



## Dottie P. Wendryhoski

February 5, 1933 - February 17, 2010

Dottie P. Wendryhoski 38 year resident of Shelby Township, passed away on Wednesday February 17, 2010 in Troy, Michigan

Born February 5, 1933 in Crossville, TN to the late Arthur and Ella Slettvet

She was a member and Cathecist at St. Kieran Catholic Church in Shelby Township, and member of Alpha Delta Kappa Sorority and the Bridge Club.

She was an elementary teacher in the Utica Community Schools for over 42 years. She volunteered as a reading specialist to the under privledged

students in the community. Loved to travel, read, and especially spending time with her family.

Beloved wife of Frank Wendryhoski

Loving Mother of Susan Kent Gregory; Terri Mark Hamilton; Jon Robert Smeltekop Wendryhoski; and Ann Tim Marasco;

Proud grandmother of Andrea, Caryn, Meg, Emma, and Mackenzie; and

Great Grandson Dean. Also survived by her siblings Gladys Frankenburg, Archie Slettvet, Don Jackie Slettvet, Dallas Slettvet, Elizabeth Bob Naja, Lee

Long, and Beverly Leisure. Visitation will be Saturday 1:00pm-5:00pm with a prayer service at 3:00pm by Alpha Delta Kappa and Sunday from 1:00 pm to

5:00 pm with a parish lead prayer service at 3:00pm at the Wm. Sullivan & Son Funeral Home, 8459 Hall Road 3 blks east of VanDyke Utica. Monday

she will lie in state at 10:30 am until time of her funeral mass at 11:00 am at St. Kieran Catholic Church, 53600 Mound Road btw 24 & 25 Mile Rd, Shelby

Twp, MI. A second service will be on Tuesday February 23, 2010 in state at

11am at Holy Trinity Lutheran Church 535 South 14th St. New Castle, Indiana  
until time of Service 12Noon. Interment South Mound Cemetery New Castle,  
IN. In Lieu of Flowers donations to: Lymphoma Society - Michigan Chapter,  
1421 E. 12 Mile Road, Madison Heights, MI 48071 or The National Childrens  
Cancer Society One South Memorial Dr. Suite 800 St. Louis, MO 63102  
Please share a memory with the family at [www.sullivanfuneraldirectors.com](http://www.sullivanfuneraldirectors.com)

# Tribute Wall

KK

“*Mrs. Wendryhoski happened to be one of the most special and truly remarkable teachers in my life. Although, having her for second grade at Morgan over thirty years ago, I still fondly think back on the fun had by all. Making ghost toast, stone soup and working on our plays are just a few fond memories. She was such a caring, loving, compassionate and inspiring teacher. THANK YOU! My deepest condolences to Ann and the rest of the Wendryhoski family. She will be missed by many.*

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**Ken Kullman** - March 25, 2015 at 12:00 AM

NT

“*All four of my children were lucky enough to have Mrs. Wendryhoski as their 2nd/3rd grade teacher! Their needs and abilities were all different but Mrs. W found what each needed to be happy and successful. She was a joyful person who shared that joy with her "kids"....she will always be special to our family. Nancy, Chris,Rob,Becky,and Ted*

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**Nancy Shade Turnbull** - March 25, 2015 at 12:00 AM

MM

“*My best wishes to friends and family. I had Mrs. Wendryhoski for 2nd grade, 24 years ago now and while I live out of state, occassionally on a visit back to Michigan I would run into her my own mother still worked at Switzer Elementary until 2009. She never failed to recognize me or say hello. What a wonderful woman and teacher she was. And I will forever remember her saying and singing "cover your mouth when you yawwwwwwwwwwn".*

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**Matthew Meitzner** - March 25, 2015 at 12:00 AM

BS

“ How very sad to return from a vacation and learn of Dott's passing. She was such a special lady. I fondly remember her help and kindness to me as a new teacher at Switzer. She would never hesitate to provide me with helpful hints, classroom strategies, and resources from her own years of experience. Often, I will come across something in her handwriting in my files. I feel blessed to have known her for a brief time and know that her former students were blessed to have her as a teacher. Sincerely, Bonnie Syler

