



Roberta L. Shelby

June 9, 1955 - September 11, 2014

Roberta L.(Morrison) Shelby, 59, of Bergland and Iron Mountain, died Thurs. Sept. 11, 2014 at Dickinson County Memorial Hospital. She was born on June 9, 1955, the daughter of Ronald and Joan (Nystrom) Morrison. Roberta graduated from New Buffalo High School in 1973 and received her Bachelor's Degree from Northern Michigan University.

Roberta was a special education teacher for North Dickinson and Wakefield schools. She also was a substitute teacher for Wakefield and Ironwood schools.

Spending her summers at her family cottage on Lake Gogebic, Roberta became an avid swimmer. Combining her passions of teaching and swimming, she taught a student how to swim and helped him to become a Special Olympics champion.

Roberta also enjoyed reading, writing, rock collecting, and sewing. Roberta was a wonderful grandmother, "Nanny", spending time with her grandchildren and granddogs as often as she could.

She married Ken "Bird" Shelby, Jr. on Oct. 14, 1989 in Michigan City, IN.

Roberta is survived by her husband Ken, three children Dewey Morrison of Porterfield,WI, Allyson (Jim) Tregillis of Iron Mountain, MI, and Scott Shelby of Colorado Springs, CO, her father Ronald Morrison, Sr. of Bergland, MI, her brother Ronald Morrison, Jr. of Sierra Vista, AZ, four sisters Julianne Sheldon-Salas of New Buffalo,MI, Lily (Bob) Marx of Whitehall, MI, Ann Morrison of Bruce Crossing, MI, and Marilee (Al) Roth of Bridgman, MI, two grandchildren

Isabelle and Jacob Tregillis, many nieces, nephews, other relatives, and friends.

She was preceded in death by her mother Joan Morrison.

Private family services will be held at Roberta's family's cottage on Lake Gogebic.

Condolences to the family of Roberta L. Shelby may be expressed online at www.ernashfuneralhomes.com

The family has entrusted the Erickson-Rochon & Nash Funeral Home with the funeral arrangements.

Tribute Wall

MA

“ I am so sorry to find out about the passing of my old friend, Berta. We worked together in Minneapolis in the late 70s. I lost contact with her and have tried to find her over the years. I know it is two years later but I am sad to hear the news. It sounds like she had a life where she was loved by many. That does not surprise me. I am also saddened because my parents are originally from Iron Mountain and had I known where she was I could have visited her as I had been up there when she was living there. I hope there has been healing to her family since her passing. Maribeth (Chambers) Ashley

Maribeth Ashley - November 13, 2016 at 02:35 PM

PD

“ Farewell my friend...we will meet again. Dearest Kenny you are in my every thought.
Sincerely,
Phyl

Phyl Turner Deany - September 20, 2014 at 04:50 PM

RS

“ To the family of Roberta; Sharon & I were so saddened to hear of Roberta's passing. Know that we are remembering you now in our hearts. May God be with you all in this, your time of sorrow & may your hearts be touched by the love you have known and the joys you have shared. May you be comforted by the loving memories of her.
Warmest Regards,
Sharon & Bob Stella



Robert & Sharon Stella - September 20, 2014 at 07:01 AM

RH

“ We are so sorry about Roberta's passing, she was a great friend and Godmother to our daughter, she will be missed, prayers to the family.

Brad, Rhoda, Gentry and Shaye Huettl

Rhoda Huettl - September 16, 2014 at 12:49 AM

BT

“ Bill and I would like to express our sincere sympathy at the passing of Roberta. She was your daughter, sister, aunt, wife, mother and grandmother and I know she cared about being the best she could in each of those roles. It was obvious she loved all of you very much.

I would often visit with her as she taught at Wakefield-Marenisco. The students enjoyed having "Mrs. Shelby" as their teacher and I know she enjoyed being with them. You were fortunate to have her in your life.

If there is anything we can do for you, please ask. You know we only live a few doors down from the family cottage. Her smile and quick wit will be missed.

Bill and Coko Toomey

Bill Mary (Coko) Toomey - September 15, 2014 at 08:35 PM

LT

“ I am so sad to hear about Roberta. She was awesome with the students she worked with. She took their learning to places that they wouldn't have gone without her. I loved working with her, and truly learned many things from her. I will miss her, she is irreplaceable. My deepest sympathy for your loss.



