



## Marjorie M. Schmutzler

October 3, 1924 - November 20, 2020

Marjorie “Marge” M. Schmutzler, 96, of Kingsford, passed away Friday, November 20, 2020, at Evergreen Assisted Living in Kingsford.

Marjorie was born October 3, 1924 in Iron Mountain to the late Paul and Ruth (Whitenack) Sitka. She graduated from Channing High School in 1942 and went on to earn her B.S. degree in education from Illinois College where she met her future husband, Dr. Walter Schmutzler, during her freshman year. They were married and resided in the Iron Mountain area where Dr. Schmutzler practiced family medicine, and Marjorie stayed home and raised their two children. Dr. Schmutzler preceded her in death in 1977.

Marjorie was a member of the IM-K Women’s Club, the Community Chorus, the Chippewa Club, DCH Hospital League and the First Presbyterian Church Choir. In her free time she enjoyed quilting, cross-stitching, playing the piano, and gardening, especially her dahlias and gladiolas. She was also an avid Green Bay Packer fan, a stockholder and season ticket holder since 1958. She attended the Ice Bowl game and continued attending home Packer games well into her 80’s.

Marjorie is survived by her children, Diane (Dr. Jeffery) Cleven of Portland, OR, and David (Christine) Schmutzler of Breitung Township, MI; grandchildren, Chad (Sean) Cleven of Tulalia, WA, Ryan Cleven of Portland,

OR, Andy (Danielle) Schmutzler of Green Bay, WI, Jodi (Brian) Olson of Soebiski, WI, Matt (Tara) Tauriainen of Green Bay, WI, Brad (Nikki) Schmutzler of Iron Mountain, MI, and Kevin (Carissa) Schmutzler of Manistee, MI; great-grandchildren, Aiden Cleven, Chase, Lauren, and Grace Olson, Mya and Alaina Tauriainen, Jonathon and Kaitlyn Schmutzler, and Logan (Chloe), Caden, Madelyn, and Lillian Schmutzler; one brother, Robert (Bev) Sitka of Green Bay, WI; nieces and nephews, Pat, Jackie, Rick, Michelle, Debbie, Carri, Randy, Sharon, and Larry; nephews, Kerry and Kent Chapman; and special friends Bill and Jan Cummings, Frank & Frankie Dalpra, and the United Presbyterian Church choir members.

Along with her husband, Dr. Walter Schmutzler, Marjorie was preceded in death by her siblings, Lois (Sam) Kirchenwitz and Dorothy "Dottie" (Don) Neerdaels; sister-in-law, Verlaine (Doug) Chapman of St. Louis, MO; and special friends, June Waisinen, Dorothy Edens, and Willard & Jeanette Miller.

The family would like to extend a special thank you to the MCU staff at Evergreen Assisted Living, Evergreen staff members Jane and Dave Anderson, along with Dr. Donald Jacobs, MD, who provided Marjorie with 43 years of special care.

Visitation will be 10:00 am - 11:00 am on Wednesday, June 30, 2021, at First Presbyterian Church in Kingsford. Funeral Services will follow at 11:00 am at the church. Rev. Michael March will officiate. Burial was in Quinnesec Cemetery.

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

JUN 30. 10:00 AM - 11:00 AM (CT)

First Presbyterian Church  
395 Hamilton Avenue  
Kingsford, MI 49802

## Funeral Service

JUN 30. 11:00 AM (CT)

First Presbyterian Church  
395 Hamilton Avenue  
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# Tribute Wall

ME

“ *David you and your family are on my heart and in my prayers. Your Mom was so kind and caring in her relationship with my Mom and my family. They are together again.*

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**Mark Edens** - November 30, 2020 at 03:12 PM

DL

“ *Hi Diane & Dave,  
I'm very sorry to hear of your mom passing. She was always great to us and was a terrific person.  
Take care,  
Dave Ladwig*

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**Dave Ladwig** - November 30, 2020 at 03:05 PM

WR

“ *Dave*

*Ellen and I would like to express our sympathy to you and your family for your loss.*

*May God bless and comfort during this time.*

**BILL & ELLEN ROBERTS**

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**William R Roberts** - November 27, 2020 at 05:22 PM

JC

“ Marge had the most beautiful garden in Kingsford Heights. Living across the street from Marge I was very fortunate to see that garden out my front door for close to 20 years prior to her moving. I can still picture her out there with her wide-brimmed hat tending her flowers and veggies, and on occasion sketching her gorgeous and beloved gladiolas. One afternoon I was in my yard planting some peonies and Marge came over to make sure they went in the ground the right way -- and I'll continue to think of her every spring as they continue to bloom.

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**Joy Carlson** - November 24, 2020 at 08:52 PM

WC

“ Dear Dianne, Dave and Family,

We were blessed to get to know Marge better over the last years of her life by facilitating her attendance in church and choir practice, as well as helping out a bit with things she needed in her apartment. She was an integral part of our life during those years, even though I had known her from childhood.

She contributed much to the church and community through her participation in various activities.

We have missed being able to see her during this last year, but kept her in our thoughts and prayers.

Know that you will also be in our thoughts and prayers as you adjust to Marge's passing. Remember that she is in a much better place and resting in the arms of her Lord, free from the discomforts she endured over these last years.

*Bill and Jan Cummings*

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**William J. Cummings** - November 24, 2020 at 04:36 PM



“ *Marge and my Mom both became widows at a young age. They became great friends and enjoyed Friday night dinners together at the Chippewa Club and, of course, they were both die hard Packer fans. They were good for each other and I know they each made the other's life better. RIP Marge - you made our world a better place.*

*Larry Waisanen*

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**Larry Waisanen** - November 23, 2020 at 06:08 PM