



Lois Johanna DiBiase

October 20, 1923 - October 20, 2006

IRON MOUNTAIN - Lois Anna Johanna DiBiase, 83, of 613 West B St., Iron Mountain, died Friday, Oct. 20, 2006, at Dickinson County Memorial Hospital in Iron Mountain.

She was born on Dec. 8, 1922, in Metropolitan, the daughter of the late Emil and Ida (Wickman) Mattson.

Lois graduated from Felch High School. She worked at Kemper Insurance in Chicago, as a telephone operator at Michigan Bell, and as a dispatcher for the Dickinson County Sheriff's Department. After retiring, Lois and her husband, Frank spent many winters in Brooksville, Fla.

She was an active member of First Lutheran Church and its quilting group. She enjoyed knitting, quilting, doing crossword puzzles, going for walks, and collecting angels.

Lois was very devoted to her faith and to her family.

She married Frank DiBiase on April 13, 1946, in Iron Mountain. The couple celebrated 60 years of marriage this year.

Lois is survived by her husband, Frank; two daughters, Yvonne (Tom) Sericati

of New Baltimore, lower Michigan and Cindy Reynolds of Iron Mountain; two brothers, Elroy (Dee) Mattson and David Mattson, both of Iron Mountain; six grandchildren, Tami (Jerry) Higgins, Traci Sericati, John (Rhonda) Reynolds, Brad (Jessie) Reynolds, Steven Reynolds, and Nicholas Reynolds; five great-grandchildren, Madisun and Catelyn Higgins and Tyler, Hunter and Hailey Reynolds; one sister-in-law, Sally Mattson of Appleton, Wis.; two godsons, Dennis Mattson and Richard Bongi; and many other loving relatives and friends.

She was preceded in death by two brothers, Esley Mattson and Donald Mattson; one sister, Phyllis (David) Bongi, and a sister-in-law, Alberta Mattson.

Visitation will be Sunday from 4 p.m. to 7 p.m. at the Erickson-Rochon and Nash Funeral Home. A prayer service will be held at 6 p.m. Sunday at the funeral home. Rev. James Chinery and Rev. David Anderson will officiate. Funeral services will be Monday at 10 a.m. at First Lutheran Church. Rev. James Chinery will officiate.

Burial will be in Cemetery Park.

Her grandsons and godsons will serve as pallbearers.

In lieu of flowers, memorials may be made to Sjogren's Syndrome Foundation Inc., the American Lung Association, or the First Lutheran Church.

Condolences may be expressed to the family of Lois DiBiase online at www.ernashfuneralhomes.com

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

Tribute Wall

DP

“ To Lois' Family-

I worked at Michigan Bell with Lois for many years. She was one of the nicest people I have ever met. I do not get the paper and just discovered I can read the Daily News online so I apologize for this delay. Please accept my most sincere sympathy.

Diane Pepler

Diane Pepler - February 17, 2007 at 12:00 AM

SB

“ Yvonne & Tom, I'm so sorry to here about your Mom. You and your family are in my thoughts and prayers.

Sally Jo Wheeler Bailey - December 12, 2006 at 12:00 AM

VS

“ I am sadden to hear of Lois's Passing, I worked with her at the Sheriff's Dept, she was a very kind person that everyone couldn't help but enjoy. My prayers are with you as a family, and you too "RED".

Venessa Kuzak Statum

Venessa Kuzak Statum - October 25, 2006 at 12:00 AM

SM

“ Dear Uncle Frank, Yvonne, Cindy & families...we know the love of close family and friends will help you through the days ahead. Auntie Lois will definitely be missed...what a wonderful, thoughtful and caring person she was always... you all will remain in our thoughts and prayers. God Bless all of you, Sharon & Esley

Sharon & Esley Mattson - October 23, 2006 at 12:00 AM

BJ

“ Uncle Frank, Yvonne, Cindy and families. We were so very sorry to hear about Aunt Lois and although we weren't able to make the trip up north to extend our sympathy in person we want you to know that our thoughts and prayers go out to all of you during this so very sorrowful and difficult time. Aunt Lois was a very special lady who we loved dearly and we're going to miss seeing her on our yearly trips up north. She will remain in the hearts of all of us. Carl, Laun and I send our deepest sympathy to all. God Bless and Take Care

Bonnie (DiBiase) Johnson - October 23, 2006 at 12:00 AM

SD

“ Dear Uncle Frank, Yvonne, Cindy and Families, Our thoughts and prayers are with you. Aunt Lois's Love will be around us always. Our deepest sympathy to you all. Sue and Art.

Susie DiBiase-Nicholl - October 22, 2006 at 12:00 AM

BJ

“ Uncle Frank, Yvonne, Cindy and Families,

Our thoughts and prayers are with you during this difficult time.

With our deepest sympathy to you all.

Betty Ann and Owen Johnson

Betty Ann Johnson - October 22, 2006 at 12:00 AM

RS

“ Yvonne and Family,
Even though we are so far away our thoughts and prayers are with
you. Remember you are loved by many.
Renee Sun and Brenda Tuttle

Renee L. Sun - October 22, 2006 at 12:00 AM