully at the CKHA-Public General Campus in Chatham on Thursday, April 30, 2020 at the age of 88. Laura was daughter of the late Joseph Earl and Jessie Marie (Manning) Deacon and sister Martha. She was predeceased by her beloved husband, Melvin Wesley McKaig in 2003. Loving mother of Dennis and Darla McKaig. Cherished Nanny to Tyler (Jemina) and Laura. Cherished great Nanny to Dante, Gisele, and Aria. Laura, a member of Charlemont Free Methodist Church, was known as a prayer warrior and a passionate Monarchist and Royal follower. Although she did not die of covid19, it nonetheless stole a family's last hours to say goodbye, hold hands, and comfort each other. A private family internment will be held at the Dresden Cemetery. A proper and well deserved celebration of Laura's life will be announced at a later date. If desired, remembrances to the charity of your choice may be left at the Haycock-Cavanagh Funeral home in Wallaceburg 519-627-3231. Online tributes may be left at www.CavanaghFuneralHome.ca

-- Smile when you see a cardinal for she is near --

Tribute Wall



“ *Laura McKaig*

January 29, 2023 at 11:37 PM



“ *Darla so sorry to hear of your mom's passing. Thinking of you. Kim White*

Kim White - May 13, 2020 at 11:39 PM



“ *Laura always made me feel so welcome and loved, she was so very special. And I'll never forget our cups of tea and long chats.*

Raven Day - May 06, 2020 at 07:46 PM



“ *Dennis and Darla so sad to hear of your Mother's passing I have very fond memories of Laura from my childhood and often think of her and you kids and how things are in your life May knowing that your mom is in heaven give you peace. Thinking of you both and your family at this time.*

Crystal skinner - May 06, 2020 at 07:15 PM



“ *To Dennis and family, very sorry for your loss.
Rob Stewart and family*

Rob Stewart - May 05, 2020 at 10:21 PM



“ *I was so sad to hear of your mom's passing Darla! She was such a sweet lady. Always very friendly and beautiful inside and out! She will be so missed in the Dresden community. Thinking of you in your loss!*

Sharon Jackson

Sharon Jackson - May 04, 2020 at 11:22 AM

LI

“ I have very fond memories of Laura during my childhood and onward. She will be missed. I can still remember my postcard from her when she visited Buckingham Palace!
Lisa (Browning) Jacques



Lisa - May 04, 2020 at 10:43 AM

TS

“ Todd And Carol Babcock (nee Shaw) lit a candle in memory of Laura McKaig



Todd and Carol Babcock (nee Shaw) - May 03, 2020 at 01:26 PM

JS

“ Dennis: I worked with your Mom at Audreys and we became instant friends. From what she has shared with me over the years, you must have inherited her sense of humor. That is a good thing. She was a wonderful lady. Her faith was like none other. She prayed for my kids, grandkids, my friends grandkids. I have her latest picture on my china cabinet and can see her smile every day. She arranged a 75th birthday get together for me the Friday before her heart surgery. It will always be a very special memorable occasion for me, as well as all the tea in her china cups. We shared many lunches, shopping excursions phone calls and laughs. She will be missed. Cherish your memories - she was a true Christian and friend. She has finished her work here and has moved on to watch over all of us from above.
Joan Smith

Joan Smith - May 03, 2020 at 12:19 PM

JL

“ Dennis, Darla and family we are sorry to hear about the passing of Laura. What a wonderful example of genuine Christian faith and devotion to prayer was her life to all who knew her and loved her. Will miss her smile and chats at Tim Hortons as she was having coffee with a friend. You are in our thoughts and prayers at this time of loss.

John and Laurie Lang

John & Laurie Lang - May 03, 2020 at 09:09 AM

SS

“ Dear Darla, Dennis and family,
I am truly saddened to hear of Laura's passing. She was such a kind and loving lady. I had known your Mom and Dad from their business but when your Mom came to work at the store that is when I really came to know her. We shared stories about our families and she was always so proud of all of you. I will always remember her fondly.

With my sincerest sympathy
Sue Stewart

Sue Stewart - May 02, 2020 at 09:37 PM

TC

“ Tracy Cornhill lit a candle in memory of Laura McKaig



Tracy Cornhill - May 02, 2020 at 08:57 PM

KF

“ Kevin Babcock And Family lit a candle in memory of Laura McKaig



Kevin Babcock and Family - May 02, 2020 at 05:51 PM

AB

“ Dennis and Darla, our sincere sympathy to you at this very difficult time, made more difficult by Covid 19. May you hold all the treasured memories of your Mom close to your hearts to help you get through this time. Allan and Heather Bedford.

