



Shirley E. Boes

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Mrs. Shirley E. Boes, age 80, went to be with her Heavenly Father on Saturday, March 19, 2016 in Muskegon. She was born June 26, 1935 in Fremont MI to Martin and Alice Tanis. Shirley married Allen Boes on September 29, 1953, and he preceded her in death in 2007. She was also preceded in death by their daughter, Cindy in 1955; sister, Helene Vandermey; and grandson, Christopher Boes. Shirley is survived by her sons, Richard (Karen) Boes, James (Debbie) Boes, and John (Monica) Boes all of Muskegon. Shirley had 10 Grandchildren and 3 Great Grandchildren. A woman of great independence, she lived in her home until the most recent illness. Shirley spent 4-5 days a week, during the summer, camping on Lake Cecile in Baldwin, often showing off her big catch of fish to the neighbors. She also enjoyed time she spent with her friends at Lake Community Bible Church. Shirley spent over 45 years as an Avon Representative. She was a member of Hope Reformed Church, where she continued her passion of helping the disabled by running the Friendship Program for over 40 years. Shirley loved volunteering for Love Inc., Muskegon Rescue Mission, Johnson Family Cancer Center, and Local Food Pantries. Her hobby of knitting provided 2-3 hats per week for patients at the Johnson Family Cancer Center. An avid crafter, Shirley made custom cards shared between the Johnson Center and Love Inc. Well known for her smile, and seldom showing a frown, she found humor in adversity, a trait shared by the entire family. Shirley loved watching her Grandkids' sporting events, concerts, and plays doing her best to never miss. Her love of sports made watching Michigan, Michigan State, Detroit Tigers and the Red Wings games a priority. FUNERAL SERVICES will be 11 AM Friday, March 25 at The Lee Chapel, 6291 S. Harvey St. (231) 798-1100. VISITATION with the family will be 6-8 PM Thursday, and 1 hour prior to the service, from 10-11 AM. In lieu of flowers, please consider memorial funds for the Muskegon Rescue Mission, Hope Reformed



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Friendship Ministries, and Love Inc. Share memories with the family online at
www.sytsemafh.com




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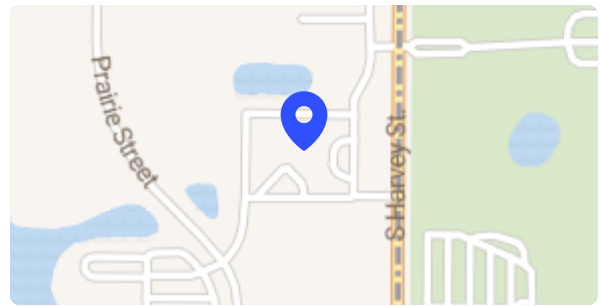
Visitation

 **Thursday**, March 24, 2016

 6:00 PM - 8:00 PM ET

 **Sytsema Funeral & Cremation Services - The Lee Chapel**

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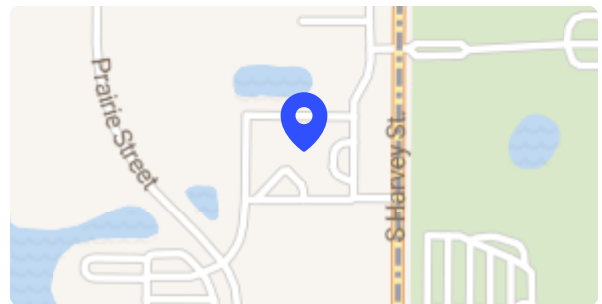
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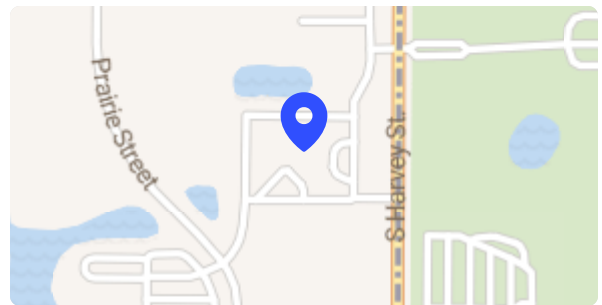
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Dee Diephouse Wolffis posted:

To the family of Shirley, I grew up with her at East Muskegon Church we shared lots of fun times. We also shared a love of music. We sang together many times. I moved to Grand Haven in 1954 and we kept in touch for quite a while. Then life happens and we drifted apart. I am sorry I did not know about her death or I would have come to express my sympathy in person. Also to Rick and Karen I am a cousin of Karen's. Sorry for your loss. Dee Diephouse Wolffis

March 25 at 3:45 PM



Louise lit a candle in honor of Shirley.



March 24 at 3:11 PM



Louise March 24 at 3:14 PM

Shirley was a remarkable person, always a smile, and so caring. Louise & Ernie



Linda Ferguson posted:

We hold you in our hearts and prayers during this sad time. We remember Shirley at Christian Care for her help with the Ice Cream Social, and , even more, for her love of the Friendship Group. When she led these dear people in song and memory work, her love and compassion for them was so evident. She was a great lady.

March 24 at 2:25 AM



Judy French lit a candle in honor of Shirley.

Sympathy and love to the Shirley E. Boes family esp. Rick and Karen. She was everything and much more of what was said about her. She was always smiling and helping others. Love and prayers, Judy & Larry French and all of the Brezinski/Breuker family!



