



Helen Greenwaldt

July 1, 1925 - March 15, 2016

The memorial service for Helen Greenwaldt of Eagle Bend will be held at 1:00 p.m. on Monday, March 21 at the St. Paul's Lutheran Church in Bertha. Visitation will be held on Sunday from 2:00 until 5:00 p.m. at the Domian-Anderson Chapel in Bertha, and will resume at the church on Monday from 11:30 a.m. until the time of service. Helen passed away on Tuesday, March 15, 2016, after a brief stay at the Central Todd County Care Center in Clarissa.

Helen Irene (Truax) Greenwaldt was born July 1, 1925 to Clifford and Emma (Branstner) Truax in Oak Valley Township, Ottertail County. She graduated from Bertha High School in 1943, attended Normal Teacher Training in Staples and later earned her bachelor's degree from St. Cloud State University.

In August, 1948, Helen married Lyle (Scotty) Greenwaldt. To this union, 3 sons were born. They rented several farms in the Hewitt and Bertha area. In 1957, they purchased a farm in Eagle Bend where she resided until her passing. Helen taught country school in many counties and also elementary in Bertha-Hewitt for 24 years until her retirement in 1987. She was known for her fun programs and beautiful bulletin boards.

Helen enjoyed reading, gardening, cooking, flower arranging, entertaining and

her cats. Helen's faith in her Savior was the most important thing in her life. Many hours were spent doing the Lord's work at church and being a youth group advisor. She showed her caring by giving plates of goodies, garden produce, a beautiful flower bouquet, or a hot meal without expecting anything in return. She was dearly loved and will be missed.

Helen was preceded in death by her parents. She is survived by sons: Dale (Gwen) of Bertha, Gary of Eagle Bend, and Randy (Jean) of Eagle Bend; grandchildren: Amber Greenwaldt of Eagle Bend, Deron (Marcie) Greenwaldt of Wayzata, Neil (Amy) Greenwaldt of Monticello, Kipp (Amanda) Greenwaldt of Little Falls, Stephanie (Danny) Booker of Eagle Bend and Heather (Wayne) Booker of Clarissa; great-grandchildren: Ashley, Colton, Darian, Cru and Crea Booker, Cadence, Arianna, Sage, Serayna and Hendrix Greenwaldt; great-great-granddaughter Willoe Booker; brothers: Lawrence (Maxine) Truax of Bloomington, Jim (Darlene) Truax of Deer Creek and sister Shirley (Harris) Bendix of Wadena; along with many nieces and nephews.

Honorary pallbearers are her grandsons, Deron, Neil and Kipp Greenwaldt; granddaughter's husbands, Danny and Wayne Booker; and nephew Mitchell Bendix.

Inurnment at Oak Valley Cemetery, north of Wrightstown, MN.

Cemetery Details

Oak Valley Cemetery

23047 County Highway 75
Hewitt, MN 56453

Previous Events

Visitation

MAR 20. 2:00 PM - 5:00 PM (CT)

Domian-Anderson Chapel
309 2nd Avenue NW
Bertha, MN 56437
(218) 924-4000

Visitation

MAR 21. 11:30 AM - 1:00 PM (CT)

St. Paul's Lutheran Church - Bertha
203 1st Ave. SE
MN 56437

Service

MAR 21. 1:00 PM - 2:00 PM (CT)

St. Paul's Lutheran Church - Bertha
203 1st Ave. SE
MN 56437

Tribute Wall



“ *Schuller Family Funeral Homes created a Tribute Video in memory of Helen Greenwaldt*



Schuller Family Funeral Homes - March 18, 2016 at 01:31 PM

KA

“ *One of my favorite teachers!! I loved listening to her read the Laura Ingalls Wilder books. My condolences to the family. I am sure she will be dearly missed!*

Kim (Hennagir) Anderson

Kim Anderson - March 22, 2016 at 01:28 PM

DP

“ *I so enjoyed Mrs. Greenwaldt, who was one of my favorite teachers. She was also wonderful as a youth advisor through church. I fondly remember spending many wonderful times at her home, she truly had the gift of hospitality. She will be greatly missed. Diane Pfeffer*

Diane Pfeffer - March 20, 2016 at 01:23 PM

AM

“ I had my great aunt Helen as my fourth grade teacher. I remember the first day of fourth grade very well. Aunt Helen was going around the classroom and we each had to tell exactly where we lived. Well, being the "directionally challenged" fourth grader I was I proceeded to confidently announce to the class that I lived one mile north of Hewitt. Aunt Helen paused for a second and looked at me and said, "Amy, you live one mile WEST of Hewitt." I then felt my shoulders sag and thought, Crap, I won't be able to pull anything on Mrs. Greenwaldt cause she knows me better than I do. Aunt Helen also expanded my vocabulary that year, also. She told us if we needed to use the "laboratory" that we needed to sign our name on the sign out sheet. I was very curious as to what exactly we needed to do in the laboratory so after a couple kids signed up and left and did come back I walked up to the sheet and saw the word "Lavatory" written at the top and realized that was another word for bathroom. She taught me much that year and I loved to listen to her read. Rest in Peace Aunt Helen. You are very much loved and will be missed.

