



## Bette Pipp

January 22, 1925 - January 22, 2012

Bette Jane Pipp, 87, of Iron Mountain, died peacefully at her home surrounded by her loving family. She went to be with her Lord and Savior on Sunday, Jan. 22, 2012, following a brief illness.

Bette was born Jan. 7, 1925, in Iron Mountain, daughter of the late George and Theresa (Bayerl) Kanyuh. She graduated from Kingsford High School in 1943, and was a lifelong resident of the area.

Bette married John Pipp on May 17, 1947, in Iron Mountain. He preceded her in death on Aug. 24, 1987. She was a devout Catholic and a faithful member of St. Mary and St. Joseph Catholic Church in Iron Mountain. Bette spent many hours in daily prayer and was assigned to the prayer ministries in 1986 by Fr. Leo Lessard. She enjoyed playing cards and participated in bridge club for many years. Bette also enjoyed bingo, cooking, baking, and most of all, spending time with her family. In her younger years, she and her husband, John loved to dance and participated in dance contests.

She is survived by two sons, Jon (Kathleen) Pipp of Iron Mountain and Jeff (Robin) Pipp of Birmingham, Ala.; three daughters, Karen (Jerry) Nardi of Aurora, Wis., Penny (Ron) Hamby of Iron Mountain, and Kathi (Tom) Krans of Aurora; two brothers, Ken Kanyuh and Robert (Phyllis) Kanyuh, both of Iron Mountain; two sisters, Pat Macha of Chicago and Teresa (Mike) Martin of Iron

Mountain; 23 grandchildren and 31 great-grandchildren. She is also survived by many nieces and nephews, and special friends John, Jo, and Joyce.

She was preceded in death by two brothers, George Jr. and Jimmy, and three sisters, Dorothy, Gladys, and Luella.

Friends may call from 9 a.m. to 11 a.m. on Tuesday at St. Mary and St. Joseph Catholic Church.

Funeral services will be Tuesday at 11 a.m. at the church. Fr. Daniel Zaloga will offer the Mass of Christian Burial.

Burial will be in the St. Mary's Cemetery in Commonwealth, Wis.

Her grandsons will serve as pallbearers.

Condolences to the family of Bette Jane Pipp may be expressed online at [ernashfuneralhomes.com](http://ernashfuneralhomes.com)

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

# Previous Events

## Visitation

JAN 24. 9:00 AM - 11:00 AM (CT)

St. Mary & St. Joseph Catholic Church  
414 Prospect Ave.  
Iron Mountain, MI 49801

## Mass of Christian Burial

JAN 24. 11:00 AM (CT)

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# Tribute Wall

TN

“ *My deepest sympathy and heartfelt condolences to the Pipp Family. Have faith and find comfort in knowing that Aunt Bette and Uncle Johnny are together and smiling again. Surely, they are watching over all of us from above.*

*I have nothing but wonderful memories of my time with Aunt Bette and she will be truly missed by myself and my children. Aunt Bette's prayers have gotten us through many things. We will always honor her by faithfully showing kindness to all we know and those we meet! I will remind Tressa Rose of her "Gramma Bette" always, for we were truly blessed and fortunate to have her in our lives.*

*Aunt Bette- You were like a second Mom to me, I am at a loss for words to describe how much I will miss our talks...I LOVE YOU!!  
xoxo =Theresa*

*Aunt Bets- Have fun playing 101 and Spite & Malice with Aunt Lu!  
=Jay*

*"Gramma Bette"- Good Luck at Bingo in Heaven!! =Tressa  
We have a feeling you are WINNING already :o)*

*Condolences to all who knew my Aunt Bette Pipp,  
Theresa, Jay(Rucinsky) and Tressa Rose Martin*

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**Theresa, Jay and Tressa Rose Martin - Iron Mountain, MI - niece - January 26, 2012 at 12:00 AM**

TS

“ *It's time to say Goodbye.*

*In my life, I have had four friends. This is my second friend I have lost. First Lu, Now Bette. I will miss your physical presence more than I can find words for, but your Spirit will be with me always. All those hundreds of hours of conversation, guidance, and fun with Spite & Malice and Bingo. This I will miss.*

