



Bernise Miller

June 19, 1921 - August 6, 2015

Bernise Miller, 94, of Iron Mountain, passed away Thursday, August 6, 2015 at Mary Hill Manor in Niagara, WI. Bernise was born June 19, 1921 in Escanaba, MI daughter of the late Wallace and Ella Hale. She spent her childhood in Boney Falls, MI and moved to Iron Mountain in 1938. She graduated from Iron Mountain High School and eventually earned her teaching degree from Northern Michigan University. Before marrying, she taught Home Economics in several areas: Ravenna, MI for one year, Breitung Township Schools for three years, and Channing, MI for two years. She also worked for Michigan State University as a Home Extension Agent for two years. After marrying Henry Myers Miller in 1950 she continued her work for Michigan State University for two more years and then accepted a 3rd grade teaching position at Breitung Township Schools where she remained for the next 26 years. She and Henry had two children, Wendy and Tim. Bernise loved to read, cook, and paint. She was an avid player of bridge and dominos. She also loved camping and enjoyed extensive camping excursions with her husband, mostly in wilderness areas. She was a member of IMK Women's Club, Michigan Association of Retired School Personnel (MARSP), numerous bridge clubs (one which began in the early 50's), and was even a member of a domino club of friends that traveled to Arizona together.

Bernise is survived by her son, Tim Miller; daughter, Wendy (Wayne) Alsteens; and grandchild, Nicholas Thompson.

She was preceded in death by her husband, Henry; brother, Wallace Hale and daughter-in-law, Karen Miller.

Private services will be held at a later date.

Condolences may be expressed to the family of Bernise Miller online at www.ernashfuneralhomes.com.

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

Cemetery Details

Cemetery Park

Cedar Ave
Iron Mountain, MI 49801

Tribute Wall

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“ Always enjoyed your Mother when she came to Texas to visit with Dottie and all of our bridge games with Dottie and your Mother trying to teach myself and another neighbour how to play. Also enjoyed their cooking and they each had their little specialties. Loved your Mother offering to put me up when I came to Iron Mountain to visit Dottie when she ended up in a home as well. She sure did feed me good again. Always wished I had got back up to see her again. You guys will miss her for sure, but all of our times do come and we have to accept that.

Hugs Pat and Grant

Pat Tiffin - August 09, 2015 at 12:19 PM

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Thank you Pat. Wendy and Tim

Wendy Alsteens - August 29, 2015 at 12:41 PM

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“ *"Dear Wendy,
Please accept my deepest sympathy on the loss of your mother. She was so nice and sweet. And of course she loved dogs (like she had a choice heh Wendy!!). I always enjoyed the stories about her at the nursing home, they were so cute and funny. Your a good daughter Wendy and I'm sure she appreciated all you did for her. Please extend my sympathies to Wayne, Nicholas, and Tim. Take care, love, Diane*

Diane Luczak - August 08, 2015 at 11:24 PM

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Thank you Diane Wendy and Tim

Wendy Alsteens - August 29, 2015 at 12:42 PM

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“ Mrs. Miller was my 3rd grade teacher at Garden Village, I always remember her kindness and sweet nature. My deepest sympathy on your loss, such a wonderful woman!

Carol Famiani, Chicago

Carol Famiani - August 08, 2015 at 09:34 AM

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Thank you. Wendy and Tim

Wendy Alsteens - August 29, 2015 at 12:43 PM