



## Louise P. Fontecchio

March 26, 1930 - February 18, 2018

Louise P. Fontecchio, 87 of Iron Mountain, passed away on Sunday, February 18, 2018 at the Freeman Nursing and Rehabilitation Community in Kingsford surrounded by her loving family. She was born on March 26, 1930 in Iron Mountain, daughter of the late Ceasar and Katherine (Mendini) Orella. She attended the Iron Mountain schools, graduating from Iron Mountain High School in 1948. She married Anthony Fontecchio on August 27, 1949 in Milwaukee, Wisconsin, and he preceded her in death on September 9, 1991 after more than 42 wonderful years together.

Louise was a lifelong resident of Iron Mountain. She was a longtime member of the Immaculate Conception Catholic Church and a former member of the Pine Grove Country Club, the Daughters of Isabella and the Red Hat Society. For many years her and her friends, known as the "Golden Girls" would meet for lunch and many laughs. In her free time she loved playing golf, cooking and crocheting. She especially loved spending time with her family and friends. She remained young at heart and always jumped at the chance to go on mini adventures with her great grandchildren who she lived for.

Louise is survived by her daughter, Patti (Jeffrey) Gill of Iron Mountain; a son, John (Kelly) Fontecchio of Plymouth, MN; four grandchildren, Kristi (Michael) Solda of Norway, Julie (David) VanHolla of Norway, Karen (Dan) Luckow of

Appleton, WI, and Allison Fontecchio of Plymouth, MN; 7 great grandchildren, Matt and Tony Solda, Ada, Jeff and Donna VanHolla, Drew and Natalie Luckow; sisters, Jeanette Roecker of Louisville, KY and Bette Jean (Lynn) Gordon of Mosinee, WI; sisters in-law, Marie Orella and Clare Fontecchio; Many nieces and nephews

She was preceded in death by a sister, Bernadette (Jack) Taylor; brothers, Bernard (Dorothy) Orella and Francis Orella; mother and father in-law, Assunta and Isadoro Fontecchio; sisters in-law, Yolanda (Dick) Tierney, Marian (Otto) Bottger, Lillian (Gerald) Witter, and Elaine (Lefty) Osieczonek; brothers in-law, William Roecker, Jim (Lorraine) Fontecchio, August Fontecchio, Vis (Louise) Fontecchio, and John Fontecchio; a very special niece, Julie Taylor

A Visitation is scheduled for Saturday, April 14, 2018 from 11:00 am to 12:30 pm at the Erickson-Rochon and Nash Funeral Home in Iron Mountain. A Memorial Mass will follow at 1:00 pm at the Immaculate Conception Catholic Church. Fr. Raymond Valerio will offer the Mass of Christian Burial. Burial will be in the Iron Mountain Cemetery Park.

In lieu of flowers a memorial will be established in her memory.

The Family would like to thank the Staff of the Freeman Nursing and Rehabilitation Community for their kind and compassionate care of Mom over the past 2-1/2 years.

Condolences to the family of Louise P. Fontecchio may be expressed online at [www.ernashfuneralhomes.com](http://www.ernashfuneralhomes.com)

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



# Cemetery Details

## Cemetery Park

101 Cedar Ave.  
Iron Mountain, MI 49801

# Previous Events

## Visitation

APR 14. 11:00 AM - 12:30 PM (CT)

Erickson-Rochon and Nash Funeral Home  
901 Carpenter Ave.  
Iron Mountain, MI 49801

## Funeral Mass

APR 14. 1:00 PM (CT)

Immaculate Conception Catholic Church  
500 Blaine St.  
Iron Mountain, MI 49801

# Tribute Wall

CS

“ Patti, Kristi and Family,  
I had the pleasure of spending time with Lolo at Freeman's when I worked in the Activities Department. She was so much fun to be around! Life of the party. I know how devoted you were to her, seeing you visit her so often. I am sorry for your loss and will keep you in my prayers. May she rest in peace.

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**Cecilia Smith** - April 14, 2018 at 10:49 AM

MH

“ Patti, Your Mom was quite the gal and was so lucky to have a loving caring daughter like you **XOX**

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**marian hiatt** - April 12, 2018 at 05:56 PM

LM

“ To the Fontecchio Family,  
I was so sad to hear that Lolo had passed. She was such a nice lady and one of the "Italian fixtures" from the north side families I grew up with. There are not many of our parents left anymore. We always stopped and chatted when I would see her and have a few laughs. Such a loss when your parents/grandparents pass. I want to say a special hello to John. My goodness I haven't seen you in years, John but your mom kept me up to date. :). I wish I could make the funeral to see you. Our thoughts and prayers are with all of you.

Love, Lori (Ganz) & Mike Mellon

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**Lori Mellon** - April 11, 2018 at 11:20 AM

MH

“ *Patti and family...so sorry for the loss of Lola....I will always remember her smile and laugh...thoughts and prayers are with you all...God Bless Mary Ann (DeCarlo) Hill*

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**mary ann hill** - April 09, 2018 at 06:52 PM

OW

“ *A beautiful soul entered into her heavenly home on Feb. 18th. It was always a pleasure to visit with Lulu whenever we chanced to meet at the grocery store, or at her grand childrens events,or at Red Hat gatherings and later as she was a resident at Freemans Nursing Home when Golden K singers sang there monthly. She still smiled to see us and joined in singing. My sincere sympathy to her family along with my prayers.*



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**Orice Walters** - March 06, 2018 at 07:28 PM

CG

“ *Dear Patti and Jeff, John and Kelly, and families,*

*We are so sorry to hear about LoLo. She was an amazing lady with a wonderful sense of humor. She will be missed. May she Rest In Peace.*

*Love and sympathy to all.*

*Rod and Cynthia Gordon*

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**cynthia gordon** - February 26, 2018 at 07:52 AM

JF

“ I am so sorry to hear about my good buddy ‘s passing. I just loved “Lulu” (my nickname for her). I looked forward to doing her lawn because of how she’d always make me laugh and share the stories of all the north side Italians and the biscotti she made She will be missed. It was my good fortune to have had the opportunity to get to know her I offer my deepest sympathy Gonna miss her! Sincerely Jim Fornetti

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**Jim Fornetti** - February 25, 2018 at 01:26 PM

DS

“ So sorry for your loss. Met your mom a few years ago and had many many laughs. She was one of the nicest, funnInst and good hearted ladies I’ve ever met. For the few times we talked, she will forever have a place in my heart. You are so blessed to have her as a mom and Grandma. God bless you all and forever enjoy your memories. 🙏❤️❤️



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**Debby Sullivan** - February 23, 2018 at 03:27 PM

KM

“ Our thoughts and prayers are with you and your family. Gary and Kathy Maynard

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**Kathy Maynard** - February 23, 2018 at 12:47 PM