



## Alice Palmer

May 3, 1911 - May 3, 2012

Alice J. Palmer, 101, of Evergreen Assisted Living in Kingsford, died Thursday, May 3, 2012 at her home. She was born on Aug. 2, 1910, the daughter of the late David and Anna (Anderson) Colquhoun.

Alice was born and raised in North Dakota, moving to Brainerd, MN in 1937. On March 25, 1940, she married Noah Palmer. She worked at a defense plant during World War II, making push rods for the valves of planes. She later worked as a waitress, where she met Noah, and at a garment factory. In 1963 Alice and Noah moved to Paramount, CA. Noah preceded Alice in death on Jan. 24, 2002, after 62 years of marriage. In 2005, Alice moved to Iron Mountain to live with her daughter and son-in-law. She was an active member of Our Saviour's Lutheran Church and in the Lydia Circle, where Alice helped in the kitchen for many funerals.

Alice enjoyed playing cards and belonged to a card club. She also enjoyed crocheting and crocheted many afghans for her family and friends. Alice was known for her cooking and baking. The meals she served always included a large variety of different foods.

Alice is survived by three daughters Charlotte (Gary) Bock of Brainerd, MN, Connie (Jerry) Swartout of Iron Mountain, MI, and Colleen (Ken) Anderson of McCall, Idaho, one brother Sam Calhoun of Wyoming, six grandchildren

Tonette (Bob) Hardekopf, April Janes, James Cohen (Bobbie Hogan), Rob (Brenda) Swartout, Dan (Paula) Swartout, and Michelle Murray (Chuck Lantz), 13 great grandchildren, 3 great-great grandchildren, and several nieces and nephews.

She was preceded in death by one daughter, Cheryl Palmer, one grandson Trevor Swartout, two sisters Ann Huseby and Luella Tiehm, three brothers Donald Calhoun, David Calhoun, and Alfred Colquhoun.

Visitation will be Saturday, May 12, 2012 from 10-11am at Our Saviour's Lutheran Church. Funeral services will be held at 11am Saturday at the church. Rev. Stephen Cowen will officiate. Burial will be in Cemetery Park.

Condolences to the family of Alice J. Palmer 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.

# Previous Events

## Visitation

MAY 12. 10:00 AM - 11:00 AM (CT)

Our Saviour's Lutheran Church  
1210 S. Kimberly Ave.  
Iron Mountain, MI 49801

## Funeral Service

MAY 12. 11:00 AM (CT)

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# Tribute Wall

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“ Dear Connie and Family,

*I work in the kitchen at Evergreen, and I can't begin to tell you what a joy it was to see Alice every day! All her cute stories, her singing (especially here comes the bride..well, her version anyways, haha), her love of bacon and coffee..I could go on and on. She never failed to make me smile each and every day in some way. We truly loved to spoil her!! I walk into the dining room every day hoping to see her smiling face again and to see her raise her cup and and say "you make good coffee and treat us so well..thank you". Alice is and will be forever in my heart, thank you all for sharing her with us! God Bless*

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**Diane - Kingsford, MI - Friend** - May 09, 2012 at 12:00 AM

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“ Alice was such a joy to be around when I worked at Evergreen Assisted Living. She was always cracking jokes and making people laugh. I will always remember her stroll down the long hallway back to her room after breakfast as she sang "Walzing down the avenue". She was also one of the sharpest-looking people residing at Evergreen, as we felt like we were always complimenting her on how nice she looked. When I go back to visit, I always stop in her room to say hi. She was such a sweet lady, and will certainly be missed!

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**Abbey Thiel - Iron Mountain, MI - Caregiver at Evergreen** - May 08, 2012 at 12:00 AM

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“ Sorry to hear of Alice's passing. She was a good friend to my Aunt Micky and I visited with her and the family many many times. We used to get hand-me-down clothes from Colleen. We even went to Paul Bunyan with Colleen when I was a little girl. I lost track of all of you when Aunt Micky moved to the cities and then back up to Aitkin. My thoughts and prayers are with all of you.

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**Connie (MacDonald) Gretschmann - Aitkin, MN - old friend of the family** - May 08, 2012 at 12:00 AM