



## Phyllis M. Cootware

November 15, 1922 - June 1, 2014

Phyllis M. Cootware, 91, formerly of Norway, passed away Sunday, June 1, 2014, at the Iron County Medical Care Facility in Crystal Falls. She was born Nov. 15, 1922, at Sagola, the daughter of Alfred and Anna (Beach) Cootware.

Phyllis graduated from Channing High School in 1941 and married Roland Almquist in May, 1942. They lived for a few years in Norway before Roland purchased land in the Waucedah area and built the house they moved into about 1947.

She later moved to Menominee and worked at Badger Piston Mfg in Marinette. She also worked for Merle Norman in Green Bay and left that job to start what became her career as a telephone operator. When the operator's office in Green Bay closed, she transferred to El Paso, TX and from there to Waukegan, IL where she retired at 68 after 22 years of service. As well as being an excellent cook, baker and canner, she was an exceptional seamstress and could make or alter just about anything constructed of fabric. She enjoyed music, traveling, spending time with friends and family and especially her cats, which were dear to her. She had a generous heart and often reached out to help others.

Phyllis is survived by two daughters; Sharon Kangas of Aurora, Wis. and Shirlye Bachhuber of Fond du Lac, Wis.; one

grandson, Mark Bachhuber, Jr. of Green Bay, Wis., and many nieces and nephews.

She was preceded in death by four brothers and two sisters.

The family will greet visitors at 1:00 p.m. on Tuesday, July 22 at the Kingsford Funeral Home; a memorial service will immediately follow at 2:00 p.m.. Rev. Carl Hammer will officiate. Burial will be in the Quinnesec Cemetery.

Condolences to the family of Phyllis Cootware may be expressed online at [www.ernashfuneralhomes.com](http://www.ernashfuneralhomes.com)

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

# Cemetery Details

## Quinnesec Cemetery

Menominee Street  
Quinnesec, MI 49876

# Previous Events

## Visitation

JUL 22. 1:00 PM - 2:00 PM (CT)

Kingsford Funeral Home  
1000 S. Carpenter  
Kingsford, MI 49802

## Memorial Service

JUL 22. 2:00 PM (CT)

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