



Melba Johnson

October 6, 1918 - October 6, 2004

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KINGSFORD - Melba C. Johnson, 86, of 1820 Mary's Way, Kingsford, died unexpectedly Wednesday, Oct. 6, 2004, at her home.

Melba was born March 14, 1918, in Mountain, Wis., daughter of the late Christ and Dora (Jensen) Peterson.

She married Frederick Johnson on Dec. 12, 1942, in Ann Arbor, lower Michigan and he preceded her in death on Jan. 25, 1990. She was a resident of Ann Arbor and Ypsilanti, lower Michigan for more than 50 years, returning to this area nine years ago.

Melba worked for the University of Michigan-Women's League in food service for 25 years.

She was preceded in death by seven brothers and four sisters. She was proud of her brother, Harvey, who was killed in action and buried in France during World War II.

She is survived by two sisters, Alvina Spencer of Iron Mountain and Phyllis Jonesen of Bremerton, Wash.; many nieces and nephews including Carol (George) Atanasoff, Joyce (Howard) Woods, Gail (Richard) Dabb, Nancy Belaire, Robert Spencer, and Douglas (Dorothy) Spencer; a grandniece, Kristine (Bob) Saxon; and a grandnephew and caregiver, Steve (Patti) Atanasoff.

Melba was a gentle soul, unassuming and cheerful to the end. She will be missed by friends, family and the staff at Evergreen Heights.

A memorial service will be held at a later date.

Condolences may be expressed to the family of Melba C. Johnson online at www.ernashfuneralhomes.com.

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