*I am so happy for you to have your Eternal Peace finally begin.*

*Love You Forever,*

*Terie*

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**Terie Martin - Iron Mountain, MI - Sister** - January 26, 2012 at 12:00 AM

CF

“ *My maiden name is Beauchamp ( the oldest of the Beauchamp kids) and I remember the Pipp family at Sunday mass. I knew Karen and Jon from seeing them around school.*

*I am sorry for your loss.*

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**Carol Denil - Boulder City, NV - Fellow Parishoner in Florence** - January 26, 2012 at 12:00 AM

BG

“ Your work is done, Auntie Bette! You have earned your place in heaven. You have been a beautiful model for all of us. Your LOVE of GOD , your honesty, your loyalty, your forgiveness and love of family and friends has been a gift to any who knew you. Life is too short and you showed all of us that there should be peace and love. Your anger or dislike when anyone offended you was up front and done. You lived each day as it were your last with prayer and love. I've always felt blessed that you were my godmother. I only hope that I have been, and will be someone who is remembered as I remember you. Thank you for being part of the village that raised me. You will never be forgotten. I loved you so much.

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**Betsy (LaRoux) Schneider - Waddell, AZ - Niece, Godchild** - January 25, 2012 at 12:00 AM

GF

“ To the Pipp Family. Please accept my deepest sympathy for the loss of your Mother and Grandmother. I met Bette several years ago when she played bridge with my Mother Lucille and friends. She was an outstanding lady and will be missed.

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**Gerald McMullen - Spokane, WA - Friend** - January 25, 2012 at 12:00 AM

BC

“ sorry to hear about cousin Bette....I remember all those years when we were young and the trips up to iron mountain to see Johnnie and Bette & family...then the many times when they came down to the farm in Birch Creek..and thank you Bette for comming down and visiting with Mom in her later years, I know she loved that....Rest in Peace Cousin....

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**Bob (Judy) Jasenosky - Gresham, OR - cousin** - January 24, 2012 at 12:00 AM

JM

“ Dearest Penny "Pen". Sending a BIG hug out to you and your family. You are in my thoughts and prayers. I loved your mom for her cute little ways and our weekly "bingo" chit chats. Truly have missed her and YOU there on Wednesdays. I'm sure she already has her seat at the table in heaven....HUGS

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**June Maynard - Norway, MI** - January 24, 2012 at 12:00 AM

JC

“ Please accept my deepest sympathy on the loss of your mom and grandmother. I'm so happy that we had the Bayerl Reunion. I can hardly believe that it's going to be two (2) years already. Hopefully we can have another reunion in the future.

God Bless

Joyce (Bayerl) Stepniak

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**Joyce (Bayerl) Stepniak - Menominee, MI - third cousin** - January 24, 2012 at 12:00 AM

RN

“ Dear Pippis,

*Jeanne and I send our condolences for the loss of Aunt Bette. The interest that she always showed in conversation about our lives was the same sincerity that I'm sure you all were blessed to witness first hand every day of your lives.*

*I regret that we are unable to pass along our condolences in person at the funeral, we are in Mexico for another couple of weeks.*

*Warmest regards, Rock and Jeanne Kanyuh*

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**Rock and Jeanne Kanyuh - Appleton, WI - Nephew** - January 23, 2012 at 12:00 AM

WN

“ Dear Father in Heaven...Thanks so much for Aunti Bette being in my life and for the wonderful memories I have with her and her family. She was always so joyous and happy! I remember going to her house, eating great food, playing with her kids (my cousins) and having a FUN time when we visited.

*I remember all the times my mom and Aunti Bette would go to Bingo. I loved how she shared her LOVE for God, Jesus Christ and for Mother Mary. She would tell me how Mother Mary was in her life and how much she loved her! My mom, Luella, loved her older sister and looked up to her! She will be loved eternally by so many!*

*See you in Heaven, Aunti Bette!*

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**Wendy DuCharme Ruby and Family - Mason City, IA - Niece** - January 23, 2012  
at 12:00 AM