



Linda Jean Shetenhelm

April 6, 1951 - March 9, 2024

Linda Jean Shetenhelm, a humble and God loving woman, died March 9, 2024. Linda, 72, of Charlotte was born April 6, 1951, in Elyria, Ohio, to Joseph Lowery and Donna (Lawrence) Lowery. Linda graduated from Elyria High School in 1969. During her senior year of high school, she began writing letters to Timothy Shetenhelm while he was stationed at Ft. Leonard Wood, Missouri. On November 29, 1969, Linda married Tim, and the two began a family together. She worked at Christensen's Furniture in Charlotte for many years, and later attended college in her 50's to earn an Associate's Degree in Child Development. Owner and operator of The Children's Village Daycare, Linda was happiest when caring for children. Linda and Tim were foster parents for many years, welcoming children into their home from all walks of life.

Linda had never traveled outside of her home town until she met Tim. In her leisure time, Linda enjoyed camping in the summer, mentoring children through church and Kid's Hope, quilting, sewing, and taking pictures of her grandchildren and daycare children. Linda touched many people throughout her life, adults, and children alike. She was very active at the Lawrence Avenue United Methodist Church and most recently the Charlotte Church of Christ. Linda's faith in God gave her strength and compassion, and she will always be remembered for her unwavering, selfless nature.

Linda is survived by her husband, Timothy Shetenhelm; sons Joseph (Sarita) Shetenhelm, William (Brandy) Shetenhelm, and Jason Shetenhelm; daughters Michelle Vorndran and Holly Berteau; grandchildren Malik Cochrane, Braeden Vorndran, Anne, Kaitlyn, Emmaline, Grace, Timothy, and Louis Shetenhelm; sisters Carol Megyesy and Susan Burgett; and brother Joey Lowery. She was preceded in death by her brother, Terry Alan Lowery.

Friends are encouraged to support Linda's family by attending services or sharing memories on her Tribute Page at www.prayfuneral.com. Visitation is Thursday, March 14, 2024, from 5-8:00 p.m. at Pray Funeral Home; and again, on Friday, March 15, 2024 from 10-11:00 a.m. at the Charlotte Church of Christ. Funeral services are Friday, March 15, 2024, at 11:00 a.m. at Charlotte Church of Christ with Pastor John Bailey officiating. Interment will take place following the funeral at Woodlawn Cemetery in Vermontville, MI. The funeral will be webcast so you may watch it from any computer, smartphone, or mobile device that has internet access. Go to www.prayfuneral.com, click on Linda's tribute, then click on Photos and Videos from your computer (or Media from your smart phone). If desired, the family suggests memorial contributions to Suitcases 4 Kids MI or the Charlotte Church of Christ. The family is in the care of Pray Funeral Home, Charlotte.

Cemetery Details

Woodlawn Cemetery

10911 Vermontville Hwy
Vermontville, MI 49096

Previous Events

Visitation

MAR 14. 5:00 PM - 8:00 PM (ET)

Pray Funeral Home
401 W. Seminary St.
Charlotte, MI 48813

Visitation

MAR 15. 10:00 AM - 11:00 AM (ET)

Charlotte Church of Christ
64 VanSickle Dr.
Charlotte, MI 48813

Funeral

MAR 15. 11:00 AM (ET)

Charlotte Church of Christ
64 VanSickle Dr.
Charlotte, MI 48813

Burial

MAR 15. 12:30 PM (ET)

Woodlawn Cemetery
10911 Vermontville Hwy
Vermontville, MI 49096

Tribute Wall



“ Pray Funeral Home, Inc created a Webcast in memory of Linda Jean Shetenhelm



Pray Funeral Home, Inc. - March 15, 2024 at 09:55 AM

SK

Beautiful celebration of life for Linda. She was a wonderful person, and clearly lives on in those whom she interacted with. Thank you for letting those of us who couldn't be there watch from a distance.

Scott&Cindy Kallgren - March 15, 2024 at 03:46 PM



I knew Linda through my uncle Dave Mix. She was always a kind and friendly person whenever we met at family functions. My condolences and prayers for her family. May she rest in peace.

Sheri Carter Merritt - March 26, 2024 at 04:36 PM



“ Pray Funeral Home, Inc created a Tribute Video in memory of Linda Jean Shetenhelm



Pray Funeral Home, Inc. - March 14, 2024 at 12:12 AM

CB

“ Linda & Tim graciously opened their home to me for an entire summer. I had just graduated from Charlotte HS in 1990 with Joe. My older brother and I lived together after our Mom passed in 1988, but he had to move to Flint for work after I graduated. I'm ashamed to say I just learned of Linda's passing. Linda did her best to fill the void left by my Mom and made me feel at home. One day, she came home from Christensen's Furniture and presented me with a brand new desk lamp, which I kept up until our last move in 2021. Linda, as I remember her, was always happy and that happiness rubbed off on her entire family. My thoughts and prayers go out to the entire Shetenhelm Family.
Rest in Peace Linda!

Corey Berry - July 09, 2024 at 08:24 PM

BW

“ It was my pleasure to teach the Shetenhelm children in first grade. They were amazing students with amazing parents. Linda was always a room volunteer, offering to help in anyway. She always helped with holiday parties. I still use her valentine cookie recipe! There are so many fond memories! My thoughts and prayers are with the entire family. Betty Wallace

Betty Wallace - March 14, 2024 at 07:40 PM

PV

“ Broke my foot jumping out of a tree at a Children's Vacation Bible School when I was a boy. Lynda loaded me up in the Shetenhelm ambulance/van and drove to the Charlotte ER. She made a great EMT.

