



## Helen Lehto

December 19, 2006

IRON MOUNTAIN - Helen Elizabeth Johnson Magnuson Lehto, 90, of Breitung Township, passed peacefully on Tuesday, Dec. 19, 2006, at the Florence Villa Nursing Home. She lived a happy and active life.

She was born June 12, 1916, in Escanaba, the first child of the late Emil and Julena (Anderson) Johnson. Helen grew up with her brother, Roy and sister, Jeanette and lived nearly all her life in the Twin Falls area, north of Iron Mountain.

In 1932, she graduated from Kingsford High School.

Helen met and married Clarence Magnuson on her 21st birthday, June 12, 1937. Clarence passed away in 1954.

She married Sulho "Sandy" Lehto in 1969. He preceded her in death in 1985 as did her brother, Roy Johnson in 2002 and her only daughter, Julie Robinson in December 2005.

Helen had been an active member of Trinity United Methodist and more recently, a member of First Lutheran Church. She enjoyed reading, taking Swedish language classes and the 500 card club. Helen was an excellent cook and baker. She baked Swedish rye bread and sweet rolls into her late

80s. She had been the caregiver for Meryl Melin for several years.

She is survived by her two sons, Kenneth (Susan) Magnuson of Beaverton, Ore. and Jerry (Doreene) Magnuson of White Bear Lake, Minn.; a son-in-law, Larry Robinson of Fern Township; a sister, Jeanette Burak of Gladstone; five grandchildren, Lindsay Magnuson, Anne (Adam) Magnuson Miller, Courtney (David) Magnuson Davies, G.T. (Kari) Magnuson, and Bradley Robinson; five great-grandchildren, Spencer and Ellie Davies, Arika and Alex Miller, and Lilli Magnuson and several nieces and nephews

Visitation will be held from 9 a.m. to 11 a.m. on Friday at First Lutheran Church in Iron Mountain.

Funeral services will follow at 11a.m. at the church. Rev. James Chinery will officiate.

Burial will be in Cemetery Park.

Memorials may be made in her memory to the Alzheimer's Foundation, The American Cancer Society or the Scandinavian Heritage Foundation, 8800 S.W. Oleson Rd. Portland, Ore. 97223

Condolences may be expressed to the family of Helen Lehto 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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“ Hi Ken,

*Sorry to hear about your Mom passing away. I have many great memories of your home when we were kids and all the winter nights playing games with you, Stan and Ron Lindberg. It was sad to hear your sister Julie passed away also. I just saw your Mother's Obituary this week. My brother Lee lives in Buena Park, CA and subscribes to all the Iron Mountain area newspapers. He sends me articles about people we know. It is great to know you are still around. I did not know where you lived until I read your Mother,s Obituary. Elaine and I are still in Milwaukee. If you have an E-Mail address send it to me. It would be good to hear from you.*

*Doug*

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**Douglas St. Onge** - March 21, 2007 at 12:00 AM

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“ *Please understand that our health does not permit us to attend the funeral of our friend Helen.*

*When time permits, we would appreciate a call from a family member.*

*Elmer and Stella Roberts 774 6284*

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**Elmer and Stella Roberts** - January 05, 2007 at 12:00 AM

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“ We just want you to know that you are all in our thoughts and prayers. We wish we could be there for the funeral. Helen always made us feel welcome in her home. I know you have alot of wonderful memories that will keep her alive in your hearts! God bless you all!

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**Caryl & Ray Novara** - January 04, 2007 at 12:00 AM

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“ I feel lucky to have known Grandma for the last 17 years. My fondest Thanksgiving memories are of the years we were at Grandma's. She was an excellent baker.

*Every time I saw her, she had a smile . . . and I will miss that.*

*Grandma, you will be missed.*

*Adam*

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**Adam Miller** - January 03, 2007 at 12:00 AM