



Janet G. Schmude

January 12, 1941 - September 18, 2013

Schmude, Janet G.,
Saginaw, Michigan

Passed away on Wednesday, September 18, 2013, at Cartwright Hospice Residence. Age 72 years. Janet G. Yakes was born on January 12, 1941, in Port Huron, MI to the late James A. and Genevieve H. (Bourke) Yakes. She was married to C. John Schmude on August 10, 1963, in Port Huron, sharing 50 loving years together. He survives her. She was employed as a teacher for many years. Janet was a member of Good Shepherd Lutheran Church where she served as teller, council secretary, archivist and lector, and volunteered as a Girl Scout and Brownie leader. She also lovingly made prayer shawls and stuffed bears for patients at Cartwright Hospice Residence. Surviving besides her husband, John, is a son, a daughter and their spouses, John P. (Theresa) Schmude, Saginaw; Johanna (Rodney) Wakeman, Saginaw; her "favorite" grandchildren, Kayla Wakeman and Chad Schmude; sisters and brother, Mary Payne, Montague; Katherine Yakes, Port Huron; and Dr. Daniel (Jeanne) Yakes, Whitehall; many nieces and nephews; one aunt, Margaret Byrnes, Grand Haven; and a half-sister, Dona Hager, York Beach, Maine.

Funeral service will take place 11:00 a.m. Saturday, September 21, 2013, at Good Shepherd Lutheran Church, 5335 Brockway Rd. The Rev. Mark Buckert will officiate with burial in Holy Cross Lutheran Cemetery. Friends are welcome to visit with the family at the Wakeman Funeral Home, Inc., 1218 N.

Michigan Ave., on Friday from 2:00 to 8:00 p.m., then at the church on Saturday from 10:00 a.m. until the time of service. Memorials may be given to Valley Lutheran High School Foundation or The Salvation Army. Memories and sympathies of Janet may be shared with the family on her memorial website at WakemanFuneralHome.com

Cemetery Details

Holy Cross Lutheran Cemetery

4700 Brockway Rd.
Saginaw, MI 48638

Previous Events

Visitation

SEP 20. 2:00 PM - 8:00 PM (ET)

Wakeman Funeral Home, Inc.
1218 N. Michigan Ave.
Saginaw, MI 48602
(989) 752-8531
wakemanfh@charter.net

Visitation

SEP 21. 10:00 AM - 11:00 AM (ET)

Good Shepherd Lutheran Church
5335 Brockway Rd.
Saginaw, MI 48638

Funeral Service

SEP 21. 11:00 AM (ET)

Good Shepherd Lutheran Church
5335 Brockway Rd.
Saginaw, MI 48638

Graveside Committal Service

SEP **21**. 12:00 PM (ET)

Holy Cross Lutheran Cemetery
4700 Brockway Rd.
Saginaw, MI 48638

Tribute Wall



“ Janet G. Schmude

September 13, 2022 at 05:01 PM



“ Janet G. Schmude

September 13, 2022 at 02:27 PM



“ I enjoyed working with Janet at Michigan Bell in the phone store in the early 1980s. She was always helping me expand my vocabulary. Plethora! Inundate! Verbiage,! I think of her so often.

Beverly Dorion - July 13, 2020 at 10:52 AM



“ To the Family of Mrs. Schmude,

I am truly sorry for your dear loss. During your time of grief and sorrow, it is my hope that you are able to find some comfort and hope in knowing that God Almighty has the power and the desire to resurrect our dear loved ones to a paradise earth. You can read such loving promises at John 5:28, 29 and Revelation 21:3-5. Please accept my symaphies.

N Williams - June 05, 2014 at 11:57 AM

WM

“ *Johanna & Rodney; May you share God's peace and our sympathies during this very difficult time.*

Wayne & Karen McWilliams

Wayne McWilliams - September 27, 2013 at 08:10 AM

SH

“ *May God bless you all. I am so sorry for your loss. All my love Jo.*



Shawn - September 21, 2013 at 08:03 AM

LH

“ *Sad to see Mrs. Schmude has past, she was one of my teachers at South Jr. High.*

Lavalle Holman - September 21, 2013 at 06:16 AM

EP

“ *To the Schmude family: Our thoughts and prayers are with you during this difficult time of sorrow. Eddie Patrick & family*



