



# Irene Upshaw Hooper

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# Events

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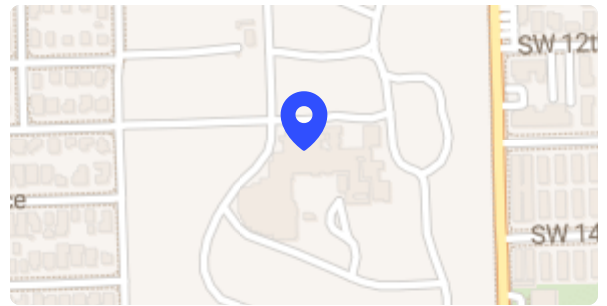
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## Cemetery Details



**Woodlawn Park North**

3260 SW 8th Street, Miami FL 33135





# Tribute Wall

**Irene Upshaw Hooper**

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**Van Orsdel Funeral & Cremation Services** shared a **Tribute Video**.



February 12 at 8:00 PM



**C** lit a candle in honor of Irene.



So here we are in 2025. Stopped to check out Seacamp for our granddaughter. Remembered that Irene Hooper was my teacher at Westview. She was so very kind to this scared, shy girl. After touring this magnificent natural camp, I am so grateful to have known her and grateful for her legacy. Looking at these kids (now they are teachers) I realized that Mrs Hooper May just have been the spark for one of these children to save our world. Years after your passing, you are so treasured and loved for what you did and who you were. Thank you with love

February 3 at 11:40 AM



**Russel E. Bachert, Jr.** posted:

I had no idea, until moments ago that the founder and inspirational leader of Seamp Association was no longer with us. I felt so much grief. Some of the most enduring and enjoyable experiences I have ever had in the field of outdoor/environmental/camping education were at Seacamp while working directly with Irene. Those date back to 1976 while working on my doctorate at Indiana University when Irene visited the Department of Parks and Recreation Management, and invited me to join her staff. That began an interconnection that spanned from that time to 2005. I will forever treasure the memories that Irene made for and with me! Irene, thank you for the great personal and professional legacy you created for both me and for my family, Russ Bachert

September 1 at 9:12 AM



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SB

**Stacey Trimble Borden** lit a candle in honor of Irene.



I just heard about Irene through the "Celebration of Irene's life invitation". I am so sorry to hear of her passing. Dennis, my husband and I think of you (Irene, you, Seacamp, NHMI and the reunions) often. We talk about my experience with you for the one year I was there and our time at the reunions. I loved my experience in Florida. And since i know that you can't say thank you often or loud enough "THANK YOU".As I was investigating the invitation...i thought about how Irene only did one thing at a time and just kept doing something to keep going and get to where she is...the camps are today. Every step that she did doesn't seem like a big job but they all add up and then One Day it this huge and successful camp that has been wokng for 35 years. AMAZING! And then I think of where i am today. I have a house in the Poconos and a little sailboat (ZUMA). I love that sailboat and every time I go out I am so grateful that you and irene believed in me (just one of those steps) enough to send me to sailing camp. I am now considering teaching sailing for the Lake folk here, again Something every day reminds me of Irene, you, Seacamp, NHMI. And of course now there are hundreds of the thoughts going through my head.I am so grateful to know you and have known Irene. Thanks you so much for being in my life.Love you both from a sailor on Monroe Lake.Thank you,Stacey Trimble BordenSouth Orange, NJand East Stroudsburg, PA973-454-6272

February 14 at 10:52 AM

AE

**Angela Epperson** posted:

Irene changed my life in many ways. Please accept my condolences to all who loved her. I am saddened by her loss.Angela Epperson

February 19 at 3:49 AM

AN

. posted:

Irene was a pioneer! She built Seacamp into a one-of-a-kind experience. A gentle and kind person. A belated thanks Irene for the wonderful summers you provided me. Candy Cutler Riddick

February 16 at 3:20 AM

PG

**Phil Gallmeier** posted:

Irene, Thanks for the great oportunity you gave me to have the Seacamp experience. I will miss you. Phil Gallmeier

February 15 at 4:16 PM



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JM

**John Mcvea** posted:

Maiden launch of my sailboat during summer camp Irene appeared out of nowhere with a bottle of champagne saying "thought you might need this" That's the way she was, fiercely loyal, dedicated to her vision of Seacamp. We can't count the number of lives she's touched and influenced. John McVea

