



## Darlene Marie Baxter

April 25, 1925 - October 12, 2020

Darlene M. Baxter, 95, of Iron Mountain, passed away on Monday, October 12, 2020, at ManorCare Health Services in Kingsford.

Darlene was born April 24, 1925 in Iron Mountain, daughter of the late Frank and Frances (Coltz) Reindle. She married Kenneth L. Parent in 1940 and he preceded her in death on April 28, 1977. On October 22, 1983, she married Robert "Eddie" Baxter and he preceded her in death on December 3, 1995. Darlene started out working for Modern Laundry, General Controls and Perfex prior to opening a restaurant, Popeye's Cafe, which she operated for several years. She then started bartending at Dully's Den, the Iron Mountain Bar, the Brave Bull, and the PlayGirl Lounge. Darlene enjoyed socializing and many friends she made over the 25 years she tended bar. She was a volunteer at the Senior Center and a member of the Daughters of Isabella. Darlene had a good heart and always took good care of her customers and even helped the needy, making sure they had something to eat. She was an excellent cook and baker. Darlene loved entertaining and spending time with family and friends.

She is survived by her son, Kenneth (Pamela) Parent of Iron Mountain; step children, Kathe (Harry) Oliva, Joanie (Brian) Lehto, Mary (Harry) Raho, Pete Baxter, Sandy (Dan) Oberthaler, Linda (Dana) Peterson, Laura Champagne, Ellen Baxter and Denise Haupt; and many grandchildren, great-grandchildren, nieces and nephews.

In addition to her parents and husbands, Darlene was also preceded in death by an infant son, David J. Parent and a daughter, Shirley Haupt; and two step daughters, Patti Baxter Antonini and Cynthia Baxter.

Services for Darlene will be held next spring and will be announced.

Condolences to the family of Darlene Baxter may be expressed online at [www.ernashfuneralhomes.com](http://www.ernashfuneralhomes.com).

The family has entrusted the Erickson-Rochon & Nash Funeral Home with the arrangements.

# Comments

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“ My positive thoughts, ((HUGS)), love, and prayers are with you Kenny, Pam, and all your Mom's loved ones. She truly was a beautiful, wonderful Lady!

**Geri Gardiepy** - October 17 at 05:40 PM

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“ Geri Gardiepy lit a candle in memory of Darlene Marie Baxter



**Geri Gardiepy** - October 17 at 05:36 PM

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“ My sincerest heartfelt condolences to family and friends..

**Kristen Lindholm** - October 16 at 04:55 PM