



Janice Rosene

September 19, 2004

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IRON MOUNTAIN - Janice Ann Rosene, 52, of Iron Mountain went on to glory at her home on Sunday, Sept. 19, 2004, after a long and courageous battle. Jan was born on Sept. 24, 1951, in Battle Creek, lower Michigan, to the late William and Verna (Vought) McDonald.

Jan met the love of her life, her husband Barry Rosene, in Albion, lower Michigan. They were married on July 26, 1975, and moved to the Upper Peninsula after Jan graduated from Kellogg Community College with an associate degree in nursing. She was first employed as a surgical floor nurse at Bell Memorial Hospital in Ishpeming.

In 1983, she and Barry moved to Iron Mountain with their two children, where they have been residents ever since. Jan was employed as a registered nurse at Dickinson County Healthcare System in the Intensive Care Unit for 11 years and in the Cardiac Rehab Department for nine years.

Jan had a passion for people and selflessly cared for others in many ways. She continued working until a few weeks before her death because of her dedication to the nursing profession.

An active member of the Michigan Nurses Association, Jan served on the Restructuring Task Force and Economic and General Welfare Cabinet at the state level, where in 2001 she received the Economic and General Welfare Cabinet Achievement Award.

Jan was a current member of the Superior Chapter of the Michigan Nurses

Association, where she served as secretary. Last week, the Superior Chapter named their scholarships the Janice Rosene Scholarships for Nursing.

Jan was chosen as Employee of the Month at Dickinson County Healthcare System and was a Runner-Up Nurse Excellence Award Winner. This past May she was recognized at the Michigan Nurses Association Centennial Gala as one of six Nursing Leaders of Today in the state of Michigan.

An active member of St. Mary Queen of Peace Parish in Kingsford, Jan was a Eucharistic Minister and was a member of the St. Anastasia Craft Circle. Jan enjoyed sewing, baking, traveling, making crafts, spending time with her family and friends and serving others in her own quiet way.

She is survived by her loving husband, Barry; a son, William, 25, of Avondale, Ariz.; a daughter, Katie, 24, of Iron Mountain; three sisters, Nancy (Michael) McDonald Headley of Singapore, Peggy (Harry) Dowling of Cathance Lake, Maine and Cathy Ferrell of Lakeland, Fla.; a stepbrother, Michael Fleming of Battle Creek; two stepsisters, Kathey Davis of Dalton, Ga. and Paula (Tom) Guilfoyle of Ceresco, lower Michigan; a stepfather, Darwin Fleming of Battle Creek; a mother-in-law, Florence Rosene Heuring of Menominee; several aunts and uncles, cousins, nieces and nephews, and many special friends, all of whom she loved dearly.

Jan was preceded in death by her father, William McDonald and her mother, Verna (Vought) McDonald Fleming.

Visitation will be Wednesday from 4 p.m. to 8 p.m. at the Erickson-Rochon & Nash Funeral Home.

Funeral services will be held on Thursday at 5:30 p.m. at St. Mary Queen of Peace Catholic Church. Fr. Mike Woempner will offer the Mass of Christian Burial. Burial will be in Cemetery Park in Iron Mountain.

Condolences may be expressed to the family of Jan Rosene online at www.er-nashfuneralhomes.com.

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

Tribute Wall

NM

“ *Barry, Bill & Katie*

I have never been as touched at a funeral mass than I was last night. The words spoken by Father Mike were so very appropriate and well thought out. I only wish that I had known Jan better than I did. The three of you were so strong and Bill's speech was overwhelming in the love and care that he showed for his mom. You have the most wonderful memories to take out and cherish of your mom and wife. My prayers are with all of you. May you all find a peace in knowing that she is in a far better place.

Nancy McIntyre - September 24, 2004 at 12:00 AM

UC

“ *Our love, thoughts and prayers go out to all of you. We will miss Jannie's laughter, humor, and always that positive attitude. She signed her name "Just Jan" but that signature was not correct! She was MORE than a Just Jan! Being around Jannie was always an adventure. Her willingness to try new things, meet new people, and help others was truly and inspiration for all of us. Love to you all, Uncle Larry and Cousin Cindy*

Uncle Larry and Cousin Cindy - September 23, 2004 at 12:00 AM

GA

“ Mr. Rosene, Bill & Katie, our prayers and deepest sympathies are with you through this incredibly hard time. Mrs. Rosene was such a strong woman and touched everyone she met with the caring and love she showed to you all. Lean on each other for strength and reflect on all the good times you had together. Take the memories out when you need them most and cherish them. It's hard sometimes to understand why these things happen but above all, know that she was loved. We will pray for your continued healing and strength.

Gen and Mike Angeloff - September 23, 2004 at 12:00 AM

MM

“ I want to express my condolences to Janice's family. Though we've been separated by distance, I can still remember clearly the times when my Uncle Bill's daughters would come and visit us in Kentucky and in Virginia. While these times were few and far too short in duration, I look back with great fondness on the times we spent together. My only wish is that we had all had more opportunity to get to know our respective families in later years, as adults. Jan, I do wish I had told you again how much fun it was to see you again at the family reunion a few years ago. I was so pleased that you able to meet my own son and share some memories with him, especially the memories of how Grandpa used to scare the girls by removing his dentures and rattling them at you and your sisters. Rest easy knowing that you raised a beautiful family, shared with those that loved to share with you and made this world a brighter place for all of us.

Your cousin,
Mark McDonald
Atlanta, Ga.

Mark McDonald - September 23, 2004 at 12:00 AM

PD

“ Dear Barry--My wife and I would like to let you know that your family is in our thoughts and prayers. My sister Shirley commented on how your wife was such a great friend and an excellent nurse. May God Bless you during this difficult time--Pete and Maria Dishaw

Peter Dishaw - September 22, 2004 at 12:00 AM

RM

“ Barry, Bill and Katie:

On behalf of all of Jan's McDonald family, I want to tell you how sorry we are to hear of Jan's passing. She was a kind and gentle person and I wish I had known her longer. All of you are in the thoughts and prayers of McDonalds across the country.

Peace be with you, and with Jan.

R. Shannon McDonald

R. Shannon McDonald - September 22, 2004 at 12:00 AM

GS

“ Barry,
*My heartfelt condolences to you and your family. I knew Jan through Chapter 1 activities and I appreciated her organizational skills and her dedication to our profession.
I will keep your family in my prayers and light a candle for Jan, as she was a light for us and her many patients over the years.*
*Gayla St. Onge RN
Marquette*

Gayla St. Onge - September 22, 2004 at 12:00 AM

BS

“ Dear Florence, Barry, Bill, & Katie,
My deepest heart-felt sympathy and prayers are with you during this time of great loss of Jan, your daughter-in-law, wife, and mother. During her all too short life, she gave so much to her family, community, and profession. May the bravery, strength, and love exhibited by her life sustain you with the many memories of times shared here on earth and with the promise of the resurrection continue again in eternity.

Barbara Skorija - September 21, 2004 at 12:00 AM

JD

“ Barry, Bill, and Katie: My thoughts and prayers are with each of you during this time in your lives. Jan was a wonderful woman. I feel honored to have known her. She will be missed dearly by all. Take care of each other and use each other for strength. God bless you all and may he give you comfort.

Jody Dixon - September 21, 2004 at 12:00 AM