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**Bonnie Orlando Syler** - March 25, 2015 at 12:00 AM

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“ I had Mrs. Wendryhoski in second grade, and absolutely adored her! She was a wonderful teacher, who made each and every one of her students feel special and loved, as if we were her very own. I will never forget her love-knots pretzels, her elaborate plays, her special way of reading "Fifty Famous Fairytales" to us, and the way she gave the warmest and most heartfelt hugs... just when you needed them! She was a wonderful teacher who remembered her students long after we were gone and grown. When I got engaged a couple of years ago, she even sent me a card saying how happy she was for me, and how she was so proud of me. That's just the kind of lady she was... and she will be very, very missed. My thoughts and prayers go out to Mrs. Wendryhoski's family at this time.

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**Katherine Chriss Ellerbrock** - March 25, 2015 at 12:00 AM

MC

“ Our family was so saddened to hear of the passing of Mrs. Wendryhoski. Two of my three children were blessed to have her as a second grade teacher. We will never forget their roles in her Christmas plays, her classroom full of children's work, and her special way of making each child feel "WONDERFUL"!! Our thoughts and prayers are with you at this time.

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**Mike and Sharon Chriss** - March 25, 2015 at 12:00 AM

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**Susan Prill** - March 25, 2015 at 12:00 AM

TW

“ What I will remember most about Mrs. Wendryhoski was her wonderful smile. She was always warm and caring--and above all, an outstanding educator. She touched countless lives...and I'll think about her every time I drive past Morgan Elementary. My thoughts are with her friends and family.

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**Tom Worobec** - March 25, 2015 at 12:00 AM

PW

“ Mrs. Wendryhoski was my daughter's second grade teacher. She was such a loving, caring educator. It was obvious how much she loved teaching. She has touched many lives, and will surely be missed. God bless always. The Wozniaks- Doug, Pam and Lauren

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**Pamela Wozniak** - March 25, 2015 at 12:00 AM

JR

“ Mrs Wendryhoski was my 2nd grade teacher in 1986. I remember her fondly as a kind and caring teacher who showed patience for her students and love for her profession. My thoughts and prayers are with her family as I am sure you miss her much. She has a wonderful legacy, many appreciative students and provides an example to be emulated of a life well-lived.

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**Janna Reichel** - March 25, 2015 at 12:00 AM

SR

“ We are so sorry to hear of Dottie's passing. After leaving my teaching job where Frank was principal, two of our children had Dot as their 2nd grade teacher at Switzer. She was a gracious and loving lady, and looked for the best in every student. Our sympathy.  
Sara Reichel

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**Sara Reichel** - March 25, 2015 at 12:00 AM

DB

“ A very special lady who will never be forgotten! I had the pleasure of working at Switzer for a short time while Dottie was there and even more special, all three of my children were in her classroom for second grade. Being a room mom for Dottie was amazing. There are so many great memories, the list is endless! Lots of love and hugs and prayers to the entire Wendryhoski family from The Bond Family, Diane, Kristin, Thomas, & Kelly

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**Diane Bond** - March 25, 2015 at 12:00 AM

SS

“ "Do not train youth to learning by force and harshness, but lead them to it by what amuses their minds. So that you may discover the peculiar bent of the genius of each"..... Plato Dottie hand wrote this Christmas message to me 17 years ago and it still hangs inside my kitchen cupboard door. This quote was one of the best I had ever read and it was the motto by which Dottie taught children. She was a special caring lady who exuded grace and kindness and she will be missed. And she will ALWAYS be fondly remembered by The Sims Family. Love and prayers to Frank, her children and grandchildren. Sandy Michael, Brian & Jennifer Sims

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**Sandy Sims** - March 25, 2015 at 12:00 AM

TS

“ *May God Bless this wonderful woman. As my son's teacher, she inspired, encouraged and motivated him to always do his best. He still has his 2nd grade papers that she saved for him until he graduated from 6th grade at Swtizer! Love, Tom & Laura Stevens*

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**Tom & Laura Stevens** - March 25, 2015 at 12:00 AM

