



Joan Murra

June 3, 1930 - June 3, 2006

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IRON MOUNTAIN - Joan Marie Murra, 76, of N3688 Bass Lake Road, Iron Mountain, died Saturday, June 3, 2006, at ManorCare Health Services in Kingsford.

She was born on Jan. 3, 1930, in Ironwood, the daughter of the late Arthur and Anna (Archambeau) Westergreen.

Joan graduated from St. Ambrose High School in 1947 in Ironwood. She worked at Kresge's in Ironwood and at JC Penney's in Iron Mountain. Joan was a member of Immaculate Conception Catholic Church and the Daughters of Isabella.

She enjoyed playing bingo, reading the Bible, watching EWTN, praying the rosary and playing with her cat Mouser and her son's dog Molly. Joan taught piano for many years. She was an active member of the United Sportsman Club for many years and helped with the motorcycle races and the concession stand.

Joan married William Murra on July 1, 1950, at St. Ambrose Catholic Church in Ironwood.

She is survived by her husband, William; five children, Jo Ann (Larry) Johnson, Diane (Dave) Warmuth, and Patrick (Helen) Murra, all of Iron Mountain, Bill Murra of Sagola, and Jason (Linda) Murra of Rapid River; eight grandchildren, Deanna (Brent) Price of Port Angeles, Wash., Dustin Warmuth of Iron Mountain, Shawna Johnson of DePere, Wis., Jeremy (Carrie) Johnson of Lake Odessa, lower Michigan and Michael Murra, Marcus Murra, Amber Pigott, and Travis Pigott, all of Escanaba; one great-granddaughter, Polly Price and one great-grandson, to be born in August, Riley Johnson.

Joan was preceded in death by two children, Mary and John Murra; one sister, Louise Celinsky; and three brothers, Arthur, William, and Harry Westergreen.

Visitation will be held on Wednesday from 5 p.m. to 8 p.m. at Erickson-Rochon & Nash Funeral Home. The Daughters of Isabella will say the rosary Wednesday at 6:30 p.m. at the funeral home.

Funeral services will be Thursday at 9:30 a.m. at the funeral home and at 10 a.m. at Immaculate Conception Catholic Church. Msgr. James Kaczmarek will offer the Mass of Christian Burial.

Burial will be in Cemetery Park.

Condolences may be expressed to the family of Joan Murra online at www.ernashfuneralhomes.com

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

Tribute Wall

DF

“ Dear Bill..and Family....very sorry to hear about your mother..our thoughts an prayers are with,you god bless.....d miller

dick miller n family - June 11, 2006 at 12:00 AM

DB

“ Bill and Family,
My brother George and I send our condolences regarding the passing of Joan. Had our brother Vince been alive, he would have joined us in sending this message. The Briar and Murra families have had a long history of being friends and neighbors in Ironwood. Our thoughts and prayers go out to you and your family.

Dennis and George Briar

Dennis Briar - June 11, 2006 at 12:00 AM

MY

“ Hello Uncle Billy -
I am so sorry to hear of Aunt Joanie's passing. I have wonderful memories of all of you when I was a child and of our trips to Michigan and Wisconsin to the Murra Family reunions. May you find comfort and peace in the arms of your family at this most difficult time. Take Care.

Love,
Mary Yeager
and the family of Margaret Lockhart

Mary Yeager - June 11, 2006 at 12:00 AM

BG

“ Dear Jason, Linda and family:

Bill and I were so sorry to read about the death of your mother and grandmother. Please know that we are thinking of you during this time of loss and pray that you know God's mercy during this time of sadness. May memories of your mom and grandmother bring peace to your hearts.

Our deepest sympathy.

Bill & Chetti Green

Bill & Chetti Green - June 11, 2006 at 12:00 AM