



Marilyn Jenness

June 12, 1944 - June 12, 2010

Marilyn G. Jenness, 66, of Quinnesec, died Saturday, June 12, 2010, at Maryhill Manor in Niagara.

She was born on June 23, 1943, in Minneapolis, the daughter of the late Frank and Eldora (Kolling) Kielmeyer. Marilyn grew up in Faribault, Minn., and graduated from high school in 1961.

She married Maurice V. Jenness III on April 14, 1973, in Northfield, Minn. He preceded her in death on June 21, 2002.

Marilyn was a longtime resident of Quinnesec. For 24 years she served as the secretary at Quinnesec United Methodist Church, where she was an active member. She enjoyed spending time with her grandchildren, who affectionately called her "Gramma."

Marilyn was well-known for the many crafts that she made and generously shared with others. She crocheted many afghans, doilies, Christmas ornaments, dishcloths and stoles. Marilyn also enjoyed knitting Christmas stockings, mittens, and socks. Through the years she sewed many Raggedy Ann and Andy dolls, neck pillows, Christmas ornaments, Cabbage Patch Dolls, and Strawberry Shortcake Dolls. She shared her hand-sewn dolls with the newborn babies at her church and made hats for the preemies at the

hospital. She also enjoyed gardening, canning, reading and going to garage sales.

Marilyn is survived by three sons, Corey C. (Kelly J.) Jenness of Kingsford and their children, Owen and Claire, Courtney M. (Kelli E.) Jenness of Ypsilanti and their son, Max, and Ryan Jenness of Ypsilanti; one sister, Ruth A. Johnson-Wirth of Northfield; two brothers, Virgil K. (Lois) Kilmeyer of Simpsonville, S.C. and Richard J. (Laurie) Kilmeyer of Cohasset, Ma.; one sister-in-law, Beverly Kilmeyer of Lake Wales, Fla.; her brothers-in-law, Charlie and Kevin Jenness and her sister-in-law, Katherine Lloyd and many nieces and nephews.

She was preceded in death by one brother, Ronald F. Kilmeyer.

Visitation will be held on Wednesday from 5 p.m. to 7 p.m. at Erickson-Rochon & Nash Funeral Home and Thursday from 10 a.m. to 11 a.m. at Quinnesec United Methodist Church.

Funeral services will be held at 11 a.m. on Thursday at the church. Rev. Peggy Paige will officiate.

Burial will be in the Quinnesec Cemetery.

Memorials can be made to the Quinnesec United Methodist Church.

Condolences to the family of Marilyn G. Jenness can be expressed online at www.ernashfuneralhomes.com

The family has entrusted the Erickson-Rochon & Nash Funeral Home with the arrangements.

Previous Events

Visitation

JUN 16. 5:00 PM - 7:00 PM (CT)

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

Visitation

JUN 17. 10:00 AM - 11:00 AM (CT)

Quinnesec United Methodist Church
677 Division St.
Quinnesec, MI 49876

Funeral Service

JUN 17. 11:00 AM (CT)

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Tribute Wall

GF

“ Dear children and grandchildren of Marilyn, I only recently learned of Marilyn's death. I was so saddened by the news. We had only just reconnected about a year ago, having lost touch over the years. Your mom and grandmother was my dear friend from the time i was 9 years old. She lived across the street from me and we essentially grew up together. I remember playing with dolls in my front yard and helping her baby-sit for Ron's children. We had wonderful times and she was a beautiful person inside and out. Marilyn was my personal attendant when I got married. I last saw her in 1995 when she was gracious enough to travel all the way to Faribault for my mother's 90th birthday celebration. Too little time was spent with her and your dad that day, with over a100 people gathered my time was fractured at best. I loved your mom and grandmom dearly and I will miss her even though we have been far apart all these years. She was and always will be in my heart. Sincerely, Gratia Poirier Nagle

