



Lila Makela

February 26, 1922 - November 25, 2003

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KINGSFORD - Lila Makela, 81, of 740 Saratoga St. in Kingsford, went to be with the Lord on Tuesday, Nov. 25, 2003.

Lila was born Feb. 26, 1922, in Floodwood, Minn., daughter of the late Toivo and Hilda (Rytioja) Hamari. She had been a lifelong resident of this area and was a graduate of Kingsford High School.

She married Arvo M. Makela on June 9, 1943, in Marquette County. He preceded her in death on May 6, 1970. Lila attended Immanuel Baptist Church.

She was also preceded in death by her son, Daniel; a sister, Hilka Bartolameolli; and a brother, Duane Hamari.

She is survived by her sons, Jerry (Linda) Makela and Wayne (Linda) Makela, both of Iron Mountain; a daughter, Pauline (Jack) Underhill of Iron Mountain; her four brothers, Rueben (Barbara) Hamari of Kingsford, Allen (Kathy) Hamari of New Brighton, Minn., Roy (Garon) Hamari of Kingsford and Donald (Marge) Hamari of Kingsford; a sister, Helen Wickman of Kingsford; eight grandchildren, Michelle (Randy) Danielson of Minnetonka, Minn., Ann (Eric, fiance') Makela of Madison, Wis., Christine (Mike) Smajda of Escanaba, Beth (Matt) VanDenElzen of Green Bay, Wis., Jeff and Jon Underhill of Green Bay, Nicole Makela of Marquette and Nathan Makela of Iron Mountain; five great-grandchildren, Andrew and Emily Smajda and Owen, Jackson and Lila VanDenElzen; and many nieces and nephews.

Visitation will be held Saturday from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. at the Erickson-Rochon & Nash Funeral Home in Iron Mountain. Funeral services will be held Saturday at 1 p.m. at the funeral home. Rev. Richard Kreider will officiate.

Burial will be in the Quinnesec Cemetery.

Condolences may be expressed to the family of Lila Makela online at www.ernashfuneralhomes.com.

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