Allan and Heather Bedford - May 02, 2020 at 03:05 PM

JS

“ Dear Laura Such a kind and loving soul. Also so pleasant and such a strong faith. She always put a smile on your face taking to her.
Our thoughts and prayers are with her family, May God give you peace that your Mom is in a wonderful heavenly place.
Julie and Dan Shaw

Julie Shaw - May 02, 2020 at 12:26 PM

MC

“ Marilyn Clauws lit a candle in memory of Laura McKaig



Marilyn Clauws - May 02, 2020 at 11:20 AM

MR

“ MaryLou & Emily Racz sent a virtual gift in memory of Laura McKaig



MaryLou & Emily Racz - May 02, 2020 at 11:02 AM

SM

“ To Darla and all who loved Laura we send our deepest sympathy. May the many memories of her help you through this difficult time.

Sarah and Jeff Meredith - May 02, 2020 at 10:43 AM

GH

“ Dennis, Darla and family....Where to begin? What will we miss? Who will pray for all of us? Laura McKaig.....her famous words: ISN'T THIS NICE? Her smile! Her enthusiasm! Her fashion statements! Her unconditional love for her family! Her faith in her church but more importantly in her God! What a legacy she has left behind! Rejoice in your wonderful memories of one grand lady....Laura McKaig.
Love to all,
Glenda and Irving Hale

Glenda Hale - May 02, 2020 at 10:05 AM

RB

“ Darla, Dennis, and family, we are saddened to learn of Laura's passing. I always experienced her as a sweet saint of God. Though our contact was sparse over the years, she always treated me as a life-long friend. Ray Babcock

Ray Babcock - May 02, 2020 at 10:03 AM

BC

“ Darla and Dennis: How blessed you were to have her as your Mother. Throughout her precious years she touched so many lives. As John’s Nanny she instilled Gods love for him and helped shape him into the man he has become today. She loved unconditionally, forgave quickly and prayed fiercely. Please know how loved she was and what a wonderful lady she was 🇬🇧

Betty Ann & Dan Chase - May 02, 2020 at 09:52 AM

LM

“ Dennis, Darla and family, so sorry to hear of your loss. A loss to everyone who knew Laura. She left a beautiful legacy in this community. Her loving kindness has made a difference in many lives. May you experience the peace and comfort of the Lord Jesus.

Linda McFadden - May 02, 2020 at 08:56 AM

SM

“ Sending our condolences to Darla and all who loved her, she was a remarkable woman. May the many memories of her help you through this difficult time.

Sarah and Jeff Meredith - May 02, 2020 at 08:43 AM

LH

“ Darla, Dennis and family we are so very sorry to hear of your mom’s passing. When I hear your mom’s name mentioned I see her smile each and every time She was always smiling ! She was a truly wonderful person and I know she was a proud mom, grandma and great grandmaand was know to others as mom and grandma too ! She will be missed by many
Our Deepest Sympathy with hugs
Lorrie Handsor and family
And my mom send her condolences as well
Helen Welch

lorrie handsor - May 02, 2020 at 08:38 AM

MP

“ Thinking of you Darla, my condolences to you and your Family ❤️

Mary Ellen Pishl - May 02, 2020 at 08:20 AM

BJ

“ Barb Jaruga lit a candle in memory of Laura McKaig



Barb Jaruga - May 02, 2020 at 08:18 AM

RL

“ Dennis , Darla and family , Our sincere sympathy in the loss of your Mother . She was a special person . Ron & Helen Law

Ron & Helen Law - May 01, 2020 at 11:46 PM

BS

“ Betty Solomon sent a virtual gift in memory of Laura McKaig



Betty Solomon - May 01, 2020 at 09:02 PM

JS

“ We all lost our biggest ally and Prayer Warrior! Our hearts are so sad, we hurt for Darla, Dennis, Laura, Tyler and family as we know how she deeply loved you all. Her face glowed as she talked of her grandkids and great grandkids. She was a very proud mom and Nanny! So many of us have been in her prayer journals for years and our kids and grandkids are on her prayer wall. She left big shoes to fill and a big whole in our hearts. While we mourn, we also can't help but be thrilled for her! This is the day that she LIVED her life for!! To finally be face to face with her Lord and Saviour! “When we all get to Heaven, what a day of rejoicing that will be! When we all see Jesus we'll sing and shout the victory!” Thanks Nanny for your unfailing love, your timeless wit and your constant prayers for us all. We will miss you!! We love you

❤️ Janny Baby

Janice Smith - May 01, 2020 at 08:57 PM

SC

“ My condolences go to Darla & All the Family on the passing of a beautiful Lady inside & out. May she Rest In Peace. Keeping Yu All in my prayers. Sandee Chandler.