Paul Voorhorst - March 14, 2024 at 02:03 PM



“ 46 files added to the album *Life Tributes*



Pray Funeral Home, Inc. - March 14, 2024 at 12:11 AM



“ *Ryan, Larissa, Kelsie, and Kylynn Shance purchased the Divine Peace Bouquet for the family of Linda Jean Shetenhelm.*



Ryan, Larissa, Kelsie, and Kylynn Shance - March 13, 2024 at 10:01 PM



“ *Much love, Larry and Phyllis Shance planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Linda Jean Shetenhelm.*

Much love, Larry and Phyllis Shance - March 13, 2024 at 08:31 PM



“ Sweetest Sunrise Bouquet was purchased for the family of Linda Jean Shetenhelm.



March 13, 2024 at 08:31 PM



“ 0 file added to the tribute wall

Pray Funeral Home, Inc. - March 13, 2024 at 05:07 PM



“ Steve and Shae purchased the Florist Choice Bouquet for the family of Linda Jean Shetenhelm.



Steve and Shae - March 13, 2024 at 10:08 AM

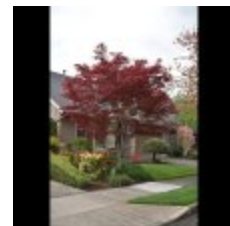


“ Mary Belz and Roz Carpenter planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Linda Jean Shetenhelm.

Mary Belz and Roz Carpenter - March 12, 2024 at 06:23 PM



“ Mary Belz and Roz Carpenter purchased the Red Leaf Japanese Maple for the family of Linda Jean Shetenhelm.



Mary Belz and Roz Carpenter - March 12, 2024 at 06:23 PM

DT

“ DFCI Compensation Team planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Linda Jean Shetenhelm.

DFCI Compensation Team - March 12, 2024 at 04:57 PM



“ Country Basket Blooms was purchased for the family of Linda Jean Shetenhelm.



March 12, 2024 at 04:57 PM

JB

“ Linda has been my lifelong friend.
We have known each other since we were 6 years old.
We were neighbors and friends in Ely Village, Elyria Ohio, where we first met.
Going to different elementary schools and High Schools, Linda and I never lost contact with each other.
Even after she married Tim and moved to Michigan, we never lost touch.
We have always been part of each other's lives.
Linda, like the piece of crystal I bought with you when we went to Shipshewana, you will always shine brightly, even on the darkest days.
Until we meet again, you are forever in my heart, my dear friend

Julie Bajda - March 12, 2024 at 04:14 PM

JB

“ Julie Bajda planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Linda Jean Shetenhelm.

Julie Bajda - March 12, 2024 at 04:06 PM

JB

“ Julie Bajda purchased the Days of Sunshine Bouquet for the family of Linda Jean Shetenhelm.



Julie Bajda - March 12, 2024 at 04:06 PM

BR

“ Bill Riedel planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Linda Jean Shetenhelm.

Bill Riedel - March 12, 2024 at 10:30 AM

BR

“ Bill Riedel purchased the Full Of Love Bouquet for the family of Linda Jean Shetenhelm.



Bill Riedel - March 12, 2024 at 10:30 AM

HH

“ Holly, Malik and Harry planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Linda Jean Shetenhelm.

Holly, Malik and Harry - March 11, 2024 at 08:22 PM



“ Peaceful White Lilies Basket was purchased for the family of Linda Jean Shetenhelm.



March 11, 2024 at 08:22 PM

MM

“ Tim, Children and Grandchildren - our hearts are saddened upon hearing of the loss of your beautiful wife, mother and Grandma. Linda was such a special person to all who knew her, always greeting us with that pretty smile making us feel she was truly glad to see us. Heaven welcomed a true angel. God bless you during this difficult time. ❤️❤️

Maureen and Mike - March 11, 2024 at 08:01 PM

BF

“ My sincerest sympathy in the loss of Miss Linda. Our family met her when she lovingly cared for our niece at the Children's Village. Our niece had some disabilities and Miss Linda cared for her with tenderness and compassion. Her kindness is a great legacy.

Brynda Van Skike Filkins - March 11, 2024 at 06:06 PM

GG

“ Greg Gibson planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Linda Jean Shetenhelm.

Greg Gibson - March 11, 2024 at 02:53 PM



“ Beautiful in Blue was purchased for the family of Linda Jean Shetenhelm.



March 11, 2024 at 02:53 PM

VH

“ A wonderful loving person. Loved by many, will be missed by all. Peace be with you Linda. Love to the family.

Valli Halbeisen - March 11, 2024 at 01:53 PM

RC

“ I worked for Linda for a few years. She was wonderful and caring, I'll never forget her.

Rhonda Crawford - March 10, 2024 at 06:14 PM

RP

“ Robert Patterson lit a candle in memory of Linda Jean Shetenhelm



Robert Patterson - March 10, 2024 at 04:18 PM

KM

“ Linda babysat my three children many years ago. It was such a relief to find someone like Linda. She was a treasure. Then when she worked at the daycare, she cared for a couple of my grandkids. I was delighted when I found out she was there. What a wonderful woman. I am so sorry for your loss.

Karla K McCandless - March 10, 2024 at 03:34 PM

SS

“ Dear Bill and Family, I'm so sorry to hear about the loss of you mom. God bless you all during this difficult time. Sending love and prayers . Sandy Webb

Sandy webb simpson - March 10, 2024 at 12:43 PM