



Marilyn R. Becker

April 4, 1934 - August 8, 2014

Marilyn R. Becker, 80, of Niagara, passed away on Friday, August 8, 2014 at her home. She was born on April 4, 1934 in Kunesh, Wisconsin, the daughter of the late Rev. Peter and Sylvia (Vorpal) Buenting. Following her graduation from high school, Marilyn attended Wartburg College for two years. She has worked her entire life and has had several occupations including being a ticket agent for Northwest Airline in Chicago. Marilyn married Eugene "Geno" Becker in Detroit on January 30, 1987. The couple moved to Niagara in 1998. Eugene preceded her in death on August 26, 2012.

Marilyn was a member of First Lutheran Church of Iron Mountain and was involved with the Stephen Ministries for many years.

She is survived by her son, Peter of Wayne, MI; a sister, Doloris Ruechel of Niagara; a brother, Rev. Howard (Roberta) Buenting of Shawano, WI; sister in law, Patricia Buenting of Perrysville, OH; a godchild-niece, Kristie Eagles and many other nephews and nieces whom she dearly loved.

Visitation will be held on Saturday, August 16th from 10:00-11:00am at First Lutheran Church of Iron Mountain.

A memorial service will follow at 11:00am at First Lutheran Church, with a luncheon to follow. Rev. James Lindgren will officiate.

Condolences may be expressed to the family of Marilyn Becker online at [ww](http://www.ww.com)

w.erashfuneralhomes.com

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

Previous Events

Visitation

AUG **16**. 10:00 AM - 11:00 AM (CT)

First Lutheran Church
1210 S. Stephenson Ave.
Iron Mountain, MI 49801

Memorial Service

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Tribute Wall

CJ

“ Please know that you will all be in my daily prayers through the weeks to come. God's peace. Love, Pastor Cori Johnson

Cori Johnson - August 16, 2014 at 01:32 PM

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“ Marilyn.....there was always a special place for her in my heart.....from the summer she stayed w/us long ago when we were children, thru the many vacation times we shared at the Buenting farm, and into adulthood; altho time & space have separated us, that special place remains. There was something so charismatic about her...to me she will always be that much loved cousin. My deepest sympathy to her family & loved ones. God bless you all!
Kathleen (Buenting) Warmbier.

Kathleen Warmbier - August 15, 2014 at 10:18 AM

“ My Aunt Marilyn was truly one of a kind. If there is such a thing, Aunt Marilyn was truly the "fun relative." When we were children she would come to visit, along with her son Peter Sam, and the fun began. From running around the house in our swimming suits (Auntie wearing her famous white bikini) to banging on pots and pans in a neighborhood parade, Aunt Marilyn kept us laughing the whole time.

As we grew older I came to know her as a kind, opinionated woman, which I respected.

She told it like it was. There was no hiding behind false images of who others might have wanted her to be. With Aunt Marilyn "what you sAW is what you got." I got a loving Christian woman, who I didn't always agree with, but who respected my right to disagree with her. I loved her deeply and will true miss the joy she brought into a room and her beautiful smile that let you know all was well. I also remember one event that took place one of the last times I saw her. The two of us had disagreed about something. We weren't mad, but there was definitely a little tension. She was sitting in her car, in front of my parents house, about to go to the store. I came up to her window and said "Aunt Marilyn I love you just the way you are, don't ever change." She looked a bit surprised and asked did I really mean that. I told her I did, and that she was a very special person in my life and that I would always love her.

After that, we saw each other only a few times, since my family lives in Arizona but when we did, there was always a smile, a hug and a kiss for her "Stevie," as she used to like to call me.

Yes, she was one of a kind, and I am grateful for the love and memories that she leaves behind. I look forward to the day when I see her in Heaven and we can share eternal joy together. Until then, I am sure she will be telling stories about me, hopefully most are true, to my dad, grandparents and all the saints who now surround her.

I WILL TRULY MISS YOU AUNT MARILYN. THANK YOU FOR SHARING YOUR LIFE AND YOUR LOVE WITH ME!!! REST NOW ETERNALLY IN THE ARMS OF THE LORD JESUS CHRIST.

*FINALLY TO MY COUSIN PETE, AND TO THE REST OF
MARILYN'S FAMILY, I HURT DEEPLY FOR YOU AND EXTEND MY
SYMPATHIES AS YOU GO ON WITHOUT THIS AWESOME
WOMAN. GOD BLESS YOU ALL, AND KEEP YOU IN HIS
CONSTANT CARE....REMEMBER, WE WILL SEE HER AGAIN!!!!
THEN THE PHRASE "GOOD-BY" WILL BE ERASED ETERNALLY
AND THE FAMILY REUNION OF ALL TIME WILL BEGIN!!! A
REUNION ALREADY PAID FOR IN FULL BY THE BLOOD OF
OUR LORD AND SAVIOR JESUS CHRIST...
WITH ALL MY LOVE,
NEPHEW & PASTOR
STEVEN RUECHEL (STEVIE)*

PASTOR STEVEN RUECHEL - August 14, 2014 at 09:30 PM