



## Mary Bates

April 9, 1914 - April 9, 2012

Mary F. Bates, 98, formerly of 524 Harding St., Kingsford, passed away peacefully at her granddaughter's home in Kingsford.

Mary was born on Jan. 29, 1914, in Carson Lake, Minn. and was the daughter of the late Steve and Anna (Verbanic) Frankovich.

She married William H. Bates on May 9, 1936, in Iron Mountain.

While living in Iron Mountain, Mary worked several waitressing jobs including Cavies Night Club and Summit Dairy. In 1952 they followed Ford and moved to North Kansas City, Mo.

They spent the next 25 years in Kansas City where Mary worked as a bookkeeper for the National Bank of North Kansas City.

They returned to Kingsford in 1978 and have been residents here since.

Mary was a member of St. Mary Queen of Peace Church in Kingsford Heights.

She enjoyed playing bingo and corresponding with friends.

She loved spending time with her family, especially her grandchildren and great grandchildren and will be dearly missed by all who knew her.

Mary is survived by her daughter, Mary Lou (Richard) Neuens of Iron Mountain; grandchildren, Debra (Tim) Querio, Denise (James) Fisher and Douglas (Tammy) McDaniel; great-grandchildren, James and Tyler Allen, Audrey Fisher, Brittany and Amanda McDaniel, Josh and Jarred Querio; five great great-grandchildren and many nieces and nephews.

Mary was preceded in death by her husband, William in 1996, her sisters, Ann Nordberg, Stephanie d'Arras, Carolyn Brosio and Rose DeLano, her brothers, Charles Frankovich and Steve Martin.

Visitation will be held on Tuesday from 9 a.m. to 11 a.m. at Erickson-Rochon and Nash Funeral Home of Iron Mountain.

The funeral service will follow at 11:30 a.m. at St. Mary Queen of Peace Church. Fr. Michael Woempner will offer the Mass of the Christian Burial.

Burial will be in Cemetery Park.

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

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

# Previous Events

## Visitation

APR 17. 9:00 AM - 11:00 AM (CT)

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

## Mass of Christian Burial

APR 17. 11:30 AM (CT)

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