Gratia Nagle - Dover, PA - long-time friend - October 04, 2010 at 12:00 AM

CL

“ My Late husband, Chris Cummins, shared many many stories of his cousin Maury and their college years at Mankato State University. I only met your family once and that was at Buzz and Bettes 50th anniversary party but I want to extend my heartfelt sympathy to your families. Cyndee Cummins and Molly Cummins

Cyndee Cummins - Eagan, MN - cousin in law - June 19, 2010 at 12:00 AM

BL

“ We just learned of Marilyn's passing and, on behalf of Aunt Bette and Maury's Cummins cousins (Buzz, Laura, Julie and Charlie), wanted to express our condolences. Marilyn and Mo were wonderful folks, and our sympathies go out to Corey, Courtney, Ryan and their families. Please let Aunt B or me know if you're ever in the Twin Cities.

Buzz Cummins - St. Paul, MN - Cousin - in - law - June 17, 2010 at 12:00 AM

PP

“ Marilyn was one sweet lady who left this world a better place for her having been here - by virtue of her faith and her inner strength. She always gave more than she received, and smiled her way through the thickets of life. She will be deeply missed by many of us from the Iron Mountain-Quinnesec area. Count Julie and I among them and as ones who remember her abiding kindness.

Pastor Dave Snyder - Gladwin, MI - former pastor - June 17, 2010 at 12:00 AM

CC

“ Dear Courtney, Kelli, Max and family,
It saddens us to know you have lost your mom and grandma, who loved you so much. We know she will be with you no matter where you are as you move forward in life and her love never ends. We love you very much.

Cara, Cyrille, Juliette, and Xavier Thenot - Philadelphia, PA - sister, brother-in-law, cousin - June 16, 2010 at 12:00 AM

MS

“ We were all so surprised to hear of Marilyn's death and so sad. She was a wonderful wife and mother and left a great legacy in her three boys and grandchildren. We have so many fond memories of her. Wish we could give y'all a big hug.

Mary Jenness - Evans, GA - sister-in-law - June 15, 2010 at 12:00 AM

BM

“ When I moved here from Montana at age 12 or so, it was tough making friends and fitting in. Marilyn made me feel like part of her family, I have many good memories of hanging around her house.

You will be missed.

Brian Burger - Kingsford, MI - June 15, 2010 at 12:00 AM

MC

“ When I think of Marilyn, two words come to mind - Trust & Humor. My main time spent with Marilyn was at FUM church, while being pastored under Doug McMunn and Bill Seitz. Oh how Pastor Doug and Pastor Bill loved her -- And - depended on her!!! Marilyn was a significant mentor to me as a young worker in the church - and most importantly, as a Mother. Marilyn's wisdom was always peacefully given though friendship, quick humor, and her mischievous smile! God has had favor on me in allowing me time with such a wonderful woman.

Marsha Nurmela - Friend from First UM Church - June 15, 2010 at 12:00 AM

TF

“ Ryan, Courtney, Corey and family - My thoughts and prayers are with you during this difficult time. Your mom was such a sweetheart. So sorry for your loss. With deepest sympathy, Tracy, Brian and boys

Tracy Phillips - Rockford, MI - friend - June 15, 2010 at 12:00 AM

GF

“ Courtney we are so sad to hear of your mothers passing. Our thoughts and prayers are with you and your family.
Gary and Terry Monkaba

Gary Monkaba - Troy , MI - Friend - June 15, 2010 at 12:00 AM

JF

“ *Jeness boys and families. --Deepest sympathy in the loss of your mother. I had the pleasure of meeting her when you boys were in high school. We worked many concession stands together and many fund raisers. --She sure loved you boys. Keeping you in prayer.*

JEAN KOSKI - KINGSFORD , MI - FRIEND - June 14, 2010 at 12:00 AM

AK

“ *Corey, Kelly and family,*

My deepest sympathy to you and yours during this most trying and sorrowful time. May the strength of family and friends and the Lord's healing powers help you in the loss of your mother (-in-law).

*God bless,
Amanda*

Amanda Cardew - Kingsford, MI - friend of Kelly - June 14, 2010 at 12:00 AM