



Ruby J. Takala

March 11, 1928 - March 29, 2017

Ruby Takala,

89, of Crystal Falls, passed away Wednesday, March 29, 2017 at Iron County Medical Care Facility.

Ruby was born March 11, 1928 in Crystal Falls, daughter of the late John and Mary (Stebic) Zie. She was raised in the Dunn Mine Location near Alpha and has been a lifelong resident of the Crystal Falls area. Ruby was a proud 1946 graduate of Alpha High School. She married Mathew Takala at St. Edwards Catholic Church in Alpha in October 1950. During their 52 years together they raised four children. Ruby was a member of the Ladies Guild of St. Edwards Catholic Church in Alpha. Upon St. Edward's closing she joined Guardian Angels Church in Crystal Falls. She was also a life member of the VFW Ladies Auxiliary. Ruby was very social and active in many community events in Crystal Falls and Alpha. She loved vegetable and flower gardening around her home, and she was an excellent cook. Her recipes are shared with many. She also enjoyed playing cards, watching Detroit Tiger baseball on TV and listening to Trojan sports on the radio.

Ruby is survived by her children, Gregory (Terri) Takala, of Crystal Falls, David (Anne) Takala of Lansdale, Pennsylvania, Mary (Rob) Dalpra of Crystal Falls and Joseph Takala of Crystal Falls; a brother Robert (Mary) of Santa Rosa, California; a sister Dorothy Gondek of Menominee; seven grandchildren; Adam, Alexander and John Takala, Kamilla and Alisa Takala,

Connor and Christopher Dalpra; and also several nieces and nephews. She was a kind, compassionate mother and grandmother who was devoted to her family. She will be sadly missed by all. Visitation will be on Friday, April 7, from 9:00 – 10:30 a.m. at the Nash Funeral Home of Crystal Falls. VFW auxiliary memorial honors will be accorded at 10:00am Friday at the funeral home and memorial services will follow at 11:00 a.m. at Guardian Angles Church in Crystal Falls, Fr. Daniel Malone will offer the Mass of Christian burial. Burial will be in Evergreen memorial Cemetery.

In lieu of flowers, memorials may be made in her memory to the St. Vincent DePaul Society of Crystal Falls, 136 Superior Ave. Crystal Falls, MI 49920. Condolences to the family of Ruby Takala can be expressed online at www.nashfuneralhome.com.

The family has entrusted the Nash Funeral Home and Cremation Services of Crystal Falls with the arrangements.

Cemetery Details

Evergreen Memorial Cemetery

311 Logan St.
Crystal Falls, MI 49920

Previous Events

Visitation

APR 7. 9:00 AM - 10:30 AM (CT)

Nash Funeral Home
104 North Third St.
Crystal Falls, MI 49920

Mass of Christian Burial

APR 7. 11:00 AM (CT)

Guardian Angels Catholic Church
412 Crystal Ave.
Crystal Falls, MI 49920

Tribute Wall

MW

“ Remembering Aunt Ruby today, and on her birthday tomorrow, March 11. Much Love to Greg, David, Joe, and Mary Susan, and Families.
We pray for all of you, every day.
Mary Lynn and Con Whalen

Mary Lynn Gondek Whalen - March 10, 2019 at 11:20 PM

MZ

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Mary Zie - April 07, 2017 at 06:17 PM



“ Country Basket Blooms was purchased for the family of Ruby J. Takala.



April 06, 2017 at 07:24 PM

MZ

“ I remember one year we were visiting at Rubys, probably in the fall, and her kids were still in school. In the afternoon, when they got home, she would have the table set with snacks and tea (I remember the dry cinnamon toast for dipping in the tea) for them, so they could sit down together to share the events of the day and unwind. What a great mom!
She was a generous and kind soul with a unique humor, and a fine sister-in-law. Joy and peace to you in your new Life, Ruby.

Mary Zie - April 01, 2017 at 01:50 PM

VG

“ We are missing our beloved Ruby and thinking of wonderful times shared. Our thoughts and prayers are with you and your families - God bless and comfort you during this very sad time. much love, Aunt Dorothy and cousin Val



Valerie Gondek - April 01, 2017 at 10:41 AM

SB

“ Sue Borsch lit a candle in memory of Ruby J. Takala



Sue Borsch - March 31, 2017 at 09:59 PM

Mary Whalen

“ *DAISIES FOR AUNT RUBY,
From fellow daisy lover and niece,
Mary Lynn Gondek Whalen*



Mary Whalen - March 31, 2017 at 06:17 PM

Mary Whalen

“ *Greg, David, Mary, and Joe...and Family,
I don't know if I have the words to express how much your Mom meant to me. Growing up, when my siblings and I heard we were going to visit Aunt Ruby, we were filled with a mixture of happiness and anticipation. We knew she enjoyed seeing us, and the feeling was mutual. Her home cooking was an added bonus! I don't know if I could pick a favorite meal, because they were all delicious. She was a very generous and nurturing person. She had a contagious and hearty laugh, and a big welcoming smile.
We will all miss her so much. I will cherish the memories of the times we spent together. I wish we had more time with her...but I know she is in heaven, with her loved ones, and surrounded by fields of daisies...
MUCH LOVE from Mary Lynn, Con, and Boys*

Mary Whalen - March 31, 2017 at 05:54 PM

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Susan Borsch - March 31, 2017 at 03:24 PM

JT

“ So sorry to hear about the loss of your Mom, our thoughts and prayers are with you!
Joy & Tom Stachowicz

Joy & Tom - March 31, 2017 at 03:18 PM

SB

“ Dave and I send our sympathy to you all....David, Mary, Joe and Greg and the entire family. It is difficult to express how we felt about Aunt Ruby.....she was definitely one of the most special people we were honored to know, and we are so lucky that we were a part of her life. She was so gentle, kind, and loving, and so very proud of all of her kids and grandkids. We loved hearing all of the updates and seeing the latest family pictures prominently on display. We will hold all of our memories in our hearts, and hope that the wonderful memories you all share will give you strength and comfort and sustain you in these difficult days and beyond. MUCH LOVE, Sue & Dave Borsch

sue Borsch - March 31, 2017 at 11:18 AM