



Grace Sanford

July 4, 1924 - July 4, 2010

E. Grace Sanford, 86, of 600 Withworth St. in East Kingsford, died Sunday, July 4, 2010, at Dickinson County Memorial Hospital.

Grace was born Jan. 26, 1924, in Wakefield, daughter of the late Garnet and Elizabeth (Johnson) Trudgeon. Grace graduated from Wakefield High School in 1941. She served in the Nursing Corp. with the United States Army during World War II and was honorably discharged as a second lieutenant in 1946.

She married John Sanford on April 25, 1953, in Wakefield and he preceded her in death on Dec. 14, 2005.

Grace received her bachelor's degree in nursing from Wayne State University and was employed as a registered nurse at Dickinson County Memorial Hospital for more than 30 years.

She was a member of Trinity United Methodist Church and was active in the United Methodist Women (UMW), the Ruth Circle and the Westside Workshop of the church. Grace enjoyed watching wildlife, knitting and loved dogs.

She is survived by two sons, Ronald (Karen Koval) Sanford of Norway and Paul (Julie) Sanford of Skandia; two daughters, JoAnn Sanford of Kingsford and Joyce (Elikplimi) Asem of West Lafayette, Ind.; her sister, Gloria Cain of

Ishpeming; seven grandchildren, Angela (Brian) Londree, Jessica (Mark) Baumler, Adam Sanford, Paul (Carrie) Sanford, Lee Sanford, Michael and Judith Asem; seven great-grandchildren; and a sister-in-law, Evelyn Hamm of Iron Mountain.

Visitation will be held from 10 a.m. to 11 a.m. Wednesday at Trinity United Methodist Church.

Funeral services will be Wednesday at 11 a.m. at the church. Rev. Debbie Thomas will officiate.

Burial will be in Dickinson County Memorial Gardens. Uren-Cooper-Johnson American Legion Post 50 will conduct military graveside services.

In lieu of flowers, a memorial will be established in her memory at Trinity United Methodist Church.

Condolences to the family of Grace Sanford may be expressed online at www.ernashfuneralhomes.com

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

Previous Events

Visitation

JUL 7. 10:00 AM - 11:00 AM (CT)

Trinity United Methodist Church
808 Carpenter Ave.
Iron Mountain, MI 49801

Funeral Service

JUL 7. 11:00 AM (CT)

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Tribute Wall

JG

“ *Grandma was always a caring and wonderful person who will always be missed and loved.*

Jessica Baumler - grandchild - July 14, 2010 at 12:00 AM

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“ *JoAnn and family ~ My deepest sympathy goes out to each of you at the loss of your mom. I worked with Grace off and on over the years she was at the hospital. She always had a smile on her face and made the day a little brighter. I pray that God wraps his loving arms around each of you today and the days ahead.*

Debbie Sleik - Former DCHS RN - July 07, 2010 at 12:00 AM