



## Carol Mae Johnson

May 6, 1937 - December 14, 2022

Carol Mae Johnson, 85, of Breitung Township, passed away Wednesday, December 14, 2022, at the Iron County Medical Care Facility in Crystal Falls.

Carol was born May 6, 1937, in Crystal Falls, MI, daughter of the late John and Saima (Korkiamaki) Eckola. Her father, John Eckola, passed away before she was born. Emil Rosenlof became her step-father and was the only father she ever knew. She graduated from Crystal Falls High School and attended Northern Michigan University and St. Luke's School of Nursing where she obtained her RN degree. Carol met her husband, Ronald "R.J." Johnson, at Northern Michigan University, and they were married on June 14, 1958, in Crystal Falls. They shared 63 years together prior to his passing in April of this year. Carol worked as an RN at the Crystal Falls Hospital and as a charge nurse at the Iron County Medical Care Facility, where she later taught CNA classes.

Carol was very talented at sewing, needlepoint, painting, knitting, crocheting, wood crafts, etc. She loved doing crafts, traveling and spending time with her family. She was fun-loving and enjoyed playing cribbage and card games.

She is survived by her son, Aaron (Jean) Johnson of Ironwood; daughters, Lori (Mike) Betti of Iron Mountain, Katrina (Dave) Anderson of Aurora, WI, and Julie (Emil) Kezerle of Iron River; grandchildren, Brittany (Abe) Khoury,

Matthew Johnson (Jess), Ryan (Torina) Hendershott, Chelsea (Jamey) McCole, Korie (Bob) Reid and Connor Kezerle (Abby); and great-grandchildren, Hailey, Raelynn, Ryan, Zoey, Aubree, Easton, Brogan, Layla and Miles.

Carol is preceded in death by her parents and husband, R.J.

Private family services will be held. Their wishes were to be buried together in Marquette, as this is where they met and began their life together. Burial will take place at Park Cemetery in Marquette.

Condolences to the family of Carol Mae Johnson may be expressed online at [www.ernashfuneralhomes.com](http://www.ernashfuneralhomes.com).

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