



Marjorie M. Frei

August 10, 1928 - February 22, 2015

Marjorie M. Frei, 86, of Breitung Township, passed away on Sunday, February 22, 2015 at Hyland Nursing Home in Iron Mountain. In the last days of her life God blessed each of her family members with tender moments by her side.

Marge was born August 10, 1928 in Ironwood, MI, daughter of the late Sam and Helen (Sutut) Michaels. She was a 1946 graduate of Luther L. Wright High School in Ironwood. Marge married Dale Frei on June 28, 1958. They shared 57 years of devoted marriage together. Dale was a pillar of strength to his family as he modeled his steadfast commitment to marriage and his vow to love through sickness and in health. While raising five daughters, Marge was very involved with the school system, the Bluebirds, and was also a tennis coach. She was a wonderful mother and grandmother. Family was always her top priority. She was the family cheerleader in every endeavor throughout her family's life. Even in her last difficult years when her memory was gone, her daughters still instinctively wanted to call her whenever something exciting happened in their life. Marge was an active member of St. Mary's Orthodox Church in Iron Mountain where she served in many capacities. She enjoyed gardening and was an excellent cook. She had an incredible gift of entertaining and hospitality. She loved her dogs. Most of all, Marge loved spending time with family and friends, especially her grandchildren who knew her as Siti. She has left so many wonderful memories of the time and love she invested in all of her family.

She is survived by her husband of 57 years, Dale; five daughters, Debbie (Scott) Lindholm of Lake Orion, MI, Tammy (Bill) VanVreede of Traverse City, MI, Tina (Terry) Rice of Breitung Township, Becky (Mike) Messer of Marinette, WI and Patti (Joe) Bronzyk of Breitung Township; a brother, Richard (Julie) Michaels; grandchildren, Nicole (Brook) Mead, Jamie (Mark) Miner, Jessica (Dave) Marsh, Michael (Jahaila) VanVreede, Tony VanVreede (fiance Tiffany), Billy (Briana) VanVreede, Katelyn VanVreede, Dexter (Melissa) Ali, Bob Rice, Jim Rice, Kyle Messer (fiance Casey), Maria Messer, Thomas Whaley, Paige Whaley, Alexa (Sidi) Tangara and Dane Bronzyk; great grandchildren, Nicholas, Ethan, Brendan and Zoe VanVreede and Zarina Ali; and several nieces and nephews.

Marge was preceded in death by a grandson, Ryan Rice; three sisters, Rose Karna, Teena Nelson and Ameena Rados; and three brothers, Mike, George, and Tony Michaels.

Visitation will be on Thursday, March 12 from 4:00 to 7:00 pm at the Erickson-Rochon & Nash Funeral Home in Iron Mountain. Funeral services will be held on Friday, March 13 at 11:00 am at St. Mary Queen of Peace Church in Kingsford with a lunch to follow. Bishop Anthony Michaels and Fr. Mark Hagan will officiate. Burial will be in the Quinnesec Cemetery.

In lieu of flowers, memorials may be made to the Alzheimer's Association or St. Mary's Orthodox Church.

The family would like to express their heartfelt gratitude to the staff at Hyland Nursing Home for the excellent care they provided.

Condolences may be expressed to the family of Marge Frei online at www.emashfuneralhomes.com

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

Cemetery Details

Quinnesec Cemetery

Menominee Street
Quinnesec, MI 49876

Previous Events

Visitation

MAR 12. 4:00 PM - 7:00 PM (CT)

Erickson-Rochon and Nash Funeral Home
901 Carpenter Avenue
Iron Mountain, MI 49801
(906) 774-7676
nashfuneralhome@gmail.com
<https://www.ernashfuneralhomes.com/>

Funeral Service

MAR 13. 11:00 AM (CT)

St. Mary Queen of Peace Catholic Church
432 Edsel
Kingsford, MI 49802

Tribute Wall



“ Erickson-Rochon-Nash Funeral Home created a Tribute Video in memory of Marjorie M. Frei



Erickson-Rochon-Nash Funeral Home - April 28, 2015 at 11:17 AM



“ Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum was purchased for the family of Marjorie M. Frei.



March 11, 2015 at 11:31 AM



“ Enchanted Cottage was purchased for the family of Marjorie M. Frei.



March 10, 2015 at 08:17 PM



“ 211 files added to the album *Life Tributes*



Erickson-Rochon-Nash Funeral Home - March 10, 2015 at 11:33 AM

JR

“ *Dale and Family,*

I am so sorry for your loss. Marge was like a second Mother to me for so very many years and she celebrated life to the fullest, for as long as she could.

I will always be thankful for the times spent joining in & enjoying her celebration of life. From hot summer days spent in Frei's back yard pool, to cold winter days snowmobiling to Frei's Camp (where we were welcomed by Marge with a warm fire, great food and delicious hot chocolate), to birthdays, weddings, the birth of grandchildren, more birthdays - Marge truly celebrated life and she spread her arms out wide welcoming all of us to join in her celebration.

During this time when your hearts are heavy, a truly comforting and heartwarming thought is that Ryan is once again with his Siti - and his Grandma Rice.

Please take care -

My love to all of you.

Julie

Julie Rice - March 06, 2015 at 06:12 PM

SS

“ I was privileged to have the honor of being in Marge and Dales' home on trips to Iron Mountain with their daughter Tammy. Now I understand why her daughters ALL follow in her footsteps with hospitality and love to their friends and families!! She will be greatly missed by her loving family. I can only imagine the homecoming they will experience when they see Marge again in Heaven. I am sure there will be a party and welcoming arms of their sweet mother. She is in your care now, Jesus, until we see her again.

Sincerely in Christ,

Susan Smith

Susan Smith - March 06, 2015 at 02:11 PM

HK

*Dearest Dale and family,
May she rest in peace.... May your heart be comforted at this difficult time of grieving . Marge was a very special woman in my life. At a time when I lived in Iron Mountain, she was a friend and a sister to me when I was hundreds of miles away from mine. She always did and always will hold that special place.*

On behalf of myself, Carrie, Timothy, and Nicole I would like to express the deepest sympathy to all of you.

We love you

Hana' Kassab and family



Hana' Kassab - March 09, 2015 at 08:20 AM

RN

So many wonderful memories of our times together with the Frei Family. Marge will be deeply missed. Tears in my eyes right now as I look through the pictures and remember the past. On behalf of the Norr family our deepest sympathy to you Dale and Tina, Tammy, Debbie, Becky & Patty and your families.. - Rob

Rob Norr - March 12, 2015 at 10:22 AM