GT

“ *Dott will surely be missed by her far-flung circle of family and friends We were privileged to know her as a neighbor, co-worker and friend. She was certainly a kind and lovely person. My husband remembers sharing his Sterling Junior high science students with her second grade students at Sterling Elementary. His advanced eighth grade students taught her students. It was a learning experience for all!! She loved teaching and loved the children and they loved her. May the God of all comfort give you peace at this time.*

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**Gary and Ruth Thomas** - March 25, 2015 at 12:00 AM

MM

“ *My wife and I had the pleasure of meeting Dottie in the oncology office on Jan 8 of this year. Dottie was on a mission to find a dessert recipe to share with her friends and family. We gave her a Twinkie cake recipe and she could not wait to get home and make it with her grand-daughter; which she told us at another appointment on how much fun they had making it. While my wife and I only recently met her, she left a lasting impression on us and we will miss her.*

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**Mike and Donna McKenna** - March 25, 2015 at 12:00 AM

SH

“ You were such a part of our childrens' lives and so many others. The teacher they remembered the most. We so appreciated your concern for them throughout the years and that you never forgot them! Max Hasse family

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**Sandy Hasse** - March 25, 2015 at 12:00 AM

KH

“ Heaven is in the midst of welcoming one of the sweetest souls to have graced this earth! Dot was one of our favorite teachers during our time as parents at Switzer Elementary School. Our oldest son was blessed to be a part of her second grade classroom. Her mark was left on both his mind and his heart. Being her room mother was for me an honor. Being with her on such an intimate level helped to shape a part of our parenting style. Scott always gave each of our children's teachers one of his vacation days to support their classroom goals. His day spent overseeing her classroom checker tournament is a treasured memory of ours! We offer our condolences to all of you whom she loved so dearly. May she rest in peace and may all of you be comforted by the love of our Heavenly Father!

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**Karen & Scott Holland** - March 25, 2015 at 12:00 AM

JM

“ Although I had not communicated with Dottie in many years, I remember how kind she was to me when my husband passed away many years ago. She was a lovely lady. I offer my sympathy.

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**joyce monte** - March 25, 2015 at 12:00 AM

BS

“ I was sadden to read of Mrs. Wendryhoski passing. I have fond memories of my 2nd grade teacher at Morgan and the friendship I had with Ann for so many years. I still have so many memories-- spending the night at the Wendryhoski's, camping in the Winnebago, that great hot chocolate that Mrs. Wendryhoski would make, and I have so many more. I hope it will help a little to know how much Mrs. Wendryhoski has touched so many people.

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**Beth Stoegerer-Dilger** - March 25, 2015 at 12:00 AM

KS

“ Mrs. Wendryhoski was my second grade teacher in 1980 and was, by far, my favorite teacher. I have many fond memories like ghost toast and stone soup. Some of the songs that we would sing on field trips I now sing to my daughter. Best of all, I remeber the big hugs she would give us all. She will be missed. My condolences go out to her family.

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**Kevin Schmitz** - March 25, 2015 at 12:00 AM

JE

“ Mrs. Wendryhoski was one of the reasons I am a teacher today! She was an amazing teacher who was full of love! My prayers go out to her family during this time of need. -Jennifer Ellero

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**Jennifer Ellero** - March 25, 2015 at 12:00 AM

EH

“ Our sympathy to you and your family, on the loss of Dottie. Your family is in our prayers. Sincerely, Harley and Eileen Herr

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**Eileen Herr** - March 25, 2015 at 12:00 AM

AC

“ Take comfort in knowing your wife, mother, grandmother was loved by all. She was an amazing teacher who made an impact on so many lives. I feel truly blessed as a mother that my children were students of Mrs. Wendryhoski 15 years ago. Tears filled my eyes when I heard of her passing.

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**Anita Cipa** - March 25, 2015 at 12:00 AM

FJ

“ My sincere sympathies on your loss. I send you all the Spirit of the Island of Maui. Member of Assistance League Aloha

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**Fllorance Johnson** - March 25, 2015 at 12:00 AM