Amy Morris - March 19, 2016 at 08:36 PM

WF

“ My heart is heavy hearing of the passing of Mrs. Greenwaldt. Although I loved her as a teacher, my favorite memories of Helen were after I graduated and was attending college at the U of MN to become an elementary teacher. Every fall I would come home to get my hair permed in Wadena and she would be there getting her roots touched up. Getting the chance to hangout and chat with her in our "curlers and color", gleaning teaching tips, swapping stories, and enjoying her sun shining spirit was priceless. Her presence and passion for children was a gift to us all!

Wendy Sickels Fynboh - March 19, 2016 at 12:55 PM

IR

“ Prayers to her family she was an awesome teacher.

Illa (packard) roth - March 18, 2016 at 10:14 PM

BB

“ Bob And Kathy Branstnerk lit a candle in memory of Helen Greenwaldt



Bob and Kathy Branstnerk - March 18, 2016 at 08:31 PM

EF

“ Esther And Alan Freitag lit a candle in memory of Helen Greenwaldt



Esther and Alan Freitag - March 18, 2016 at 07:47 PM

JZ

“ Joanie And David Zirbes lit a candle in memory of Helen Greenwaldt



Joanie and David Zirbes - March 18, 2016 at 07:33 PM

SP

“ Sue Pauly lit a candle in memory of Helen Greenwaldt



Sue Pauly - March 18, 2016 at 05:03 PM

GK

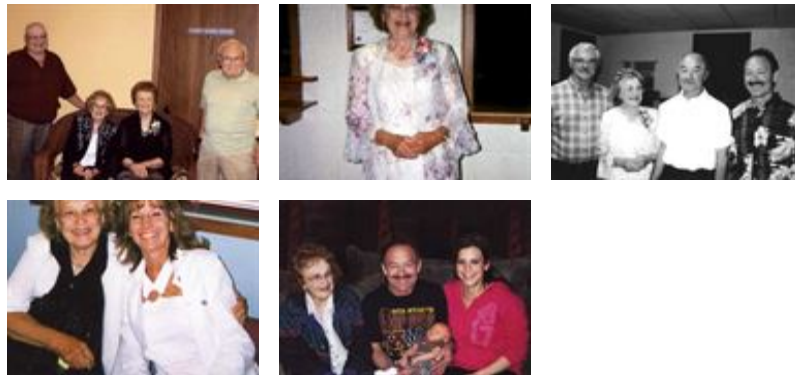
“ Gene & Sandy Kapphahn lit a candle in memory of Helen Greenwaldt



Gene & Sandy Kapphahn - March 18, 2016 at 04:24 PM



“ 37 files added to the album Life Tributes



Schuller Family Funeral Homes - March 18, 2016 at 01:24 PM

GH

“ I have so many fond memories of my Aunt Helen. I loved hearing her talk about her Teaching experiences and I just thought she was the coolest teacher ever. She was also the best Hostess ever..... whenever I was at her house or in her presence , everything always felt so special. The only regret I have is not telling her what a Truly incredible person I thought she was.
Helen, heaven has gained a truly incredible spirit...let your elegant spirit shine... You will be missed here on earth. Love from your niece, Gail Truax! XXXXOOOOO

Gail Hubble - March 17, 2016 at 11:08 PM

DG

“ Dean And Lynn Greenwaldt lit a candle in memory of Helen Greenwaldt



dean and lynn greenwaldt - March 17, 2016 at 09:54 PM



“ Brenda Follmer lit a candle in memory of Helen Greenwaldt



Brenda Follmer - March 17, 2016 at 09:36 PM

LK

“ Aunt Helen was a joy. She always had that cute smile and I loved that she loved cats! (Apparently it runs in the family!) I remember feeling so 'cool' that my aunt was a teacher in school - but I also remember being very disappointed that she could not be my 4th grade teacher because she was a relative of mine! Rest in Peace Aunt Helen. I'm so glad I got to see you at Shirley & Harris's 50th last year. Say Hello to Grampa & Gramma for me. I'm sure you will be the angel up there that you were here on earth.
Love, Laurie

Laurie Kern - March 17, 2016 at 09:04 PM

KS

“ Kipp, Amanda, Cadence, Arianna & Sage purchased the Sentiments of Serenity Spray for the family of Helen Greenwaldt.



