



Fae E. Shalda

February 8, 1931 - December 24, 2019

TRAVERSE CITY – Fae E. Shalda, age 88, of Empire, passed away on Tuesday, December 24, 2019 at the McLaren Hospital in Mt. Pleasant in the loving care of her family.

Fae was born to Thomas and Hattie (Hill) Hope on February 8, 1931 in Bellaire, MI.

Fae lived in the Traverse City region all of her life. She was very proud of the fact that she lived on the 45th parallel. She was employed with Glen Lake Public Schools as a secretary and bus driver for 28 years, retiring in 1994. Fae was a member of Bethlehem Lutheran Church in Glen Arbor, TOPS and Bunko Club. She was very active at church and was the church treasurer, usher, and alter guild. Fae enjoyed cross-stitch and cross-stitched her Christmas cards every year, over 55 per year.

Fae is survived by her daughters; Shirley (Dale) Kucera, Ann (John) Everett, grandchildren; Erin, Jennie, Ashley, Tony, and Adam, great-grandchildren; Payton, Mallory, Mary Cait and Piper, sibling, Stuart (Rosemary) Hope, and nieces; Carol, Janice, Monica, and nephews; Larry and Louis

Fae was preceded in death by her husband, Lee “Roy”, parents, brother, Cecil Hope, and sister, Merna Wilks.

A funeral service for Fae will take place on Monday, December 30, 2019 at 1:00 pm with a visitation one hour prior to the service. Pastor Daniel Dockery will officiate. A luncheon will be held at the funeral home immediately following the service. Fae will be laid to rest next to her husband at Grand Traverse Memorial Gardens in the Spring of 2020.

In lieu of flowers the family asks that memorial contributions be directed to the Alzheimer’s Association, 921 W. 11th Street, Suite 1W, Traverse City, MI 49684.

Cemetery

Grand Traverse Memorial Gardens

3575 Veterans Drive

Traverse City, MI, 49684

Events

DEC **Visitation** 12:00PM - 01:00PM

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Reynolds-Jonkhoff Funeral Home

305 Sixth St, Traverse City, MI, US, 49684

DEC **Funeral Service** 01:00PM

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Comments



“ Dear Shirley,
Thank you for all the images of you and your mother, especially in the last few months. Two very bright lights! I am thinking of you during this difficult time.
Love,
Jennifer Mesch

Jen Mesch - December 30, 2019 at 01:02 AM



“ Dear Jen - Thanks for enjoying the pictures of my Mom and I. I just didn't have enough energy or time to respond to everyone individually over the last few months and wanted to share with as many that were able to see on FB. I will miss her tremendously, but know she's in a good place that she's lived her entire life the right way to get there. Plus she's with my Dad again. Thank you for your kind words. They mean the world to me. Love,
Shirley

shirley - December 30, 2019 at 10:32 PM



“ Oh, by the way, I meant to mention what a kick we got out of how your mom loved to toss the frisbee to our dog! She would reminisce about your childhood dog while playing with Frankie. So heartwarming...

Dale Wyman

Dale Wyman - December 29, 2019 at 06:36 PM



“ Thanks Dale! She loved your Frankie! She loved our childhood dog too. Great memories! Thanks for your help while you lived by Mom. Very much appreciated.

shirley - December 29, 2019 at 09:03 PM



“ Thank you Dale. Mom loved to play with our dogs when she stayed with us too. Thanks for sharing this memory.

Mickey Everett - January 03 at 05:29 PM



“ It's rather difficult to know exactly where to start. Fae was such an exceptional woman, and such an integral part of Glen Lake Schools that it is almost impossible to separate the two. I met Fae when I began teaching in the old school in Empire in 1966; that year was an adventure, but also one of the best in a life time of teaching. It did not matter what task Fae undertook; it was always done with meticulous precision, thoroughness, and top quality work. If we wanted a job done well... we gave it to Fae.

One of my happiest memories of Fae was seeing her realize a lifetime dream of visiting Hawaii. She saved long and hard for that trip, and I don't think anyone ever visited Hawaii who enjoyed and appreciated it more than she did.