Eddie Patrick - September 19, 2013 at 04:22 PM



“ *Sweet Solace Spray was purchased for the family of Janet G. Schmude.*



September 19, 2013 at 10:54 AM



“ *John, John-John and Josie (I remember your dad calling you that when I student taught with him), We are so sorry to learn about Janet (and your mom). Surely she is in heaven lighting a special star for each of you to see each night to let you know she is at peace and will greet your arrival when the time comes. Always remember good times with her when she is in your mind.*

Kristine and Roger Szeszulski



Roger Szeszulski - September 19, 2013 at 08:35 AM



“ *John and family, my sincerest condolences on the loss of your wife, mother. May your grief be tempered by the wonderful memories you will always have.*

*Jan Whiteherse
Hemlock Middle School*

Jan Whiteherse - September 19, 2013 at 08:27 AM

SP

“ *Mr. Schmude, John, Johanna and the rest of the family- I pray that GOD is by your sides in this time of your lives. May he provide you all with comfort as he calls his daughter home. Susan Pacholke-Hill*

Susan Pacholke-Hill - September 19, 2013 at 06:53 AM

JP

“ *JPetrof lit a candle in memory of Janet G. Schmude*



JPetrof - September 19, 2013 at 12:14 AM

JD

“ *John,
Our sincere sympathy on Janet's passing, she was one sweet and great lady.*

Jim & Jackie Darling

Jackie Darling - September 18, 2013 at 06:27 PM

LW

“ *John,
I love hearing you say "Janet Grace" or just plain "Grace". I loved having you and Janet sing Happy Birthday to me every year. I loved being at Camp Playfair with "Geeit" all those 50-some years ago. Know that Dick and I are holding you and Janet and all your family close in our hearts.
Hugs, Louise*

Louise White - September 18, 2013 at 06:17 PM

LG

“ So sorry about your loss my prayer are with you and family. She at rest now .

LINDA GRAY - September 18, 2013 at 06:12 PM

EB

“ Heaven was truly blessed with an angel! Rob will miss being referred to as "the hugger" and family gatherings won't be the same. Your positive attitude was an inspiration to all around you. Janet, you taught so many of us mathematical lessons but the most important lesson of all was teaching us how to be really good people just by being you. Our hearts go out to the entire family and know you are in our prayers.

Rob and Elaine

Elaine Born - September 18, 2013 at 06:09 PM

JP

“ My favorite memories are of the cookie parties. Aunt Janet did a great job putting them together. I loved sharing food and cookies but most of all I enjoyed the singing. Yes, it's out there! I enjoyed getting a song book, practicing with my group, and performing it in front of the entire family! I even have one of her song books! She will be missed!

jaqueline Petrof - September 18, 2013 at 05:41 PM

MI

“ I remember your mom always smiling and generous with that smile. She is a lovely lady. Best to the family.

Misti - September 18, 2013 at 04:29 PM

Kim
Moran

“ *Jo, Rod & Kayla,
Our condolences on the loss of your Mom.
May all your great memories bring you
comfort.
With Love, Kim, Ken & Kellie.*



Kim Moran - September 18, 2013 at 03:25 PM

KW

“ *I love you Grandma! You're deeply missed. Thank you for
everything you've done for me and helped me with. God has
blessed me with an AMAZING Grandma! Although your time with us
was cut far too short, our time with you is forever cherished. Even
though I miss you greatly, I'm glad you're finally at peace and aren't
suffering anymore. All my love, your favorite Granddaughter*

Kayla Wakeman - September 18, 2013 at 03:09 PM

GT

Dear John Schmude and Family,

Janet Schmude was among a small, select group comprised of the kindest, most compassionate, most intelligent, and wisest people I have ever had the privilege to know both as colleague and friend.

She was, to paraphrase English grammarian Robert Whittington and playwright Robert Bolt, a woman for all seasons. Throughout her full and meaningful life, Janet skillfully managed her roles as wife, mother, grandmother, teacher, colleague, A.F.T. local union president, and Christian with such grace and aplomb as to be a worthy example for the rest of us to follow. Like Sir Thomas More, about whom both the aforementioned authors wrote so eloquently, Janet Schmude never compromised her integrity or her principles: She stood up for what she believed in. As our A.F.T. local union president, she demonstrated that personally and professionally profitable ends do not justify undignified and unscrupulous means to achieve those ends.

All who were fortunate enough to know her will sorely miss her soft-spoken and dignified presence. May her memory be Eternal!

With deepest sympathy and love,

George and Lenore Tsiros, Nicholas, Maria, and Eleni Tsiros

George I. Tsiros - September 21, 2013 at 09:00 AM