



Irene Vanderaa

March 21, 1919 - March 21, 2007

QUINNESEC - Irene Vanderaa, 88, of Quinnesec, died Wednesday, March 21, 2007, at ManorCare Health Services in Kingsford.

She was born on June 29, 1918, in Quinnesec, the daughter of the late Frank and Anna (Macek) Snyder.

Irene graduated from Quinnesec High School. She worked as an administrative assistant at Breitung Township Schools and as a claims adjuster for American Standard in Columbus, Ohio.

Irene was a member of St. Mary and St. Joseph Catholic Church.

She married George Vanderaa in 1946, at St. Mary Catholic Church in Quinnesec. He preceded her in death on April 21, 1989.

Irene is survived by one brother, Charles Snyder of Hackensack, N.J. and many nieces, nephews, great-nieces and great-nephews.

She was preceded in death by two brothers, Frank and Louis Snyder and a sister, Caroline Pipp.

Visitation will be Wednesday from 9:30 a.m. to 11 a.m. at St. Mary and St.

Joseph Catholic Church.

Funeral services will be held at 11 a.m. on Wednesday at the church. Fr. Daniel Zaloga will offer the Mass of Christian Burial.

Burial will be in the Quinnesec Cemetery.

Condolences to the family of Irene Vanderaa can be expressed online at www.ernashfuneralhomes.com.

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

Tribute Wall

JJ

“Irene, you will be missed dearly. I remember when my mom and dad would pack up all seven of us kids to go visit Grandma Phillips and us kids would always be exploring next door at your parents house. I was always curious about the enclosed stairway attached to the second story on the alley side of the house. I remember when you and George moved into the family house, me and my siblings would always check in on the both of you. We could never seem to get enough of George's educational tips on pruning trees and he always had a joke to tell us. You were both humorous and patient with all of us kids.

You met all of our friends, spouses, kids, & pets over the years. You welcomed our visits and always got updates from each of us as to how the family was doing. My brother Pete, my husband (Geno) and myself came up the week of Thanksgiving to do some repairs on the house. I am grateful that I had the opportunity to talk with you this past Thanksgiving. You reminded me that Econo Foods sold Porketta every week. We had porketta for supper that night and it was enjoyed by all. I always enjoyed learning what my dad and his siblings were like growing up because you saw them all grow up. I had forgotten that you also saw my cousin Donny grow up. It was fun listenig to you, my parents, Donny and Rosie talk about your youth years. Times sure have changed more than I could ever have imagined. It is not often that you have a good neighbor and friend that has shared watching three generations of the Phillips famliy grow up and visit their family house upnorth.

Irene your journey has ended here on this earth, but you have left me and my family with lots of memories that we will cherish forever. We will miss your smiling face and infectious laughter.

Sincerely, Jan Jaffke

Jan Jaffke - March 28, 2007 at 12:00 AM

LB

“ Dear family of Irene...It was with sadness that I read of Irene passing....wish I could be there to express my sympathies in person, but Bruce and I spend the winters in Az...Have not seen Irene for some time but she was such a pleasant lady...I know my brother Norman helped out a lot in her last few years....Our thoughts and prayer will be with you at this time...Sincerley...Lois and Bruce Ring.....

Lois Verely Ring and Bruce - March 27, 2007 at 12:00 AM

PF

“ Irene, you will be dearly missed. Everytime we come to visit at the Phillips homestead. I can remember visiting with your mom whenever we were up to visit Grandma Phillips. And as the years have gone by your have watched us all grow up and have met our spouses as well as our children and for some of us, our children's children..God bless you and keep you safe.....I will always remember our conversations when we would sit around the table drinking coffee and talking about the "good ole times" with my parents and other family members who came to visit.... I will miss your friendship, but I will treasure the memories.....

Sincerely, The Flynn's from Greenfield, WI (nee Phillips)

PAT FLYNN - March 27, 2007 at 12:00 AM