



## Marcia E. Peterson

June 30, 1937 - January 17, 2025

Marcia Elizabeth (Clement) Peterson, 87, of Kingsford, Michigan, passed away peacefully surrounded by her loved ones on Friday, January 17, 2025, at Evergreen Assisted Living. Marcia was born on June 30, 1937, in Escanaba, Michigan, to Dr. Joseph & Muriel Clement.

Marcia graduated from Iron Mountain High School in 1955. During high school, she was active in cheerleading, drama, ice skating, and many social activities. She also worked at A&W Restaurant as a roller skating carhop. On April 28, 1956, Marcia married Lloyd (Buzz) Peterson at St Mary & St Joseph Catholic Church. They eventually settled in Kingsford and started their family of six children.

Marcia worked mainly at Michigan Bell as an operator and stayed with them in the transition to Ameritech as a maintenance engineer. She also worked at Miller Floral, sharing her creative side with the beautiful flower arrangements she created that brought delight to those who received them.

Marcia shared her love of travel and adventure with her family by arranging many memorable vacations. Some of which included West Point/New York City to visit her brother Steve's family, Big Pine Key, Florida, to visit her parents who wintered there, and many other places. Marcia traveled abroad to Italy with her dear friend, Armine Mattia, and drove many times to and from

San Antonio, Texas, to spend time with family. Marcia was a member of Oak Crest Golf Club and played weekly with family and friends. Marcia was lovingly known as Nona to many, and perhaps her favorite pastime was watching all the sporting events/activities of her children and grandchildren as their biggest supporter.

In 1970 the Peterson family camp was built in Waucedah. Many years of enjoyment have been shared between family and friends, including family reunions, snowmobile adventures, and bonfires with sing alongs. Each year everyone marks their calendar for the annual "Garbage Can" Turkey Feast! One of the greatest wishes of Marcia and Buzz was that these traditions continue long into the future!

Marcia is survived by a son, Michael (Denice) Peterson; daughters, Ann (Bruce) Olson, Katharine (Steven) Barnes, Linda (Gale) Michaud, and Kim (Todd) Collins; grandchildren, Matthew (Alicia) Peterson, Andrew (Jill) Peterson, Josh (Marie) Peterson, Sara (Fadi) Salem, Stacy (Matt) Lutz, Kristina (Jeremy) Calnin, Derek (Ali) Barnes, Sydney Peterson, Brandon Michaud, Daniel (Courtney) Michaud, Cole (Allison) Michaud, Abby Michaud, Anthony (Kari) Collins, and Emily (Derek) Collins; great-grandchildren, Cooper and Myles Michaud, Gus Peterson, Olivia and Jude Salem, Luka and Lakelyn Lutz, Emmett Calnin, and Bryor Barnes; brothers, John (Betty) Clement and Dr. Stephen (Danielle) Clement; brother-in-law, Eugene (Chris) Peterson; and sister-in-law, Karen Peterson-Weslowski.

Marcia was preceded in death by her husband Lloyd "Buzz" Peterson, a son, Jeffrey Peterson, her parents, Dr. Joseph and Muriel Clement, an infant brother, Joseph Clement, and her in-laws, Lloyd and Grace Peterson.

A private family viewing will be held on Thursday at the Erickson-Rochon & Nash Funeral Home in Iron Mountain. A public Catholic mass will take place

at 11:00 am at American Martyrs Catholic Church in Kingsford. Monsignor Joseph Gouin will offer the Mass of Christian Burial. Burial will be in Cemetery Park, and her cherished grandsons will serve as pallbearers.

Per Marcia's wishes, please join in a celebration of her life at the family residence immediately following the mass.

In lieu of flowers, memorials can be made to the Peterson Memorial Scholarship, which was started in the memory of Buzz and Jeff and now to include Marcia.