Sandee Chandler. - May 01, 2020 at 08:54 PM

MD

“ We were saddened to hear of Laura's death. We had the privilege of knowing her for the last 19 years and considered her part of the family. She prayed for our family on a daily basis and those prayers will be missed very much. We pray that God will sustain your family and grant you the peace that only he can provide.

Marg & Stan Dyer - May 01, 2020 at 08:40 PM

SH

“ Hello Dennis and Darla. Although I believe we have never met I would like to send sincere condolences to both of you on the passing of your dear mother. My mother Marion Smith (nee Childs) came to know your mother very well during the early 1950's through their mutual attendance at the Alliance Church in Chatham. Also my mother's best friend Maxine Legate (nee Bergy) came to know Laura very well when Maxine and Laura both boarded at Maxine's sister Justine's home in Chatham in the 1959's. I spoke at length with Maxine today about Laura. Maxine told me many lovely stories of your mother. Maxine fondly reminisced of your mother's longtime admiration for nice clothing amongst other things. But more than anything Maxine recalled your mother as a faithful servant of our Lord and took great consolation in knowing that Laura will be at peace in her eternal home. You will remain in our prayers as you grieve the loss of your dear mother. May your beautiful memories of Laura bring you and your family much comfort now and in the days ahead. Warmest regards on behalf of my mom Marion, Maxine and myself. Take care, Susanne Smith Horvath

Susanne Smith Horvath - May 01, 2020 at 08:36 PM

MA

“ Hi Dennis, so sorry to hear about the passing of your mom.

Mark - May 01, 2020 at 08:13 PM

BS

“ Betty Solomon lit a candle in memory of Laura McKaig



Betty Solomon - May 01, 2020 at 08:10 PM

JC

“ Laura was such a kind and caring, beautiful person. We always knew she would pray for us during different times in our lives. She was a good listener, who would never judge. She was always happy and smiling. So sorry Dennis and Darla and family for the loss of your dear Mom. Heaven has gained another angel!💕

Judy Cibulka - May 01, 2020 at 07:53 PM

JE

“ Darla, Dennis and family, I'm so sorry for your loss but so very happy for Laura. She is reunited with Mel and I know she was looking forward to it. She has been an inspiration to me for many years and I will always be grateful that Karen introduced me to "Miss Laura". She will be missed by so many.

Janet Ermers - May 01, 2020 at 07:49 PM

BB

“ Darla and family....so sorry to hear of your loss...your Mom was a beautiful person and I have fond memories of her from our younger years. Take care. Brenda Broad

Brenda Broad - May 01, 2020 at 07:39 PM

MC

“ Dear Dennis, Darla and family. I was so sorry to hear of your Mum's passing! She was a lovely lady and I always enjoyed catching up with her at Camp! Hugs! Mim Carne

mim carne - May 01, 2020 at 07:26 PM

LL

“ Darla, I'm saddened to learn of the loss of your mother. A mother's love is forever.

Lori (Armstrong) Lawrence - May 01, 2020 at 07:10 PM

LD

“ So sorry for Your Loss! We have lost our Dresden " Angel" our Dresden "Queen"! We will all miss Laura tremendously! Our thoughts and Prayers are sent your way.💕🙏

Louise Dakin - May 01, 2020 at 06:57 PM

BM

“ Dennis, Darla and Tyler and family. We were so sorry to hear about your mom. And grandma. Laura was such a lovely, classy lady. Always made you feel special. Her faith was so strong the love of her Lord always shone through. Thoughts and prayers. Al and Brenda Mifflin.

