



Phyllis Parent

January 11, 1928 - January 11, 2012

Phyllis M. Parent, 84, of Green Bay, formerly of Iron Mountain, passed away on Wednesday, January 11, 2012 at St. Mary's Hospital in Green Bay, WI.

She was born and raised in Iron Mountain, to the late David and Edwidge (Goyer) Cocking on February 18th, 1927. She graduated from Iron Mountain High School in 1945. On October 8th, 1947, she married Aarold Parent; he preceded her in death on March 31, 1990. She worked 20 years as a bookkeeper at Red Owl. After retirement she volunteered at the St Vincent De Paul, St Mary's and Joseph Church and the Knights of Columbus of Iron Mountain. In 2007 she moved to Green Bay, WI to be closer to her family. She became a member of Annunciation Parish. She loved spending time with her grandchildren and her great granddaughter, her pride and joy; Olivia Mae. She was content to know that her three "dollies" were living a healthy and happy life.

Survived by daughters, Mary Ellen (Gary) Allen of Manitowoc, WI; Nance Parent and partner Sabrina Jewett of Yellow Springs, OH; Patti-Trish (Steven) Schmidt of Green Bay, WI. Grandchildren Melissa Konkle, Megan Allen, Patrick and Elizabeth Schmidt and great-granddaughter, Olivia Konkle. Two brothers and her only sister; Robert Cocking of Iron Mountain; Donald (Fran) Cocking of Green Bay, WI; Myrna (John) Hassi of Mukwonago, WI and many nieces and nephews.

She was preceded in death by her husband, infant son; Aarold Joseph, parents; two brothers and a niece.

Visitation will be held on Saturday from 10:30am to 12:30pm at Tondin-Ross & Freeman Funeral Home. Funeral services will be at 1:00pm on Saturday at St. Mary and St. Joseph Catholic Church in Iron Mountain. Fr. Daniel Zaloga will offer the Mass of Christian Burial.

Burial will be in Iron Mountain Cemetery Park.

The family would like to extend a special thank you to the doctors and staff at St. Mary's Hospital of Green Bay.

In lieu of flowers a memorial will be established in her name.

Condolences may be expressed to the family of Phyllis Parent online at www.ernashfuneralhomes.com.

The family has entrusted the Tondin-Ross & Freeman Funeral Home of Iron Mountain with the funeral arrangements.

Previous Events

Visitation

JAN 14. 10:30 AM - 12:30 PM (CT)

Tondin-Ross and Freeman Funeral Home
1117 Carpenter Ave.
Iron Mountain, MI 49801

Mass of Christian Burial

JAN 14. 1:00 PM (CT)

St. Mary & St. Joseph Catholic Church
414 Prospect Ave.
Iron Mountain, MI 49801

Tribute Wall

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“ Now that the fog has lifted and the elephant is beginning to move off my chest I can say a few words about my mother. She spent tireless hours donating her time and energy to her community. She was sturdy stock, and rarely showed fear. I liked that in her as she was my tower of strength. But in her strength she was very sweet and gentle. A true old-fashioned soul with proper manners and etiquette. She had the characteristics you would hope to find in a good mother. I like that in her because we were opposites. In my loud fashion she was still, in my loquacious way she was quiet. I know we shared the best of each other and that is what made us work. A good mother is worth more than gold. I was fortunate enough to have just that in her. She deserves this honor.

nance parent - Yellow Springs, OH - daughter - February 08, 2012 at 12:00 AM

PM

“ Mar, Nance, and Patti,

I am so sorry to hear of the passing of your beautiful mother. Both of your parents were such wonderful people and have left me with such loving, happy memories of my childhood. It is amazing how many memories rush back just looking at your house, and especially the back yard, whenever we visit my parents. They can change the color, but they cannot change the kids playing in the back yard.

You have my deepest sympathies, my love, and my prayers.

Peggy

Peggy (Pollard) Miller - January 18, 2012 at 12:00 AM

SE

“ To Mary Ellen and sisters,

Our thoughts and prayers are with you and your family as you say your final good-byes to your mom. By the way Mary Ellen talks about her, I know she was a fantastic mother and person. Now she can be with your daddy and dance with him.

*God Bless,
Sarah Arenz & Family*

Sarah Arenz - Manitowoc, WI - Friend of Mary Ellen - January 14, 2012 at 12:00 AM

LN

“ *I was so sorry to hear about your mom passing! Her and your dad were both such a big part of my life growing up, and they were such wonderful people! She will be greatly missed! love to all*

Laurie (Hart) Estes - neighbor - January 13, 2012 at 12:00 AM

MF

“ *Dearest Mary Ellen, Nance, and Patti,
I want to send you our deepest sympathy for the passing of your mom. She was such a wonderful person and I know she will be terribly missed. Always had a beautiful smile on her face. Know that you are all in our thoughts and prayers. Take care and may God bless you all....?mary and bob*

Mary (Bray) Jayne - Iron Mountain, MI - old friend - January 13, 2012 at 12:00 AM