February 15 at 11:57 AM

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GR

**Gregg** posted:

Irene you will be sorely missed. Thank you for bringing so much joy in learning and experience. Your legacy will live on forever. Gregg Fata

February 15 at 6:19 AM

TV

**Tim Vogel** posted:

Thanks Irene for teaching him how to accept responsibility, lead the unwilling, and negotiate in good faith. And for Seacamp, of course, her ultimate gift to the world! RIP

February 15 at 2:23 AM

MD

**Mike Duren** posted:

What an amazing legacy you left the world. You taught us so well and you will always be my favorite pirate. After I left NHMI I returned to Wisconsin and became a passionate environmental education instructor. Thank you so much. I know my story is just one of thousands. Mike Duren NHMI 1979-80

February 14 at 4:12 PM



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**Anonymous** sent a Gift of Grace Bouquet to the Hooper family.

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**Anonymous** sent a Heavenly Sentiments Spray to the Hooper family.

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## Media

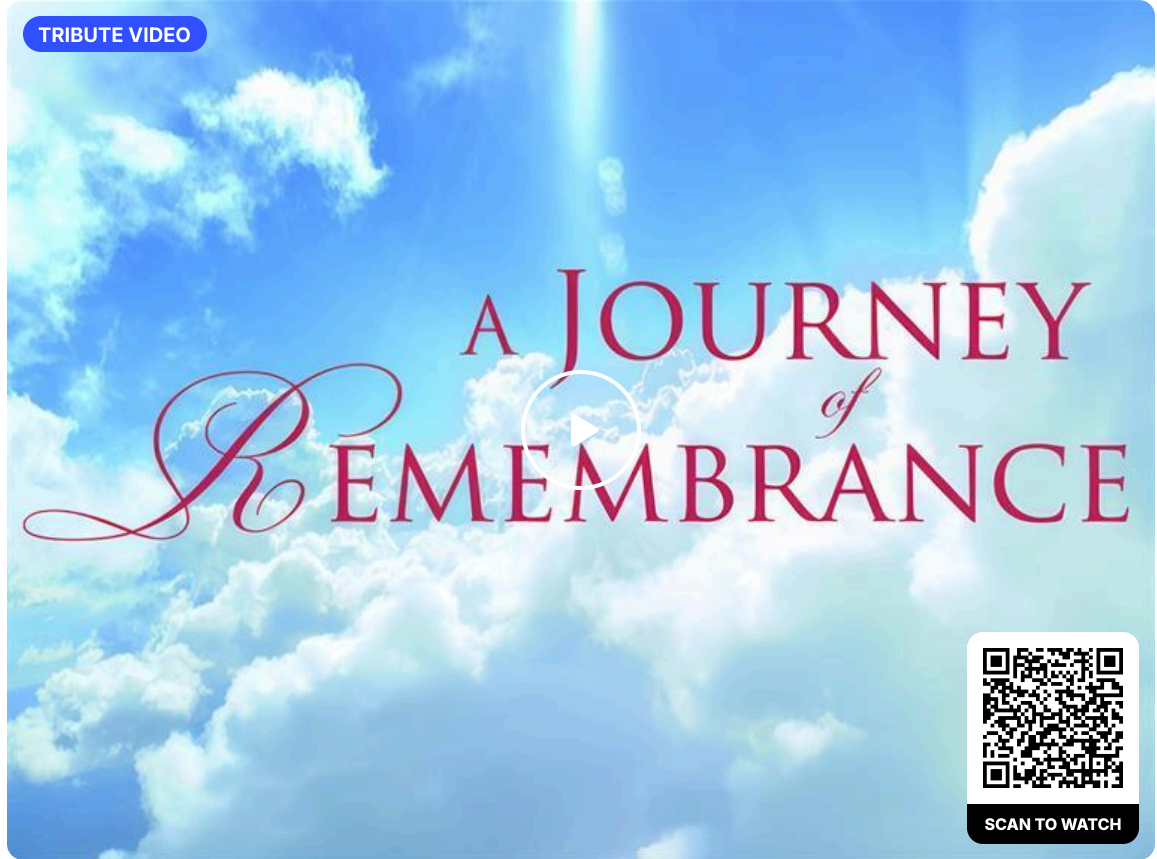
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# Memories only last if you share them

Join us in honoring Irene by contributing to a collection of shared memories.



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