



Mary Jane "Tootsie" Markham

December 29, 1927 - February 17, 2017

Mary Jane "Tootsie" Markham

89, of Howard, WI, formerly of Iron Mountain, passed away on Friday, February 17, 2017 at the Unity Hospice Ming Residence in DePere, WI.

Mary Jane was born on December 29, 1927 in Crystal Falls, daughter of the late Edwin and Signe (Anderson) Johnson. She was raised in Crystal Falls and was a graduate of Crystal Falls High School. Mary Jane married Orpheo Battistella and resided in Crystal Falls until 1977.

On January 21, 1980 she married Walter Markham and the couple resided in Iron Mountain until moving to the New Perspective Senior Living Community in Howard, WI. in 2016.

Mary Jane and Walter were married for 37 years before his death in 2017. She cherished all of her grandchildren. Mary Jane also enjoyed gardening and loved going to craft shows and the casino.

In addition to her parents and husband, she was preceded in death by her grandson, Chad Stroud; three sisters, Joyce Stoychoff, Margie Kuykendall and Belva McCraw and two brothers, Robert Johnson and Jerry Johnson.

She is survived by two daughters, Jean (Ray) Meyers of Crystal Falls and Beverly (Jack) Olson of Iron Mountain; four grandchildren, Nick (Michelle) Stroud, Scott Stroud, Josh (Danielle) Olson and Tracy (Jason Bischoff) Olson; two great grandchildren; a sister, Marlene (Lawrence "Red") Jeffers of Iron

River and a brother, Calvin "Logger" (Betty) Johnson of Crystal Falls. Mary Jane is further survived by four step daughters, Janet Augustine of West Bend, WI, Mary (Charles Hagen) Young of Green Bay, WI, Dorothy (Gary) Temple of DePere, WI, and Sandra (Toby Vandenack) Markham of Green Bay.; Six step grandchildren, Lynn Woo, Sarah Young, Katie Young, Laurie Young, David Temple and Catherine Smith; six step great grandchildren. She is also survived by a longtime friend, Bill Young and numerous nieces and nephews.

Private family services were held.

Burial will be in the Evergreen Memorial Cemetery in Crystal Falls.

Condolences to the family of Mary Jane Markham may be expressed online at www.ernashfuneralhomes.com

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

Cemetery Details

Evergreen Memorial Cemetery

Crystal Falls
MI 49920

Tribute Wall

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“ I am so sorry to hear of the death of Tootsie and Wally. When I moved to Crystal Falls to be with Bobby Tootsie was very kind to me and made us many lunches. I will never forget her menistroni soup she made us. I talked with her when she was in the living center and then could never get ahold of her after that. I was so sorry after reading the reporter to hear of her death. Betty Lou McArthur.



Betty Lou McArthur - March 06, 2017 at 12:41 PM

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“ Bev,
Bill and I would like to express our sympathies for the loss of your mother.
It was my pleasure getting to know her and Wally over the past couple of years.
She was always so welcoming when we dropped in to visit them!
Such a nice lady.
Please know we are thinking of you.
Bill and Samantha Neuens

Samantha & Bill Neuens - February 23, 2017 at 02:13 PM