She was a devoted wife and mother. Her two daughters have provided her with many rewards earned from the care and love she lavished on them.

I shall always treasure her memory. As I type this, I can look on my desk and see a beautifully hand stitched work of art she gave me for my birthday in 1994. It says, "To teach is to touch a life forever." She touched the lives of many, and we are all grateful to her. Rest well in God's keeping, Fae. You have certainly earned your place in Heaven.

Mary F. Frixen - December 29, 2019 at 07:29 AM



“ Mary, thank you for such a beautiful testimonial to my mom. Your memories bring tears to my eyes. Thank you for being mom's friend. Mickey

Mickey Everett - December 29, 2019 at 03:21 PM



“ Mary - we truly appreciate your kind words and memories of our Mom. She was one of a kind and loved being a Laker. Thank you for your kindness. Shirley

shirley - December 29, 2019 at 09:12 PM



“ Shirley and Mickey, we are so sorry to hear about your mom. She was such a sweet neighbor; we are so glad to have known her. Even though we've been gone for over a year, we have often thought of Fae.

Dale & Mike Wyman

Dale Wyman - December 28, 2019 at 08:42 PM



“ Thank you, Dale, for your kind words and being such a good neighbor. Mickey

Mickey Everett - December 29, 2019 at 03:22 PM



“ I remember working with your Mom at the Dune Stand making ice cream cones, serving hot dogs, and telling tourist stories. It was great to work with her. Later I remember her being in the office at the school. Great lady.

Kathy - December 28, 2019 at 10:53 AM



“ Thank you Kathy for sharing your memories of mom. It helps to hear how many people's lives she touched. Mickey

Mickey Everett - December 28, 2019 at 04:49 PM



“ Kathy - Thanks for your kind words and beautiful memories of our Mom. They are very much appreciated. Shirley

shirley - December 29, 2019 at 09:14 PM



“ Fae was my athletic director secretary for 18 years in addition to all her other duties at Glen Lake Schools. She was an amazing woman who really ran the whole school from her secretary's desk. She was pleasant hard working and honest and a true Laker fan. She was “the office” in the 70s and 80s and will be always remembered as such. Thank you Fae. Love Coach Don Miller

don miller - December 28, 2019 at 06:48 AM



“ Thanks for your kind words and memories, Don. Very good for the family to hear right now. And you're right, she was a true Laker fan. Thanks, Shirley

shirley - December 28, 2019 at 09:30 AM



“ Thank you, Don. We appreciate your kind words. Hearing memories people are sharing is very heartwarming. She loved being involved in the school. Thanks again, Mickey

Mickey Everett - December 28, 2019 at 04:37 PM



“ Mickey, We are so sorry to hear about your mother, she was so much fun to sit back and listen to her stories living in Empire. Thank you for sharing your mom when she came to visit especially at Erin's birthday parties. It is so hard losing a parent especially over the holidays She is at peace with your dad now treasure the memories she loved you very much

Love
The Hydon's
Rick, Trish and Kristin

The Hydon's - December 28, 2019 at 12:31 AM



“ Thank you very much Hydon family. She loved to talk to people and never seemed to lack for a story. She is at peace, and that comforts me. Thanks again, Mickey

Mickey Everett - December 28, 2019 at 04:41 PM



“ I was Fae's office aid during my Junior year at Glen Lake. She was nothing less than a Great Lady. I am sorry to hear of her passing.

So sorry for your loss,
Doug Thomas.

Doug - December 27, 2019 at 11:10 PM



“ Doug - Thank you for sharing! Mom loved her aides!! Shirley

shirley - December 28, 2019 at 09:31 AM



“ Thank you Doug. She really did have a special place in her heart for her office aides.

Mickey

Mickey Everett - December 28, 2019 at 04:43 PM



“ Erin, We are so sorry to hear of your a Grandma Shalda passing what a beautiful tribute to Fae .We knew how much you enjoyed visiting her in the summer.with your mother. I had the pleasure when they both came to visit Marshall when you lived at the apartments to meet such wonderful Grandparents. She loved to talked about her book binding repairs as much as I loved hearing about it. Your Grandpa Shalda was calling her home and now they are together again. You were so lucky to have her for a Grandma.

