



## Donna K. Jensen

August 26, 1941 - November 11, 2024

Donna K. Jensen, age 83, of Hamilton Lakes finished her pilgrimage on this earth and went to be with her Lord and Savior on Monday, Nov. 11, 2024, with her loving family by her side.

She was born on August 26, 1941, in Escanaba, MI, daughter of Dorance and Delia Peterson. Donna graduated from Escanaba High School in 1960 before attending Northern Michigan University for one year and then transferring to Prospect Hall Secretarial Business School in Milwaukee, WI, where she graduated as an executive assistant.

Donna is survived by the love of her life and husband and companion for 45 years, Larry Jensen; her 2 sons, Paul Sydmark (Barbara Barkley) and Michael (daughter-in-love Lani) Sydmark; step-children, Julie (David) Dahleen, Lorraine (Steve) Schaefer, Pam Brown, David (Mary) Jensen, Steve Jensen, and Ben (JoAnn) Jensen; 4 nephews, Kris Peterson, Eric Peterson, Matthew (Norma) Peterson, and Mark (Ann) Peterson; 2 great-nephews, Todd (Maria) Horchner and Troy (Juliana) Horchner; 2 nieces, Lynn Marie Peterson and Janet (Dale) Horchner; Jerry Long and sister-by-choice Bonnie Sue Hurley; 24 grandchildren, Lynsey Sydmark (Eric Herzog), Jeanette Tanaka, Michael K. Sydmark (Keshia Hruska), Jayden (Grace) Sydmark, Zahnder Jensen, Draike Jensen, Michael and Kayla Dahleen, Jacob and Makayla Dahleen, Marissa (Jamie) Knie, Rachael (Mitch) Kirby, Rebecca Schaefer, Meghan Jensen,

Ryan Jensen, Ashley Jensen, Ethan Jensen, Jeff and Nicole Jensen, Dustin Jensen, Nathan Jensen, Alicia Barkley, Kate Barkley, and Zachary Jensen; 13 great-grandchildren, Ryan and Aila Phipps, Hailey Jensen, Kinsley and Kayson Jensen, Isaac and Alex Dahleen, Simon Dahleen, Emma and Mia Kirby, Kiara and Kooper Hruska, and Kalani Sydmark.

Along with her parents and grandparents, Donna was preceded in death by her two sisters, Dorothy and Mildred; three brothers, Dorance "Pete", John and Milton Peterson; the father of her two boys, R.W. Sydmark; a son, Scot Jensen; beloved sisters-in-law, Lydia Jensen Jodlowski, Audrey Peterson, Paulene Peterson, Peggy Peterson Brown, Donna Gail Peterson; a brother-in-law, Ray Long; nephews, Jack Long and Kevin Peterson; and her loved fur baby Kenaye and her beloved Mia who will be meeting her at the Rainbow Bridge.

Not only did Donna enjoy her family, but she also enjoyed cooking and baking and was often heard saying, "If anyone goes from my house hungry, it is their own fault." She felt privileged to serve all people. She was the parish secretary at First Lutheran Church in Iron Mountain, MI, for 36 years before retiring in 2012. She was a member of St. Barbara Church in Vulcan, MI, and served as Eucharistic Minister, reader, and Communion assistant, and she was a member of the St Barbara's Women's League.

Last words from Donna, "Trust in the Lord with all your heart and do not rely on your own insight. In all your ways acknowledge Him and he will make straight your paths." Proverbs 3:5-6

"And don't Fight"

Visitation will be at the Erickson-Rochon & Nash Funeral Home, 901 Carpenter Ave. in Iron Mountain, from 4:00 to 7:00 p.m. on Monday, November 18, 2024. Visitation will continue at St. Barbara Catholic Church,

159 Mission St. in Vulcan, from 10:00 to 11:00 a.m. on Tuesday, Nov. 19, 2024, with Father Martin Flynn officiating the Funeral Mass at 11:00 a.m.

In lieu of flowers donations may be made in Donna's name to benefit the Holy Spirit Catholic School at 201 Saginaw St. in Norway.

Condolences may be expressed to the family of Donna Jensen 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.

# Previous Events

## Visitation

NOV **18**. 4:00 PM - 7:00 PM (CT)

Erickson-Rochon and Nash Funeral Home  
901 Carpenter Avenue  
Iron Mountain, MI 49801  
(906) 774-7676  
nashfuneralhome@gmail.com  
<https://www.ernashfuneralhomes.com/>

## Visitation

NOV **19**. 10:00 AM - 11:00 AM (CT)

St. Barbara Catholic Church  
159 Mission St.  
Vulcan, MI 49892

## Funeral Mass

NOV **19**. 11:00 AM (CT)

St. Barbara Catholic Church  
159 Mission St.  
Vulcan, MI 49892

# Tribute Wall



“ *Larry and Family - So sorry for your loss - you are in our thoughts and prayers. Mary K and the Cathedral Candle Family.* ”

Mary K Rake - November 22, 2024 at 10:23 AM



“ *A [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) was planted in honor of Donna K. Jensen.* ”

November 17, 2024 at 08:19 AM



“ *Enchanted Cottage was purchased for the family of Donna K. Jensen.* ”



November 17, 2024 at 08:19 AM



“ *Ron Jodlowski, Sandy & Mark (and family) purchased the Enchanted Cottage for the family of Donna K. Jensen.* ”



Ron Jodlowski, Sandy & Mark (and family) - November 16, 2024 at 11:50 AM

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“ Matthew and Norma Peterson purchased the Medium Dish Garden for the family of Donna K. Jensen.



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**Matthew and Norma Peterson** - November 15, 2024 at 12:55 PM

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“ Matthew and Norma Peterson planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Donna K. Jensen.

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**Matthew and Norma Peterson** - November 15, 2024 at 12:55 PM



“ Medium Dish Garden was purchased for the family of Donna K. Jensen.



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November 14, 2024 at 11:56 AM

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“ My sincere sympathy to Larry, Paul, and Michael. Donna was truly a loving, thoughtful mother and friend to all who knew her. May she rest in heavenly peace (without a doubt!) and pray for us. She will be missed.

*Rosemary Kmiec*

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**Rosemary Monica Kmiec** - November 14, 2024 at 09:26 AM