



Mary Caviani

September 9, 1916 - September 9, 2010

Mary Caviani, 94, passed away on Thursday, Sept. 9, 2010, at Superior Woods Nursing Home in Ypsilanti.

Mary was born July 4, 1916, in Iron Mountain to the late Nazzareno and Esther (Bartelli) Mancini. She was a lifelong resident of Iron Mountain and had moved to the Ann Arbor area eight years ago to be with her sons and their families.

She married her husband, Ernest "Pines" Caviani in 1939 in Iron Mountain, and he preceded her in death in 1974.

In her younger years, Mary worked as a hairdresser at her sister Ceil's Vanity Beauty Shop. She loved to travel and read. Mary was an avid bridge player and enjoyed the friendships she made in her bridge clubs. She was so excited about cooking and baking as early as age five that her family had a miniature rolling pin made for her.

She cherished her sons, daughters-in-law, grandchildren, and great-grandchildren. She is especially remembered for always being there for family and friends in times of illness, distress, or need. Mary was a member of St. Mary and St. Joseph Church in Iron Mountain. She was one of the first volunteers at Dickinson County Memorial Hospital and also volunteered for

many years at the Iron Mountain VA Medical Center.

Survivors include two sons, Ernest Caviani Jr. and Jerry (Cindy) Caviani of Ann Arbor; grandchildren, Darren Caviani, Sara Schmidt, Gary Kelner, and Tom Kelner. She also leaves many loving nieces and nephews.

She was preceded in death by her parents; her husband; two brothers, Rudy and James Mancini; four sisters, Elvira Angeli, Carmella Mancini, Ceil Tavanotti, and Augusta Thate; and a daughter-in-law, Evelyn Caviani.

Visitation will be Monday from 9:30 a.m. to 11 a.m. at the Tondin-Ross & Freeman Funeral Home.

Funeral services will follow Monday at 11 a.m. at the funeral home. Fr. Daniel Zaloga will officiate.

A luncheon will be held at Pine Grove Country Club after the service.

Burial will be in Iron Mountain Cemetery Park.

The family has entrusted the Tondin-Ross & Freeman Funeral home with the arrangements.

Condolences may be expressed to the family of Mary Caviani online at www.e-rnashfuneralhomes.com

Previous Events

Visitation

SEP 13. 9:30 AM - 11:00 AM (CT)

Tondin-Ross and Freeman Funeral Home
1117 Carpenter Ave.
Iron Mountain, MI 49801

Funeral Service

SEP 13. 11:00 AM (CT)

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Tribute Wall

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“ *I always enjoyed visiting with your mom and her wonderful stories and adventures of all her travels. You have my deepest sympathy. May your hearts be lightened as you recall all your precious memories. I know she is with God who she loved and served in so many ways. Hopefully she is enjoying a bridge game with my mom and listening to the beautiful music I use to hear as I walked down the alley. It has a heavenly tone to it now.*

Monica Miller-Mortel - Escanaba, MI - September 15, 2010 at 12:00 AM