



Helen Toini Laakso

April 11, 1923 - April 10, 2016

Helen Toini Laakso, age 92, of Drummond Island, Michigan, died Sunday, April 10, 2016, in St. Ignace, Michigan. She was born April 11, 1923 on Drummond Island to Tenho and Hilma (Aho) Jarvinen.

Helen lived on Drummond Island her entire life. She married Eino John Laakso on October 21, 1942 in Angola, Indiana. They made their home in the Johnswood community on the island and raised their family. Over the years, Helen worked in the tourist industry.

Helen was a member of the Drummond Island Moose Lodge and Drummond Island Snowmobile Club.

Helen liked sewing, knitting, crocheting, cooking, and gardening. She loved fishing, hunting, snowmobiling, and laughing. She always had a pot of coffee on for the people that stopped to visit.

Helen is survived by her son, William (Sandy) Laakso of Drummond Island; daughters, Patricia (David) Miller of Drummond Island and Sherie (Richard) Bailey of Houghton Lake; grandchildren, Scott Laakso, Lisa Downs, Lori (Bob) Kroll, Steve Miller, Jolene (Tim Matkovich) Miller, John (Tara) Miller, Crystal (Mike) Pierson, Justin (Dana) Bailey, and Sandy (Glen) Knuth; great grandchildren, Johnathon, Sarah, Abby, Parker, Tristan, John, Heather, Kyle,

Amber, Alyssa, Liam, and Rachel; and great-great grandchildren, Mya and Makayla.

Helen is preceded in death by her husband, Eino Laakso; son, Ronald Laakso; brother, Vern Jarvinen; and sisters, Gertrude Griffin, Bertha Gilbert, and her twin, Lillian Anderson.

Visitation will be on Saturday, April 16, 2016 from 11:30 A.M. to 1:00 P.M. at Lighthouse Christian Church on Drummond Island. Funeral Services will begin at 1:00 P.M. with Pastor Scott Danforth officiating.

Burial will be at the Finnish Cemetery on Drummond Island in May 2016.

R. Galer Funeral Home in Pickford, Michigan is serving the family.
Condolences may be sent to the family at www.rgalerfuneralhome.com.

Cemetery Details

Finnish Cemetery

34500 E Johnswood Road
Drummond Island, MI

Previous Events

Visitation

APR 16. 11:30 AM - 1:00 PM (ET)

Lighthouse Christian Church
29898 S. Pine Street
Drummond Island, MI 49726

Funeral Service

APR 16. 1:00 PM (ET)

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Tribute Wall



“ *Helen Toini Laakso*

October 05, 2023 at 09:54 AM



“ *Helen Toini Laakso*

October 02, 2023 at 10:14 PM



“ *Helen Toini Laakso*

September 01, 2022 at 07:49 PM



“ *We were all deeply saddened to hear of Helen passing on.
Our heartfelt thoughts and prayers are with you all.
Love,
Elsie and Bill
Terry and Tim
Janet and Brad*

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