



Antoinette Melelli

June 2, 1919 - March 23, 2005

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IRON MOUNTAIN - Antoinette "Tonie" Melelli, 85, of Iron Mountain, died Wednesday, March 23, 2005, at the Veterans Administration Medical Center in Iron Mountain.

She was born on June 22, 1919, in Iron Mountain, the daughter of the late Germano and Catterina (Ceritto) Melelli.

Miss Melelli graduated from Iron Mountain High School in 1937. She served in the U.S. Army for 22 years, being stationed in different parts of the United States and the world. Tonie served in both the Korean War and the Vietnam War and was the recipient of the Bronze Star, the Korean, UN, and Vietnam service Medal, and the National Defense service medal.

On July 1, 1972, she retired as a lieutenant colonel from the Brooke Texas Army Medical Center at Fort Sam Houston Army Base in San Antonio, Texas.

Tonie was a member of Immaculate Conception Catholic Church. She was also a member of the Uren-Cooper-Johnson American Legion Post 50, the Disabled American Veterans, and the R.A.N.C.A. (Retired Army Nurse Association). She was an excellent softball player and an avid sports fan.

She is survived by three nephews, Ronald (Mary Lee) Melelli of Loretto, Robert (Jill) Johnson of Kingsford, and Michael (Mary Jo) Johnson of Green Bay, Wis.; two nieces, Patricia Milanowski of Chicago and Elizabeth Damian of Burnsville, Minn.; many great nieces and nephews and great-great nieces and nephews.

She was preceded in death by two brothers, Marino and Adolph Melelli and three sisters, Mary Bartsch, Katherine Johnson, and Mildred Abarr.

Friends may call from 9:30 a.m. until 10:20 a.m. on Monday, at the Erickson-Rochon & Nash Funeral Home.

Military services, conducted by the Uren-Cooper-Johnson American Legion Post 50, will be held Monday at 10:20 a.m. at the funeral home.

Funeral services will be held at 11 a.m. on Monday at the Immaculate Conception Church. Msgr. James Kaczmarek will offer the Mass of Christian Burial.

Burial will be in Cemetery Park.

In lieu of flowers, memorials may be made to the Carmelite Monastery.

Condolences may be expressed to the family of Tonie Melelli online at www.erickson-rochon-nashfuneralhomes.com.

The family has entrusted the Erickson-Rochon & Nash Funeral Home of Iron Mountain with the funeral arrangements.

Tribute Wall

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“ *We miss you Auntie Toni!*

*Love from all of us,
Neil, Dani, Alex, Cam*

Danielle - Vulcan, MI - Niece - March 07, 2012 at 12:00 AM