Brenda Mifflin - May 01, 2020 at 06:53 PM

TF

“ The Newkirk Family lit a candle in memory of Laura McKaig



The Newkirk Family - May 01, 2020 at 06:48 PM

RH

“ So sorry for your loss Dave and Rhonda



Rhonda - May 01, 2020 at 06:37 PM

RG

“ We extend our sincere sympathy to Dennis and Darla and all the family at this time of loss. We have such fond memories of Laura and always appreciated her devotion to God, family, church and friends. Her prayers will be missed by many.

Roger and Ruth Gast - May 01, 2020 at 06:08 PM

L(

“ Dear Dennis and Darla
So sad to hear about your mom. I will always remember our New Year's Day visits to your home, to watch the parades, as you were the first family to have a colour tv. Great Dresden memories. Hopefully your mom and my mom are having a chat.

Linda (Simmons)Gilbert - May 01, 2020 at 05:56 PM

JB

“ Heaven’s gain is our loss.
It is hard to think of a more gentle loving or giving soul.
You felt blessed by just being in her presence. Always greeted with a heart to heart hug!
If you needed a true “prayer warrior” Laura would be the one that you would want to go to battle for you!
Cardinals were definitely her thing AND there was one serenading me in my backyard earlier today before I read this obituary.
Always loved and you will always be remembered lovingly!
Sending a virtual ❤️ to ❤️ Hug

Jackie Bernard

jJackie Bernard - May 01, 2020 at 05:13 PM

DJ

“ So sorry to hear of your loss... Laura always had such a beautiful smile when we would see her, and always had a lovely memory she would share...sending along our sympathy to you and your family

Dianne n Rob Jackson - May 01, 2020 at 05:11 PM

LC

“ Dennis, Darla and family. Am saddened to hear of Laura's passing. She was a great lady, she will be remembered always. Our thoughts and prayers are with you all May you rest in peace Laura. Love, Luanne, Chris Corie Chad and families
xxoo

Luanne Clark - May 01, 2020 at 04:52 PM

AS

“ Anne Spurgeon lit a candle in memory of Laura McKaig



Anne Spurgeon - May 01, 2020 at 04:49 PM

GF

“ Laura was a wonderful person. I will never forget the kind smiles and loving words that I have received from her for most of my life. She was someone who constantly thought about others and prayed for them. Laura will be greatly missed by all who have any connection to the Charlemont community. Rest in peace and joy. My sincere condolences to Dennis and to Darla and family.

Grace Forget - May 01, 2020 at 04:46 PM

CB

“ Sorry for your loss. Your mom was a great friend to Curt's mom. They will be reconnecting in heaven.

Curt & Cheryl Babcock - May 01, 2020 at 04:22 PM

CS

Darla and family. We were very sorry to hear of your mom's passing. Our thoughts and prayers are with you.

John and Cathy Smith- calgary

cathy smith - May 01, 2020 at 09:25 PM

BS

“ Dear Darla I'm so very sorry to see this today. Whenever I'd ask you about your Mom your face would always light right up. I'm so very sorry that this virus has stopped us all from paying our respects to your dear Mother in person. May your beautiful memories of your Mother help heal your heart. Sincerely Beth Studnicka



Beth Studnicka - May 01, 2020 at 04:09 PM

CZ

Darla was so sorry to hear of your beautiful Mom who was loved by so many. Keep her in your memories and grandchildren. She will always be with you all. Cathy & Marty Zruna

Cathy Zruna - May 01, 2020 at 04:53 PM

FJ

So sorry to hear of you dear, sweet mother passing. She was dearly loved by all who knew her.

Fran Jacklin

Fran Jacklin - May 01, 2020 at 10:28 PM

CD

*Dearest Darla & Families,
I was so sorry to hear of Laura's passing,
But I know Mel & many others who have passed before her, will truly be so happy to see her! May you rest in peace sweet Laura 🌸
Cindy Morgan DeBeck, xo*

Cindy DeBeck - May 01, 2020 at 11:02 PM

MM

Our condolences Dennis, Darla and family. Your mom's wall in her prayer room was one thing she took to heaven with her and the many souls that will follow when they too are called home .Jesus has a claim on all those names because of your mom's faithfulness' Blessings. Margaret and Diane Martin

MARGARET MARTIN - May 05, 2020 at 09:24 AM

SH

*Dennis and Darla
You are blessed to have grown up with such a wonderful mother.
She was such a loving lady and she will be missed by so many people. Her beautiful smile always made me feel special.
I am glad that our paths crossed, and I got to meet her.*

Shirley Hawthorne

Shirley Hawthorne - May 05, 2020 at 09:46 AM