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IRON MOUNTAIN - Myrtle Helene Gall, 92, of 600 East E St., Iron Mountain, died Monday, Jan. 20, 2003, at Dickinson County Memorial Hospital in Iron Mountain.

She was born May 26, 1910, in Iron Mountain, daughter of the late Albin and Sophia (Jensen) Nelson. Myrtle graduated from Iron Mountain High School in 1928, and earned a pin in typing. She wrote her first poem entitled, "Superior Lake," at age 17. Myrtle had a poem entitled, "The Trunk," published in a local book, "Tales of Yesteryear." The book is on display at the Menominee Range Historical Museum in Iron Mountain. "The Trunk," a story of her father's immigration, was recommended for publication in several magazines, including Michigan History and Reader's Digest. The recommendation was made by Dr. Robert Gard, professor of composition and rhetoric at the University of Wisconsin-Madison.

Myrtle also enjoyed writing plays as a hobby. She attended writer's workshops in Michigan and Wisconsin through scholarships she received. Her first appearance on stage was in Mary Chase's three act comedy, "Harvey" in Kingsford. She continued her interest in creative and historical writing until 1991.

In addition to writing, Myrtle enjoyed flowers, deer, traveling, reading the Bible and watching the 700 Club. Myrtle loved her husband, children, grandchildren, great-grandchildren and other relatives. She also loved her church family,

friends and neighbors. Her family will remember her as a very strong person with high values.

Myrtle is survived by one daughter, Faye Kutzleb of Oshkosh, Wis.; a son, Robert Gall of Oconto, Wis.; four grandchildren; six great-grandchildren; a sister-in-law, Betty Nelson (daughter Cris); and several nieces and nephews, including a special niece Patricia Mazzello (Patricka).

She was also preceded in death by her husband, Fredrick Gall; two brothers, George and Edgar Nelson; and two sisters, Alice and Lucille.

Visitation will be held from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. Thursday at the Erickson-Rochon & Nash Funeral Home in Iron Mountain. Services celebrating Myrtle's life will be held Thursday at 1 p.m. at the funeral home. Rev. David Wilton will officiate. Burial will be in Cemetery Park in Iron Mountain.

Myrtle's family appreciates the care and concern given by the Florence Villa Nursing Home and Dickinson County Memorial Hospital staffs. They would also like to extend a special thank you to John and Laurie Steele, Don and Sharon Khoury, William DeGroot, Shawn and April Kutzleb and Mark and Lisa Balicki and family.

Condolences may be expressed to the Gall family online at www.ernashfuneralhomes.com

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