



Beverly M. Willey

February 19, 1934 - March 10, 2014

Beverly (Mrs. B) Willey, age 80, passed away on Tuesday March 10, 2014, at her home in Farwell. She was born the daughter of Lester and Lela (Coleman) Howe on February 19, 1934, in Kingsley, Michigan and graduated from Houghton Lake High School in 1952. Before retiring, Bev was an elementary school teacher in Farwell, Michigan. She enjoyed reading, knitting, cross stitching, and collecting giraffes. She was active in the community and served in the Farwell Labor Day Committee for many years. Bev will be remembered fondly by the many students' lives she touched throughout her 30 year career. Bev was preceded in death by her husband of 49 years Joseph (Joe) Willey. She is survived by their daughter and son-in-law Rose and Alex Szymanski of Farwell, her sister and brother-in-law Camilla and Ed Willey of Farwell, her sister and brother-in-law Nancy and Hank Ciarfella of Lockport, NY, her sister and brother-in-law Barbara and Jim Kenyon of Middleport, NY, her sister and brother-in-law Mary and John Gyde' of Creswell, OR, her brother and sister-in-law Art and Karen Howe of Oraville, CA, her step children Sherry Herber of Mount Pleasant, MI, Jerry Willey of Pickney, MI, Connie Napier of Mount Pleasant, MI, and many nieces, nephews and step grandchildren.

A celebration of Bev's life will take place on Saturday, April 26, at 2:00 PM at the Farwell Chapel of Stephenson-Wyman Funeral Home with visiting from 12 to 2 PM. In lieu of flowers the family asks that contributions be made to the Auld Lang Syne Scholarship Fund for Farwell students. Please send your contribution to: Auld Lang Syne, ATTN: Linda Miller, 2191 W. Ludington Dr,

Farwell, MI 48622. On-line guestbook at www.stephenson-wyman.com

Previous Events

Visitation

APR 26. 12:00 PM - 2:00 PM (ET)

Stephenson - Wyman Funeral Home (Farwell)

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Service

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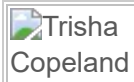
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Tribute Wall



Trisha
Copeland

“ *Mrs. B Willey was my first teacher at Farwell. She knew how to connect with the kids and had a huge impact on how much I loved school. She will definitely be missed!*

Trisha Copeland - April 12, 2014 at 12:57 AM



Chris
Oursler

“ *Oh Mrs. B. Wiley, my 6th grade teacher. She would give me unicorn stickers for every math lesson completed, and she read to us...READ to us. I will never forget her sitting down in front of the class with David and the Phoenix. We all groaned because we thought we were too old to listen to someone read aloud to us...by the end of class we wanted her to read more! It was the favorite part of our day. She was a wonderful teacher...and being that I am 40 years old...a memorable one as well. I will never forget her. Thank you Mrs. B. Willey.*

Chris Oursler - April 12, 2014 at 12:37 AM



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“ *To the family - I was one of many, many students Bev taught. She was my fourth grade teacher (and Camilla, my 6th grade teacher). Bev introduced me to the book *The Box Car Children*. That is one of my all time favorite stories.... I bought the book for my kids and read it to them too. Every time I read the book or see it, I think of Bev...on that bright, sunny morning as I stared at her long bookcases, filled with books, unable to decide what to read, when she said, "here's a book you might like." A teacher that introduces a child to reading for pleasure gives the greatest gift possible. Godspeed "Mrs. B. Willey".*

Robin Schmid - March 19, 2014 at 03:28 PM