



Jean M. Parmelee

February 10, 1925 - November 25, 2015

Jean M. Parmelee, 90, of Iron Mountain, died Wed. Nov. 25, 2015 at the Golden Living Center in Florence. She was born on Feb. 10, 1925 in Kingsford, the daughter of the late John and Lillie Peterson.

Jean graduated from Kingsford High School. She attended Dundon's Actual Business College in Iron Mountain and the University of Kansas at Emporia.

Jean married David Parmelee on Dec. 4, 1943 in Norman, Oklahoma. His career as a professor brought them to live in many different places including the University of Kansas, University of Minnesota, and to Las Vegas. The couple enjoyed traveling to the Arctic, the North Pole, and Antarctica, as well as thirty foreign countries., pursuing his passion for ornithology. He preceded Jean in death on Dec. 16, 1998.

Jean is survived by her daughter Helen (Steve) Bruzzzone of San Jose, CA, one sister Lois Derrick of Eagle River, WI, one sister-in-law Lorraine Peterson of Iron Mountain, one special niece Susie (Con) Cobb of Kingsford, five nephews Michael (Joanne) Peterson of Iron Mountain, Dan (Dixie) Peterson of Kingsford, Jim (Doreen) Derrick of New Berlin, WI, David (Linda) Derrick of Richfield, WI, and Wayne (Shirley) Lynch of Layton, UT, a special friend and caregiver Diane Feak of Channing, and many great nieces and nephews.

She was preceded in death by one sister Evelyn Lynch, two brothers Kenneth and Marvin Peterson and a niece Janet Mussehl.

Graveside services will be held Thursday at 10:00 am at Cemetery Park. Pastor Kevin Sullivan will officiate.

Condolences to the family of Jean M. Parmelee may be expressed online at www.ernashfuneralhomes.com

The family has entrusted the Erickson-Rochon & Nash Funeral Home and Cremation Services of Iron Mountain with the arrangements.

Cemetery Details

Cemetery Park

101 Cedar Ave.
Iron Mountain, MI 49801

Previous Events

Graveside Service

DEC 3. 10:00 AM (CT)

Cemetery Park
Cedar Ave
Iron Mountain, MI 49801

Tribute Wall

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“ *Nestled
in your wings my little one
This special
morning brings another sun
Tomorrow
see the things that never come
Today*

*When you see me
fly away without you
Shadow on the things you know
Feathers fall around you
and show you the way to go*

Neil Young's "Birds"

helen bruzone - November 09, 2016 at 03:37 PM



Eric L.
Nelson

“ *Helen, my name is Eric Nelson. I just found out about your mother's death.*

I called her every so often throughout. Jean helped me with some Parmelee genealogy.

*Email when you can.
elnelson08865@gmail.com*

Condolences to your family.

Eric

Eric L. Nelson - February 13, 2016 at 09:54 AM



“ *Dear Helen, Thank you for letting us know the sad news that your mother died. She and your dad were a fantastic team and he did not go to Antarctica with us without her. We will always be grateful to them. We love your art work and still have your Twin Kitties card. They are so lovely hiding among the lady slippers with those beautiful catlike eyed moths. Do you still work as an illustrator and cartoonist? Someday we will have to meet as we live very close to you in Saratoga. It's info@cheesemans.com friends! Gail and Doug Cheeseman*

Gail Cheeseman - January 02, 2016 at 04:48 PM

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“ We always looked forward to the Christmas letter from Jean. She reminded us of the good times back in Minnesota, and she always was bragging about Helen. Doc and Jean were important to us when I was finishing graduate school, and somehow they knew that Renate and I would get married....long before we knew it. I miss them both,
Neil Bernstein

Neil Bernstein - December 15, 2015 at 08:23 PM

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“ Jean was a very special person and a dear friend. As a Ph.D. student of her late husband, Dave Parmelee, I was honored by her attention, and will remember her with admiration and love.

Thanks to Diane Feak for notifying me of Jean's passing and for sending a card with Helen's delightful artwork, "Promise."

My sincere condolences to Jean's family. I hope you have many treasured memories to keep her with you. -- Pam Pietz (St. Cloud, MN)

Pamela Jo Pietz - December 15, 2015 at 09:55 AM