March 23 at 5:00 PM



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RK

Ruth Kroeze posted:

My sympathy to the family of Shirley. The peace of our God be with you all. You have so many beautiful memories .Sincerely, Ruth Kroeze

March 21 at 4:01 PM

DW

Doug Witte posted:

Sorry to hear of Shirley's passing. I grew up on Ada and have known the Boes' my whole life. Prayers for the family.Doug Witte

March 21 at 10:32 AM

MH

Michelle Hommes posted:

I am so sorry to hear of Shirley's passing. She was such a wonderful lady with a beautiful sole. She touched everyone she met with her spunk and character. I will miss spending Tuesday afternoons with her. I had fun teaching her how our coffee machine worked and she was my helper keeping patients happy. I will also miss the goodies she brought us with inspirational quotes that I always loved. I was blessed having known her. My thoughts and prayers are with your family, May God bless you all, Chelley Hommes

March 21 at 5:28 AM

JZ

Jim & Gloria Zylstra lit a candle in honor of Shirley.



March 20 at 5:16 PM

JZ

Jim & Gloria Zylstra March 20 at 5:22 PM

Prayers for the Family. May Our WONDERFUL LORD wrap His Loving Arms around each one of you & give you His Peace & Comfort!!!! Shirley was a SPECIAL Christian Woman & Friend!!



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CR

Cindy Rudrow posted:

I just spent 20 minutes writing memories to share with you and it disappeared from my screen. rather than retype, I am going to believe that my laptop share it with you. So, I am going to pick up where I left off, I was talking about the camping trip to Maclnack (sp) and the Island. The water was really cold and you boys would not go in and swim. Brian, if he was there, Amy Mom and I had no such problem. We were going in swimming! The funniest thing there was when that darned old seagull bombed your mom, leaving that great big splat on her shoulder, also giving her a big bruise. Of course we all laughed, and she was good natured about it. It was interesting that on various visits how we occasionally paired off. It seems like one summer trip to Indiana, Rick and I were pals, leaving Jim and Brian to chum together. Then another trip it was visa versa. One of your trips down, I was sleeping on the roll away cot in the pool room. Mom woke me up when she lowered the windows. It was storming out, big time. The next day we learned that a tornado had touched down up on top of the hill about a mile or so away, hitting a barn, making it look like a giant had stepped right in the middle of it, leaving both ends sticking up I the air. I think another time, as we were playing on the hill behind the barn, somebody kicked down some small rocks and I got hit in the back of the head, leaving a trail of blood, scaring me to death. We enjoyed Rick and Karen's wedding, meeting Karen's dad. He was having a time accepting the name 'Butt' graciously. I remember Jim and Deb's wedding, I think this was where the handcuff's came in, inspiring Brian to threaten Ronnie at our wedding! Rick and Jim took a road trip and surprised me with a visit to my high school graduation party. You boys also videoed my wedding as a gist to us. I treasure the times our two families have spent together over the years. The friendship our parents forged all those years ago held together over time. They worked hard to provide for their families and instilled qualities of respect, honesty, hard work, love of God, and importance of friendships. We looked forward to those trips and as a kid I was sorry to see them end. If AL was like Dad, it was fun, but it could have ended sooner! It is so awesome to see that Brian and Rick have continued the tradition and that it extends to Andrea and Tina. Hmm, what else? Shirley's samples of Avon to go home with, like soap on a rope and lipstick samples, and Al's nightly routine of ice cream before bed. I always liked that at your house because we did not get that treat at home! Course, you were all skinny beanpoles and we could not claim that, so we were more restricted in our ice cream consumption. In spite of his health, your dad came down for our wedding. Or condolences in Shirley's passing. But, I know that you are rejoicing that she is reunited with Al, Cindy, and Chris. May your faith keep you uplifted in the days ahead. And maybe the next time ,John , you will catch that big fish! Maybe she just did not get the order in in a timely manner. I am sure she will do better on your next trip! Although it has been awhile since we have seen each other, know that I still love you all and am with you in my thoughts! Cindy Butt Rudrow, and Ronnie and Richie

March 19 at 6:10 PM



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Keith Vandermey posted:

This is the end of an era. Our grief at our loss will be swallowed up in victory when we see Aunt Shirley again in glory! I am certain that she will be missed by all who knew and loved her and, without any doubt, the radish growers.

March 20 at 10:07 AM



Keith Vandermey shared an album called **Photographic Memories.**



March 19 at 6:10 PM



Eloise Carlson lit a candle in honor of Shirley.

I will always remember Shirley and her sweet smile and loving hugs. She was a vital part of Hope Reformed Church and she will be deeply missed by all. Shirley was such a warm, caring, and loving lady. Rest in peace.

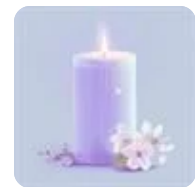


March 20 at 4:52 AM



D. Carlson lit a candle in honor of Shirley.

Shirley will be greatly missed by many. She was such a genuine lady and I love her so much. Rest in Peace, Shirley. ~ Danielle Carlson, Hope Reformed Church



March 20 at 3:28 AM



Jane Warren posted:

I sure will miss Shirley's smile and sense of humor - Her care of our Friendship students and her love and talent of making warm hats for those in need. My heart hurts as I am sure many others do as well. So happy to know though that she is with Jesus and her guys Al and Chris. My prayers are with her boys and families at this time. I know you have many great memories of her to help you. Russ will miss calling her "trouble" - oh the fun of their teasing. Love from Russ and Jane Warren from Hope Reformed

March 19 at 6:10 PM



Keith Vandermey shared 13 photos to the **Photographic Memories** album.

March 20 at 10:01 AM





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Memories only last if you share them

Join us in honoring Shirley by contributing to a collection of shared memories.



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