Lisa Talon - September 15, 2014 at 12:15 PM

RC

“ So sorry to hear about Berta's passing. She was a very nice person and I wish the best in this time of sorrow for Bird and all the family.
Randy Craig



Randy Craig - September 14, 2014 at 11:16 PM

IS

“ I ' sorry to hear about Roberta , my prayers are with you and your family in this difficult time. Ila

ila sandstrom - September 14, 2014 at 10:08 PM

KM

“ It came as a shock to most of us here at Wakefield-Marenisco School to learn of the passing of Roberta. No one here knew she was sick or would have even guessed it. We wanted to let you know what a wonderful person we thought Roberta was. She became a part of our staff through substitute teaching here quite a bit. She was super with the kids! Just about every student in our school knew her and respected her because they could tell she cared about them. Staff members always felt at ease knowing that if Mrs. Shelby was filling in for them in their classroom, everything would be fine that day. She was one of the most responsible people we had coming into our school to help us. She will be greatly missed by the students and staff here. Your family is in our thoughts and prayers.

Kathy & Brandon Makela - September 14, 2014 at 02:54 PM

TW

“ You are in my thoughts and prayers.



Tracy Weaver - September 14, 2014 at 07:41 AM

BM

“ My deepest sympathy for your family's loss.
You are in my thoughts and prayers



brock martin - September 13, 2014 at 08:20 PM

JJ

“ My deepest sympathy for your family's loss. You are in my thoughts
and prayers during this difficult time God Speed home Roberta R I P

John Joyce - September 13, 2014 at 02:05 PM

SF

“ I would like to offer my deepest sympathies to you. Although we haven't met, all of us have experienced the loss of a loved one. I recently lost my mother and know the pain of a broken heart. Our Heavenly Father feels our pain. Psalms 34:18 assures us that He is near to those broken at heart. He does, however, hold out a promise that in the very near future He will wipe out all tears of sorrow and pain from our eyes and death will be no more. (Revelation 21:3-5) He also promises to remember all those in the memorial tombs (graves) and restore them to life. (John 5:28,29) Until those words are fulfilled, may you find much peace and comfort in God and in His promises found in the Holy Scriptures.

S Ford - September 13, 2014 at 12:50 PM



“ Florist Choice Bouquet was purchased for the family of Roberta L. Shelby.



September 13, 2014 at 12:08 PM

DM

“ I'm so sorry for the loss of Roberta, I always enjoyed seeing her when they would come to breakfast at Milltown when I worked there. Many condolences to her family!

Donna McGuire - September 12, 2014 at 09:07 PM

SE

“ *Berta, Bird and I were classmates since kindergarten. I'm so grateful they found the love they shared when they did, as they were truly made for each other. She will be greatly missed. Ken and family- my deepest sympathy in your profound loss. She was one of a kind.*

Suzan Von Ehr - September 12, 2014 at 08:22 PM

 Andy
VanHandel

“ *Thoughts and prayers to your entire family from myself, Tricia, and all the Green Bay Skydivers.
Andy and Tricia VanHandel*

Andy VanHandel - September 12, 2014 at 08:01 PM

KC

“ *To the Morrison and Shelby families, my deepest condolences on the passing of Berta.
Memories of the Morrison family as our neighbors on Chicago St. in New Buffalo, and the fun we had as kids are priceless. All of the older Morrison girls babysat us at on time or another. When Dobie bit my eye (it was not his fault, Todd and Marilee were standing on his chain), Berta was the first to come to my aid and get my Mom. I think I was 6.
I'll never forget that.
Again, and I speak for Todd and Krissy, our deepest condolences for your loss.
Keith (Bro) Carlson*

keith carlson - September 12, 2014 at 07:42 PM

CH

“ *As I remember Roberta, she had a EMT party at her home and she made us draw ourselves as we see it. Because Roberta was so into Psychology she tried to share with us the thoughts of how we saw ourselves though our own eyes. It was hilarious the pictures we drew.*

Charlotte - September 12, 2014 at 05:20 PM