



Noleen B. LaVarnway

October 12, 1934 - May 1, 2025

Noleen B. LaVarnway, 90, of Kingsford, passed away on Thursday, May 1, 2025, at Evergreen Meadows in Norway.

Noleen was born Oct. 12, 1934, in Iron Mountain, daughter of the late Virgil and Nora (Criel) Bratton. After graduating from Kingsford High School in 1952, she married Roy LaVarnway on June 14th of that same year at American Martyrs Catholic Church; he preceded her in death on Dec. 25, 2010. Noleen worked in food service for the Breitung Township School District for 15 years before retiring in 1994. She was also a volunteer at St. Vincent de Paul for many years. An avid reader, Noleen enjoyed knitting, doing crossword puzzles, entertaining her grandkids, and hosting her family and special group of friends.

Noleen is survived by her son, Michael (Heather) LaVarnway of Kingsford; a daughter, Laurie Johnson (Joe Schomer) of Iron Mountain; a daughter-in-law, Jodi LaVarnway (Jeff Campbell) of Iron Mountain; six grandchildren, Ashlee Johnson, Jamie (Jon) Ellis, and Justin (Hailee), Ethan, Nolan and Allison LaVarnway; 4 great-grandchildren, Collin Punzel, Cale Punzel, Maya Meno and Charlee Punzel; 2 sisters-in-law, Irene Bratton and Sandra Bratton; and special cousins, nieces and nephews.

Along with her parents and husband, Roy, she was preceded in death by a

son, David LaVarnway; a son-in-law, Tom Johnson; two brothers, Sherman Bratton and Virgil Bratton; and a granddaughter, Brooke Johnson.

Visitation will be from 9:00 am to 11:00 am on Wednesday, May 7 at the Erickson-Rochon & Nash Funeral Home in Iron Mountain. The funeral mass will follow at 11:30 am at American Martyrs Catholic Church in Kingsford. Msgr. Joseph Gouin will offer the Mass of Christian Burial. Interment will be in Dickinson County Memorial Gardens.

Condolences to the family of Noleen B. LaVarnway can be expressed online at www.ernashfuneralhomes.com.

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

Cemetery Details

Dickinson County Memorial Gardens

Hwy U.S. 2
Iron Mountain, MI

Previous Events

Visitation

MAY 7. 9:00 AM - 11:00 AM (CT)

Erickson-Rochon and Nash Funeral Home
901 Carpenter Avenue
Iron Mountain, MI 49801
(906) 774-7676
nashfuneralhome@gmail.com
<https://www.ernashfuneralhomes.com/>

Mass of Christian Burial

MAY 7. 11:30 AM (CT)

American Martyrs Church
908 W Sagola Ave
Kingsford, MI 49802-5336
(906) 774-0630

Tribute Wall

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“*Nolene was such a sincere, joyful person. She had a way of making everyone feel welcome and loved. It's hard to remember her face without a smile. You left her feeling better than before you saw her. Our thoughts and prayers are with you during this time.*

Brian, Patti, and Maria Sparapani - June 29, 2025 at 04:28 PM

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“*When I think of Noleen, I hear her laughter. I am blessed she was in my life. May all your wonderful memories comfort you during this heartbreaking time. With love and prayers, your cousin Judy.*

Judy Gormand - May 06, 2025 at 08:17 PM