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

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

# Cemetery Details

## Cemetery Park

Cedar Ave  
Iron Mountain, MI 49801

# Previous Events

## Mass of Christian Burial

JAN 23. 11:00 AM (CT)

American Martyrs Catholic Church  
908 W. Sagola Ave.  
Kingsford, MI 49802

# Tribute Wall



“ sorry for your loss i will miss her spunky attitude when i took care of her. she was an amazin lady n will be missed

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valerie - January 30, 2025 at 03:06 AM



“ In loving memory of Jeff Peterson purchased the Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum for the family of Marcia E. Peterson.



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In loving memory of Jeff Peterson - January 23, 2025 at 11:36 AM



“ A [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) was planted in honor of Marcia E. Peterson.

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January 22, 2025 at 01:26 PM



“ Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum was purchased for the family of Marcia E. Peterson.



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January 22, 2025 at 01:26 PM



“ A [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) was planted in honor of Marcia E. Peterson.

January 22, 2025 at 01:03 PM



“ Sentiments of Serenity Spray was purchased for the family of Marcia E. Peterson.



January 22, 2025 at 01:03 PM



“ Forever Our Angel Bouquet was purchased for the family of Marcia E. Peterson.



January 22, 2025 at 08:49 AM



“ Dear Petersons,  
So sorry for the loss of this fine lady. My fondest memory of Marcia is talking sports. She was always up on what was going on in the high school, college and professional games. It was a pleasure to know her- she is missed. Sorry I can't make the funeral, as a previous appointment has me out of town. God bless. Andy Wiltzius

Andy P Wiltzius - January 22, 2025 at 08:42 AM

TW

“ Our sincere condolences to all of Marcia's family. Although I have not had contact with her for many years, I remember her and my Aunt Muriel and Uncle Joe. May she rest in peace. Tom and Mary Whittington

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**Tom Whittington** - January 21, 2025 at 08:50 PM

VP

“ My sincere condolences to the entire Peterson family. I consider myself lucky to have witnessed the legacy that Mrs. Peterson created. The Peterson home was always a welcoming place, filled with family and friends, great food, lots of laughter, and not to mention the occasional prank or two. I will always remember the kindness and love she shared and the pleasure of being part of those special times.



*She will be deeply missed.*  
Valerie Peterson

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**Valerie Peterson** - January 20, 2025 at 09:04 PM

WW

“ Wendy Welch lit a candle in memory of Marcia E. Peterson



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**Wendy Welch** - January 20, 2025 at 05:41 PM

GK

“ Gene and Karen purchased the Peaceful White Lilies Basket for the family of Marcia E. Peterson.



Gene and Karen - January 20, 2025 at 04:02 PM

WW

“ 1 file added to the tribute wall



Wendy Welch - January 20, 2025 at 10:57 AM

KB

I am thankful for your friendship Wendy the photo just shows one of many.

katharine barnes - January 20, 2025 at 03:42 PM

JO

“ Josie purchased the Full Of Love Bouquet for the family of Marcia E. Peterson.



Josie - January 20, 2025 at 10:26 AM



“ *Your Light Shines* was purchased for the family of *Marcia E. Peterson*.



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January 20, 2025 at 05:42 AM



“ *Sydney Peterson lit a candle in memory of Marcia E. Peterson*



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**Sydney Peterson** - January 19, 2025 at 05:37 PM

SP

“ I loved visiting my UP family and staying at my Nona's house. When you walked into Nona's home, you weren't a guest—you were family. The fridge was always stocked with her grandkids' favorite pops and, of course, some beer for the adults. The kitchen was filled with the fabulous aroma of Nona's homemade marinara sauce with gnocchi or the comforting scent of pasties baking in the oven. While I was there, Nona always kept me busy. We would go around town visiting my aunts, uncles, and cousins. Of course, there was always one special day when we had lunch at A&W—cheese curds were a must! But I think my fondest memories are of sitting on the porch with Nona, simply learning about her life—how she met Papa, her job at AT&T, and how she raised all of my warmhearted aunts and uncles (including my dad).  
A piece of my heart has gone with Nona, but I'm comforted knowing she has reunited with my dad and Papa.



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**Sydney Peterson** - January 19, 2025 at 05:35 PM