



Phyllis Ring

September 2, 1942 - June 12, 2013

Phyllis Ring of Iron Mountain and Bradenton, Florida, died on June 12, 2013 in Manatee, Florida.

She was born on September 2, 1942 in Sampson County, North Carolina, to the late Vander and Brilla Williams Smith. She is survived by her loving husband James Ring, daughters Sonya (Robert) Pugh of Iron Mountain, and Meloney (E.J.) Kubick of Nashotah, Wisconsin, Grandchildren Megan Phillips (Len Wahlstrom), Jordan Pugh (Stefanie Thomson), Landon Pugh, Irina Pugh and Evan Pugh, Great Grandchildren Haley Gabriel and LaVaya Wahlstrom, Special "Granddogs" Ollie and Bella, Sisters Betty Lou Holland of Salemburg, NC, Annette Tew of Rocky Mount, NC, Joyce Jackson of Clinton, NC, brother Charles Smith of Oak Island, NC, and sister-in-law Betsy Stone of Witchita, KS.

She was preceded in death by her parents Vander and Brilla Smith, sisters Claire Arnett and Christine Rocconi, and brothers V.B. Smith, Bronzie Smith, Harold Smith, Rudolph Smith, and Mac Smith.

Phyllis was the youngest of twelve children and grew up on a farm in Salemburg, NC. She attended Clement High School in Clement, NC and was a State champion basketball player. After graduating in 1960, she went to Beauty School, earning a degree in Cosmetology. The family made trips to

Iron Mountain to visit her sister, where Phyllis met and later married Jim, who lived across the street. She was a hard worker, building two homes with her husband, and enjoyed spending time in the sun maintaining a yard full of plants and flowers. When she was younger, she enjoyed league bowling, gardening, and traveling. Later in life she enjoyed playing cards, trips to the casino, her home in Florida, and her grandchildren and great grandchildren. She and Jim were married on Aug. 25, 1963 in Iron Mountain. They were truly devoted to each other and this year would mark their 50th anniversary. She will be remembered for her kindness, her love for her family, and the southern accent she never really lost.

Visitation will be Thurs. from 11am-1pm at Erickson-Rochon & Nash Funeral Home. Funeral services will be Thurs. at 1pm at the funeral home. Pastor Kevin Sullivan will officiate. Burial will be in Cemetery Park.

Condolences to the family of Phyllis Ring can be expressed online at www.ernashfuneralhomes.com.

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

Previous Events

Visitation

JUN 27. 11:00 AM - 1:00 PM (CT)

Erickson-Rochon and Nash Funeral Home
901 Carpenter Ave.
Iron Mountain, MI 49801

Funeral Service

JUN 27. 1:00 PM (CT)

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Tribute Wall

DM

“ *My condolences for the entire family. I will always remember Phyllis for her kindness, generosity and her loving heart.*

Derek Gabriel - MI - June 27, 2013 at 12:00 AM

DF

“ *Meloney & E.J.
Our heartfelt condolences for your loss. You and your family will be in our prayers and thoughts.
Debbie & Denny Bergeron*

Debbie & Denny Bergeron - Doylestown, OH - Friends - June 27, 2013 at 12:00 AM

EF

“ *Our sincere condolences to you and your family...*

Edward & Lucille Bartolameo - Mount Prospect, IL - High School freinds - June 25, 2013 at 12:00 AM

SF

“ Dear Jim, Sonya, Melanie and Family,
I am so terribly sorry to hear about Phyllis. She took care of me when I was little for many years and I have lots of fond memories of her from growing up. One of my favorites was going with Phyllis and Jim in their motorhome to the Riverside for pizza while my parents were painting my bedroom. For some reason, I have never forgot that! I also remember her talking about the time she caught my brothers pushing me down the hill in my stroller and then chasing after me (I think she hid that one from my parents for many years before telling them what they did). Although I haven't seen her for many years, I know she will be greatly missed by all who knew and loved her. My thoughts and prayers are with you during the days and weeks to come.
My Deepest Sympathy,
Stacy

Stacy (Hendrickson) Schinderle - Iron Mountain, MI - friend - June 24, 2013 at 12:00 AM

KF

“ Jim, Sonya, and Meloney. I am so sorry about your loss and may all the happy memories that you have help during this sad time. Your mom and all of you were a big part of my childhood and I am thankful for all the happy memories that I have. Take care and love to you all.

Karen Bolander-Murphy - Golden Valley, MN - Friend of family - June 24, 2013 at 12:00 AM

NL

“ My late husband (Jim Ring, nephew) and I shared many fond memories visiting both in Iron Mtn and Florida. My husband and Phyllis especially loved going to the casino. We had some really good laughs on those trips. Jim could never get over the good deal we got on our casino trip to the Soo. And we had an interesting trip in Fla going to the Hard Rock when J had a little problem with the "bathroom". Then when we were planning to go to Hawaii with them somehow the Florida people thought my Jim was Jim And Phllis' son! From then on he always called them "mom and dad" and she always referred to him as her "son". She will be greatly missed.

Nancy Ring - St Joseph, MI - Niece in law - June 24, 2013 at 12:00 AM

LW

“ Sonya:

My condolences.

Lisa Brouillette - Florence, WI - June 22, 2013 at 12:00 AM

JF

“ Jim,
Such a shock to hear about Phyllis. She has been in our thoughts since we left Florida in May. This past winter was the best ever for us with you and Phyllis. So many great memories and hearty laughs. Will always cherish our time together, especially those great lunch dates at Taco Bell.
Jim and Paulette

Jim and Paulette Leger - Rindge , NH - Friends - June 22, 2013 at 12:00 AM

RN

“ You have our condolences...

Roger & Karen Krebsbach - Iron Mt., MI - neighbors - June 21, 2013 at 12:00 AM

TC

“ *The best gifts we give and receive, in life and in death, are memories shared of loved ones as only we can share them. We will remember, always, the good times!* ”

Tony and Sally Danielson - Tucson, AZ - wife of 1st cousin - June 21, 2013 at 12:00 AM