



Shirley Alleva

December 3, 1938 - December 3, 2010

Shirley L. Alleva, 72 of Kingsford, passed away on Friday, Dec. 3, 2010, at HCR Manorcare in Kingsford.

She was born on May 4, 1938, in Kingsford, daughter of the late Charles and Gertrude (Butzke) Dowdle. She attended the Kingsford schools graduating from Kingsford High School in 1956. She worked at Foley Martins in production for many years.

Shirley loved her family and friends very much. She enjoyed going fishing and camping with everyone. She enjoyed her cat, Kaylee. She took great pride in garden year after year, planting fruits and vegetables then canning them in the fall. She was a great cook. Shirley loved playing Dr. Mario on her Nintendo, and watching her cowboy movies. She loved reading and studying the Bible with Jehovah's Witnesses.

Shirley is survived by a son, Craig (Eileen) Alleva; daughters, Julie (Arthur) Panick, Kathryn (David) Straccia, and Andrea Oman; five grandchildren, Ryan Alleva, Ashley Hoffart Holm, Jonie Rose and Brendon J. Panick, Cameron Oman; five great grandchildren, Baily M. Hoffart, Elizabeth J. and Vivian L. Holm, Gwenivire and Levi Alleva; brothers, Charles (Ruth) Dowdle, Albert J. Dowdle, John Dowdle; sister, Mary Alice (Fadel) George and a special lifelong friend, June Dorfler.

She was preceded in death by a grandson, Christopher Alleva, a great-grandson, Quinn Alleva and brothers, James E. Dowdle and Paul Bodell.

Visitation will be held on Thursday from 1:30 p.m. to 3:30 p.m. at the Erickson-Rochon and Nash Funeral Home.

The funeral service will follow at 3:30 p.m. at the funeral home. David Carpenter will officiate.

In lieu of flowers, a memorial will be established in her memory

Condolences may be expressed online to the family of Shirley L. Alleva at www.ernashfuneralhomes.com

The family has entrusted the Erickson-Rochon and Nash Funeral Home of Iron Mountain with the funeral arrangements.

Previous Events

Visitation

DEC 9. 1:30 PM - 3:30 PM (CT)

Erickson-Rochon and Nash Funeral Home
901 Carpenter Ave.
Iron Mountain, MI 49801

Funeral Service

DEC 9. 3:30 PM (CT)

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Tribute Wall

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“ To all of Shirley's children and grandchildren (who probably won't remember me since I haven't seen them since they were very small);
To Don & Ruth; Bud (my God-father), Mary Alice & Fadel and John:
I am so very sorry to learn of Shirley's passing. I will always remember
her laugh and she always had a story to tell. A year ago she was telling
me about her garden and all the canning she still did. My garden and
canning was so small compared to hers. It's too bad we kept missing
each other over the years, but she kept up with us thru Mom (Barb Butzke)
when she could. (Shirley and Bill Butzke, my dad, were cousins and were raised next door to each other)
May all of you find peace and joy in the love she had for you. And may
she now be joined in the heavenly gardens with past family members and her God.
Barb Butzke Miller (Terry) 1/3/11

Barbara L (Butzke) Miller - Minooka, IL - Cousin - January 04, 2011 at 12:00 AM

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“ My heart is so broken, I miss you so much. I love you Mom.

Kathy

Kathy Straccia - Daughter - December 30, 2010 at 12:00 AM

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“ Shirley will be greatly missed by our family. From the moment we moved to our house in Kingsford, she was the first neighbor to introduce herself and graciously shared her garden goodies with my children, Faith and Christian. Every summer it was a joy to see her first thing every morning working in her garden from my kitchen window. Shirley and I (Tara) had our days where she would call and say, "the coffee is on, come on over". I treasured our many morning talks over coffee and her sharing stories and her excitement over all her children and grandchildren. She dearly expressed love for her family and her close friends, and of course her kitty. Shirley was a true friend and neighbor that for 9 years my family and I had the pleasure and honor of knowing. She will be greatly missed. Love and Peace to all her family that will miss her so.

Tara, Brian, Faith and Christian LaVigne - friend, neighbor - December 09, 2010
at 12:00 AM