Kipp, Amanda, Cadence, Arianna & Sage - March 17, 2016 at 08:02 PM

KT

“ Jeanette was one of my favorite elementary teachers at Bertha-Hewitt. Kathy Tyrrell

Kathy Tyrrell - March 17, 2016 at 07:30 PM

RA

“ Rita Anderson lit a candle in memory of Helen Greenwaldt

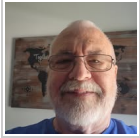


Rita Anderson - March 17, 2016 at 04:47 PM

RG

“ *Roland & Ginger Gilbert*

Roland & Ginger Gilbert - March 17, 2016 at 03:24 PM



“ *When I was in high school, I would always take the stairs by Helen's classroom to catch my bus. She was always standing by her classroom door and greeted me with a smile. Seeing Helen and talking with her at the end of my school day was something I looked forward to. I will miss her. Her family is in my prayers.*

Jeff Truax

Jeff Truax - March 17, 2016 at 08:34 AM

KB

“ *Keith And Janice Bastian lit a candle in memory of Helen Greenwaldt*



Keith and Janice Bastian - March 17, 2016 at 07:32 AM

MV

“ *Marilyn And Wayne Voge lit a candle in memory of Helen Greenwaldt*



Marilyn and Wayne Voge - March 17, 2016 at 07:22 AM

ES

“ Eugene Smith lit a candle in memory of Helen Greenwaldt



Eugene Smith - March 17, 2016 at 04:41 AM

DO

“ Mom and I will miss seeing Helen's smiling face! I think of that every time I would see Helen and what a beautiful, classy woman she was. Rest in Peace, Helen, you will be missed by so many. We will be praying for your family during this time of loss! Donna and Erna Rausch

Donna - March 16, 2016 at 09:44 PM

PN

“ Patti Truax, Niece sent a virtual gift in memory of Helen Greenwaldt



Patti Truax, niece - March 16, 2016 at 09:31 PM

E(

“ Eugene Smith (Smitty) lit a candle in memory of Helen Greenwaldt



Eugene Smith (Smitty) - March 16, 2016 at 09:28 PM

DW

“Helen was one classy lady! There was a group of ladies a few years ago that met on Sat. morning for coffee. She shared many of her teaching experiences with us. Then she would have a hair appointment that she would go to. She had a bright red car that she drove. Always remember those times we shared. Doris Winter

Doris Winter - March 16, 2016 at 09:23 PM

BD

“Bob And Kathy Derby lit a candle in memory of Helen Greenwaldt



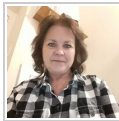
Bob and Kathy Derby - March 16, 2016 at 09:22 PM

DO

“Doug And Joan Ostlund lit a candle in memory of Helen Greenwaldt



Doug and Joan Ostlund - March 16, 2016 at 07:51 PM



She was one of my favorite teachers too! RIP.

Jill Pacheco - March 16, 2016 at 08:24 PM

PN

“ *Compassionate condolences and heartfelt prayers for the family and friends and other families, friends, former elementary students, club members. ..In her long prime, she was so full of life, with her deep faith and was always very busy with her beautiful flower gardens. Was always special pleasure strolling/stopping to see, smell, and enjoy the beautiful peacefulness of those wonderful gardens.*

We often sent cards, notes, and I'd call her monthly back then to chat, laugh, and giggle.

She'd mentioned the Eagle Bend Red Hat ladies going on a five-day bus/motel trip to Branson MO, but she didn't want to go alone. I immediately said she can go, because I'd really enjoy sharing the experience. Off we went several months later. Both enjoyed the company of many local couples. Much was seen in Kansas City, several other stops then Branson shows. That trip still means so much to me, because she got to go after all, and we really enjoyed it very much! So many wonderful memories. ..especially times seeing her at church when my parents lived up there. God bless, and know where you are now, body and min fully restored, lauding and singing praises with angels before our blessed Heavenly Father.

Patti Truax, niece - March 16, 2016 at 07:50 PM

PN

“ *Patti Truax, Niece sent a virtual gift in memory of Helen Greenwaldt*



Patti Truax, niece - March 16, 2016 at 07:21 PM

WJ

“ *Wilferd & Shirley Johnson lit a candle in
memory of Helen Greenwaldt*



Wilferd & Shirley Johnson - March 16, 2016 at 05:55 PM