



Bonny White

March 13, 1938 - March 13, 2008

RALPH - Bonny Lea White, 70, of Ralph, died Thursday, March 13, 2008, at her home in the arms of her daughter and grandson, after a three year battle with colon cancer.

She was born on Oct. 26, 1937, in Bowler, Wis., the daughter of the late William and Ruth (Thompson) Schiefelbein. Bonny graduated from Pembine High School in 1955 as salutatorian of her class.

On Sept. 13, 1957, Bonny married Lowell "Dode" White in Iron Mountain. Bonny deeply loved and cared for Dode and they were inseparable for their 51 years together.

They initially made their home in Rockford, Ill., and subsequently lived in Marinette, Wis., before settling in Ralph, where they raised their family of five children.

Bonny worked for many years as a forklift operator at Lakeshore Industries prior to the closing of the Kingsford plant.

She also served as West Branch Township treasurer for several years.

Bonny was an excellent cook and renowned baker and fed many friends and

strangers in her kitchen in Ralph over the years. Her pie-making skills were legendary. Her many other skills included quilting, sewing and gardening as well as small engine repair, chain saw repair and home wiring. No task was insurmountable for Bonny.

She was also an inveterate Green Bay Packers fan.

She loved to fish from her dock at Pickerel Lake and also loved foraging for wild berries and mushrooms. She loved animals of all kinds and was especially fond of her dog Pung. She was a gifted horse handler and enjoyed feeding and watching wild birds.

Bonny always enjoyed spending time with her friends and family.

She is survived by her husband Lowell "Dode;" five children, Lowell "Rocky" White of Green Bay, Wis., Theresa White of St. Claire Shores, Mich., Deb White (Robert Mahin) of Marquette, Sherry (Dr. Jim) Addison of Marquette and Barb (Fritz) Kirl of Long View, Texas; four brothers Roger (Sue) Schiefelbein of Columbia City, Ind., Rodney Newingham of Iron Mountain, Daryl Newingham of Wausaukee, Wis., and Ricky Newingham of Quinnisec; three sisters, Jeanine (John) White of Wausaukee, Kathy Newingham of Dunbar, and Marleen (Bill) Kuczala of Goodman, Wis.; five grandchildren, Jason (Jen) Oman of Felch, Michael Oman of Marquette, Brandi Dean of Jackson, Wy., Bonny and Rohan Mahin of Marquette, and many nieces and nephews.

Visitation will be Monday from 4 p.m. to 7 p.m. at Erickson-Rochon and Nash Funeral Home.

Funeral services will be Monday at 7 p.m. at the funeral home. Rev. David Anderson will officiate. Condolences to the family of Bonny Lea White can be

expressed online at www.ernashfuneralhomes.com

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

Tribute Wall

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“ *Deb & family,
I was so sorry to read about your mom's passing. I lost my mom on November 17th to duodenal/pancreatic cancer. It has been difficult, but realizing how blessed I am to have had my mom for 76 years and to know that so much of who I am is because of her makes the loss more bearable. Thinking of you and wishing you the peace and comfort that I have found in knowing that our mothers live on in us every day.*
Patty

Patty Tyner - March 17, 2008 at 12:00 AM

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“ *Dode and Family
Our Thoughts and Prayers are with you !
Love Roger and Norma Deau*

Roger and Norma Deau - March 17, 2008 at 12:00 AM

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“ *Dode and Family,

Please accept our deepest sympathies, you are in our thoughts and prayers.*

Dennis and Bridget Luczak - March 16, 2008 at 12:00 AM