



## Ella Mette

June 12, 1922 - June 12, 2005

"Ella Mette"

IRON MOUNTAIN - Ella Mae Mette, 83, of 1309 Evergreen Drive, Iron Mountain, died Sunday, June 12, 2005, at her home.

She was born March 14, 1922, in Foster City. She was the daughter of the late Fred and Beatrice (Foster) Warden.

Ella was raised in Kingsford and graduated from Kingsford High School in 1940.

She married Nobel Carlson on March 1, 1942, at the First Presbyterian Church. He preceded her in death on Oct. 21, 1978.

Ella had worked for Michigan Bell as a telephone operator from 1954 to 1985 until she retired.

On Jan. 22, 1987, she married Glenn Mette. He preceded her in death on July 22, 2000.

Ella was a member of the First Presbyterian Church, Pine Grove Country Club, the Telephone Pioneers, and the Lady Elks. She had spent many winters in Florida and enjoyed traveling, cards, and golf. In later years, she looked forward to joining her friends for lunch at the Breen Center. Most of all, Ella treasured time spent with her three granddaughters.

Ella is survived by two daughters, Lenore (William Kelly) Carlson of Ellicott City, Md., and Annette (Paul) Santoni of Spread Eagle, Wis.; her three granddaughters, Maria Santoni, Kathryn (Chad) Menza, and Kristina (Scott Oswald) Santoni; three sisters, Jeanne Nelson and Ruth D'Andrea, both of

Kingsford, and Mildred Brans of Niagara, Wis.; two brothers-in-law, Robert (Mildred) Mette of lower Michigan and Elmer (Dorothy) Carlson of Sarasota, Fla.; one sister-in-law, Rita Merrick of Green Bay, Wis.; and several nieces, nephews, and close friends survive Ella.

Ella was preceded in death by three brothers, Charles Warden, Donald Warden, and Edward "Mac" Warden; one sister, Carrie Shoquist; one sister-in-law, Ina (Alfred) Walter; and four brothers-in-law, Paul Nelson, Kie Brans, Armond D'Andrea, and Ray Shoquist.

Funeral services will be held at 2 p.m. on Thursday at the First Presbyterian Church in Kingsford. Rev. Michael March will officiate. A fellowship hour will follow in the church hall.

Burial will be in Cemetery Park.

Pallbearers include Chad Menza, Scott Oswald, Mario Santoni, Anthony Santoni, Benjamin Lewis, Gabriel Lewis, and Adam Lewis.

Honorary pallbearers are Paul Santoni, Bill Kelly, Dennis Engquist, Robert Wedin, Albert Santoni, Steve Lewis, Evo Santoni, Zygmund Bonkowski, Harry Ziniel, Roger Knapp, and Robert Morin.

In lieu of flowers, a memorial will be established in her memory.

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

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

# Tribute Wall

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“ I have only known Ella for almost 2 years but she was one of the most caring and sweetest women i had ever met....(one of the nicest dressed ones too)...i am very glad that I got to know her and i will miss her....My deepest sympathy to the family and friends of Ella.

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**Sarah McMahon (housekeeper)** - June 16, 2005 at 12:00 AM

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“ To the family of Ella Mae,  
I knew your mother well from the Michigan Bell days. She and my mom worked together for years. In the years after her retirement, my father and I would visit she and Glen in Florida and play golf together. I still smile when I think of the fun we had, laughing at our golf game going back to their place and cooking and laughing at stories of she and my mom at MA Bell! I know she will be missed. She was a wonderful person. Cindy

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**Cindy Galbraith** - June 15, 2005 at 12:00 AM

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“ Nettie and Family,  
I am so sorry to hear of the passing of your mom. She was such a nice lady when I came knocking on the door asking if you could come out and cheer for us!! So patient with all us kids!! I know she will be missed by you and your girls but you have such wonderful memories. Know you are in my thoughts and prayers.  
With sadness,  
Joan

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**Joan Swartout** - June 13, 2005 at 12:00 AM