



## Helen Oien

February 18, 1913 - February 18, 2009

KINGSFORD - Helen L. Oien, 96, of Kingsford, died Wednesday, Feb. 18, 2009, at Hyland Nursing Home in Iron Mountain.

She was born on July 29, 1912, in Bloomville, Wis., daughter of the late Herman and Mary (Sebold) Behrens. As a small child she and her family moved to Kingsford where she attended the Kingsford schools graduating from Kingsford High School in 1931.

Helen married Earl Oien in 1934 at the St. Mary and St. Joseph Catholic Church in Iron Mountain, and he preceded her in death in 1956.

She worked many places in her life while raising seven children. She worked in the kitchen at the T&T restaurant and in the school for many years. She loved to knit and was an excellent cook. She was a member of St. Mary Queen of Peace Catholic Church.

Helen is survived by sons, James (Rose) Oien of Kingsford, Edwin (Gail) Oien of Sturtavent, Wis., Richard Oien of Kingsford, Gerald (Kim) Oien of Kenosha, Wis., Thomas (Cindy) Oien of Iron Mountain; daughter, Bette White of Red Feather Lakes, Colo.; brother, William (Delores) Behrens of Homestead, Wis.; sisters, Agnes M. Pearson of Winnipeg, Manitoba, Canada, and Josephine Gallamore of Silver Spring, Md.; grandchildren, Debbie Blevins, Cindy (Don)

Tolbert, David White, Pam (Bill) Revord, Cindy (David) Vivio, Tracy Oien, Kevin Oien, John (Kathy) Oien, Thomas Oien, and Kim Oien; step-grandchildren, Laura (Larry) Rice, Shawn (Connie) Duffy and Patrick Duffy; 16 great-grandchildren and eight step-great-grandchildren; 10 great-great-grandchildren

She was preceded in death by a son, John Daniel Oien, a sister, Ruth Spigarelli, and a son-in-law, Warren White.

A visitation and Mass will be held at St. Mary Queen of Peace Catholic Church at a later date.

Burial will be in the Quinnesec Cemetery.

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

Condolences to the family of Helen L. Oien can 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 funeral arrangements.

# Tribute Wall

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“ Sorry to hear about Helen. What a nice person and family friend for many years... You will miss her but think of all the good times and it does help..  
Kathleen

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**Kathy Bouffiou Opolka** - April 22, 2009 at 12:00 AM

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“ Dick Tracy Kevin, Sorry about your loss of your mother and grandmother my thoughts and prayers are with you.

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**Angela Poquette (Paquin)** - February 24, 2009 at 12:00 AM

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“ My love and heartfelt sympathy to all the family. She is now, deservedly, wrapped in the arms of our Lord. Such a strong, loving and special lady that was the ehipany of motherhood to a wonderful family. I am saddened by your loss, but, sure that the gates of heaven were opened wide for her. God Bless and give you strength. It was my privilege to get to know Helen. She'll always be in my prayers, as will all the family.  
Pat (Wolsker) Michaud Niagara, Wi.

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**Pat (Wolsker) Michaud** - February 21, 2009 at 12:00 AM

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“ Tracy & Kevin,  
Sorry to read about your grandma. My thoughts and prayers are with you.  
Dina

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**Dina Perrault (Degenaer)** - February 20, 2009 at 12:00 AM