



Dora Beamish

January 14, 1914 - March 5, 2009

Dora Beamish of Dafter passed away at the age of ninety-five at War Memorial Hospital Long Term Care in Sault Ste. Marie, Michigan on Thursday night, March 5, 2009. Dora, the daughter of Alfred and Laura (Atkinson) Norton, was born in Dafter on January 14, 1914. She was married to William Beamish for sixty years. He predeceased her in October 1995. Dora Beamish is survived by a son Alva Beamish of Dafter, a daughter Julia (Robert) Bell of Sault Ste. Marie and Alpena, and a grandson Alan (Jill) Bell of Davisburg, Michigan. She is also survived by great grandchildren Avery and Brendan Bell, a brother Clayton (Muriel) Norton, and a sister-in-law Clara Johnson. She is survived as well by many cherished nephews, nieces, cousins, and friends. She was predeceased by her parents, her husband in 1995, and great granddaughter Peyton Bell in 2002. Funeral services will be conducted at First United Presbyterian Church in Sault Ste. Marie at 11:00 A. M. on Monday, March 9 with Commissioned Lay Pastor William R. Bennett officiating. There will be calling hours at C.S. Mulder Funeral Home in Sault Ste. Marie on Sunday, March 8 from 4:00 - 8:00 P. M. Burial will be at Donaldson Cemetery in the spring. Dora Beamish was a member of the Dafter Presbyterian Church. She was a Golden Sheaf member of Dafter Grange # 1157 for eighty-one years and served as its Master for many years. Dora was a longtime 4-H leader and taught sewing to many young women of the community. She was a talented seamstress and known for her baking skills. Memorial gifts may be given to the Dafter Presbyterian Church or to the American Heart Association.

Tribute Wall

MR

“ *Good memories of your family. You are blessed to be part of it.*

Marjean Roe - January 08, 2024 at 12:00 AM

BW

“ *Alva & Julie*

The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, love of God, and communion of the Holy Spirit be with all of you!

My thoughts and prayers are with all of you now and always. Dora always brought out the best in us and in all things. Hearing of her death brought back many fine memories. To know Dora is to love her. May she find her peace and rest among all the saints and rest in the joy of her eternal home for ever and ever.

Teresa of Avila said that Christ has no body, no hands, no feet, on earth but ours. Ours are the eyes through which His compassion will look upon the world, ours are the feet with which He will go about doing good and ours and the hands with which He will bless others now. What more is there to say other than "Mission accomplished" by your mom's representation of Jesus' very presence among us. I have been so very blessed to have been a receiver of such love! Take care and may you always realize the truth and bearing of Romans 8:14-23; 31-39. You are bound even closer to our Savior now than ever before and never separated from Dora or Christ! A faith we live with and die with and live again!

*Peace in Christ Jesus,
Bruce & Sally*

Bruce Whitney - March 11, 2009 at 12:00 AM

GF

“ *Al, our deepest sympathy at the loss of your wonderful mother. Surely she is at rest in the hands of the Lord, and Heaven shines brighter because she is there. Lynn and Gary Freedman (former Sault residents).*

Gary & Lynn (Quack) Freedman - March 10, 2009 at 12:00 AM

JL

“ *Dear Alvie, Julie and Family,
What an amazing life your mom had! I remember Dora as such a wonderful friend to my mom. They had such good times together making quilts with the Ladies Aid and doing whatever needed to be done, first with the old Larch Church, then with the Dafter Presbyterian. Remember their summer Bible School programs, square dancing, and sewing our way through 4-H? Of course, they were never happier than when they were up to their elbows in turkeys and stuffing, sandwiches, or pies for one of the renowned Grange dinners. Those were some happy times in Dafter, making for great memories. Your mom was a lovely lady remembered for her legacy of good deeds. Our thoughts are with you today.
Frank and Jan
(Janice Armstrong Louthan)*

Janice Louthan - March 10, 2009 at 12:00 AM

MM

“ *Dear Al, I was so sorry to read about your mother's death. Please know that my thoughts and prayers are with you at this sad time.*

*Your friend,
Marian MacLeod*

Marian MacLeod - March 09, 2009 at 12:00 AM

CT

“ Bob, Julie, Al, and families. Your mom was an icon of the little Dafter church. Although it has been years back, she will always be remembered by me as the "Ladies Aid". For years growing up, I always thought she was the "ladies aid".
My sympathies to all. Connie

Connie Toensing - March 09, 2009 at 12:00 AM

PC

“ Dear Family of Dora

I was at the funeral this morning and I just had to write and tell you what a lovely tribute that was to your mom. She was such a great lady and I so enjoyed seeing her at the different social events in Dafter and then after we moved to the big city of Sault Ste. Marie. I remember her as always smiling and happy when I was growing up in Dafter. And wasn't that a great place to grow up? I have many happy memories of the Dafter Hall and the Christmas Programs and the old school. Your mom was always a part of everything that went on there. I am sure she mom was smiling down on the great service this morning...especially on the Monday Morning Singers. They did a lovely job. We will keep you in our thoughts & prayers.

Patti & Bruce Champlin

Patti (Smart) Champlin - March 09, 2009 at 12:00 AM

SH

“ Alvie, Julie, & Family
So sorry about your loss Dora was a wonderful woman Our thoughts are with all of you at this sad time.
Tom & Sharon Hillock

sharonhillock - March 09, 2009 at 12:00 AM

JS

“ We're so sorry to hear of Dora's passing. Our thoughts are with you.

Jan & Bob Smith - March 08, 2009 at 12:00 AM

BW

“ So sorry To hear of the passing of Dora. She will always be remembered.

Burl & Carole (Hillier) Ward - March 08, 2009 at 12:00 AM

NL

“ Please accept my Sympathies, and know that Dora will be miss by the girls and I. I always loved to visit with her, she was truly a great lady.

Nancy, Stacey, Katey Leist

Nancy Sutton Leist - March 08, 2009 at 12:00 AM

BP

“ Bob & Julie - our thoughts and prayers are with you during this difficult time. Love and hugs to you and your family.

Bob & Jan Poorman - March 07, 2009 at 12:00 AM

KF

“ a beautiful obituary for a beautiful lady! Dora had a quiet calm about her; one that influenced each of us to be drawn to her because she was sincerely interested and willing to be a part of our lives! I remember the baked goods (especially pie), her sewing "works of art", dinners at the Dafter Hall, and most of all her hearty laugh! She is at rest now, reunited with those she loved who went before her. God bless all of you as you adjust to day-to-day life without her presence here.

Love, Kathy

Kathy Forrest - March 07, 2009 at 12:00 AM