Love The Hydon's
Rick, Trish and Kristin

The Hydon's - December 27, 2019 at 10:08 PM



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Mickey Everett - December 28, 2019 at 04:50 PM



“ Fae always had a story to tell. She had a great life and sure did love her family. I am so happy to have known her. Mickey, thank you for sharing her with your other side of the family. I know Dad really enjoyed seeing her and hearing stories. She never stopped living HER life.

Debbie - December 27, 2019 at 06:45 PM



“ Thank you Deb. She loved you all.

Mickey Everett - December 27, 2019 at 09:13 PM



“ Fae Shalda was an iconic figure at Glen Lake School. She was loved and respected by all. Rest In Peace, dear Fae.

Mary Dame - December 27, 2019 at 11:57 PM



“ Thank you, Mary. We all appreciate your kind words. Mickey

Mickey Everett - December 28, 2019 at 04:45 PM



“ Shirley, we are so sorry for your loss. We will keep you in our thoughts through this difficult time. Know that she loved you very much and that she was with you. God bless you and your family

barb crapo - December 27, 2019 at 05:25 PM



“ Thank you so much, Barb! Your kind words & prayers mean so much. Shirley & family
shirley - December 27, 2019 at 07:31 PM



“ This makes me sad. I have so many great memories of her.
Number one: my Sr year on Sr skip day. Todd who is not a Sr is on the phone with his mom to see if he can skip a half day of school with me. Mr. Franco comes out and says Todd you are not going anywhere and walks back in his office. Todd's mom said he could go and Todd asked Mrs Shelda if he could go and she said yes if your mom said it was okay.
And when I was 20 years old and was Glen Lakes head wrestling coach she was so amazing to me. Helping guide me through the educational bureaucracy when I had no clue how to do it. And so many more memories. I will miss her.

Geoff Settles - December 27, 2019 at 05:21 PM



“ Geoff - Thanks for sharing your memories with ourMom. She was one special lady.
shirley - December 27, 2019 at 07:35 PM



“ Geoff, I loved hearing this story. Thank you for sharing this memory of our mom.
Mickey Everett - December 27, 2019 at 09:15 PM



“ I had the privilege of knowing Fae from living in Empire and attending Glen Lake Schools. Later, when I taught at Glen Lake for a year, I worked with Fae. She was always chiding me (in a friendly way) because I drove too fast on the way to school. I remember one time she called me out for passing on a double yellow. She was always looking out for all her "kids" no matter our age. She was one part drill sergeant, three parts mother. What a wonderful lady; we all had the utmost respect for her. Our prayers for her family as you grieve her passing.

Julie Adams-Bennett - December 27, 2019 at 04:21 PM



“ Julie - Thanks for your kind words and your memories!
shirley - December 27, 2019 at 07:37 PM



“ Julie, thank you for sharing this funny story of my mom. I can hear her now.

Mickey Everett - December 27, 2019 at 09:17 PM



“ Shirley - It was so obvious what kind of relationship you had with your Mom - I sure did enjoy all the pictures you shared of the two of you together. Though it's no consolation at the moment - You and the rest of your family now have a Beautiful Guardian Angel that will watch over you....My deepest condolences to your family.

Joanne Bidder Jumper - December 27, 2019 at 04:15 PM



“ Joanne - Thank you so much! It's nice to know you enjoyed me sharing our pictures. She was one special Mom and is definitely a Beautiful Guardian Angel now.

shirley - December 27, 2019 at 07:39 PM



“ Shirley and family....I know how much your Mom meant to all of you. Shirley, you always spoke of her with so much love. Sending love, hugs and prayers to all of you.

Tracy Pardue Smith

Tracy Pardue Smith - December 27, 2019 at 04:09 PM



“ Tracy - Thank you so much! She was the best and will be greatly missed.

shirley - December 27, 2019 at 07:41 PM