



Rosalie A. Bluekamp

August 27, 1960 - September 18, 2018

The Lord came to take Rosalie A. Bluekamp, 58, of Iron Mountain home on Tuesday, September 18, 2018, surrounded by her family.

Rosalie was born August 27, 1960 in Iron River, the daughter of Donald and Rose Marie (Priante) Pedo. She was a 1978 graduate of Waukesha North High School in Waukesha, WI. While in high school, Rosalie worked for the Waukesha County Court System. With hard work and dedication she became the youngest Clerk of Courts in the system. Rosalie worked in this position until 1985 when she moved to Iron Mountain to be closer to her family. Rosalie had a deep desire to help people and in 1987 she took a position with the Women, Infants & Children Program (W.I.C.). There, because of her compassion for her clients, she built a large case load and was able to help hundreds of families. She married Douglas Bluekamp on June 10, 1995 at St. Mary & St. Joseph Catholic Church in Iron Mountain. Rosalie was a member of Immaculate Conception Catholic Church in Iron Mountain. Rosalie was a strong person. She endured a series of difficult procedures in an effort to have a child and in November of 1999 her prayers and efforts were rewarded with the birth of her son who she adored. She loved to cook and was very good at it. She often would invite young teachers over for a real Italian home-cooked meal. Rosalie had a special love for her dogs, but her real love was taking care of and spending time with her family.

Rosalie is survived by her husband, Doug; a son, Nate Bluekamp of Iron Mountain; her parents, Don and Rose Pedo of Iron Mountain; a sister, Teresa (John) Fortier of Iron Mountain; a brother, Louis Pedo of Big Bend, WI; her father and mother-in-law, Paul and Carol Bluekamp of Ishpeming; sisters-in-law and brothers-in-law, Paula (Bill) Hemmila of Negaunee, Sheila Smith of Hartland, MI, Rhonda (Mike) Bertucci of Ishpeming and Donald (Denise) Bluekamp of Negaunee; and several nieces, nephews and cousins.

She will be terribly missed by her family and friends and we look forward to the time when we will all be together again.

A Memorial Mass will be held at 10:00 am on Monday at the Immaculate Conception Catholic Church. Fr. Raymond Valerio will officiate. Burial will be in the Iron Mountain Cemetery Park

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

Condolences may be expressed to the family of Rosalie Bluekamp online at www.ernashfuneralhomes.com

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

Cemetery Details

Cemetery Park

Cedar Ave
Iron Mountain, MI 49801

Previous Events

Memorial Mass


SEP **24.** 10:00 AM (CT)

Immaculate Conception Catholic Church
500 Blaine St.
Iron Mountain, MI 49801

Tribute Wall



“ 3 files added to the album Family Photos

 "Rosalie" sung
by Brad Rake •
1974 • Recorded
live at our home



Lou Pedo - September 26, 2018 at 05:19 PM



“ *Fiery Lily and Rose* was purchased for the family
of *Rosalie A. Bluekamp*.



September 24, 2018 at 08:47 AM



“ *Jack And Nicole Cook* lit a candle in memory
of *Rosalie A. Bluekamp*



Jack and Nicole Cook - September 23, 2018 at 08:21 PM

RK

Doug,

I never had the pleasure of meeting Rosalie. I offer my sincere condolences. I hope that the pain of your loss is soon replaced by your fondest memories that you can carry forever.

Take care, my friend.

Ron Kulju

Ron Kulju - September 28, 2018 at 10:24 PM

TF

“ *The Nash Family lit a candle in memory of Rosalie A. Bluekamp*



The Nash Family - September 23, 2018 at 05:52 PM

KE

“ *To Don and the rest of your family my condolences. Rosalie was a great person that had a big smile and an even bigger heart. She took me in when I needed help. I will pray for you and your family.*

Kevin - September 23, 2018 at 05:35 PM

BC

“ Don, Rose, Lou, Theresa/John, Doug and families; We take comfort in knowing Ro has gone home to her creator, as our good lord suffered, unfortunately so must we to receive his heavenly treasures. However, even more joyous is the pain and suffering has come to an end for her here on this earth. We know Ro is in a place so beautiful and far beyond our ability to imagine here on earth. One of the greatest gifts we have in terms of healing is the presence of our brothers, sisters, nieces, nephews, children, grandchildren, friends to lean on to ease the coming days, months, years. Ro was a good friend to my late sister and our family. I remember an Eagles concert we all went to back in 1980!!! God bless you all in the coming months. No parent should have to lose a child, I cannot imagine your pain.

Bill & Amy Cullinane

Bill Cullinane - September 23, 2018 at 02:10 PM

LK

“ Rosalie had a great sense of humor and loved to laugh! She had a bit of a prankster in her and it was very fun. She was a great Italian cook and taught me how to make the best Alfredo sauce that I've ever eaten. She will be missed by so many people. I'm so very sorry, Doug and Nate. My thoughts are with you all, Liz Koller

Liz Koller - September 22, 2018 at 10:38 AM

LP

“ 50th Wedding Anniversary Video:
<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=V91e0KQoZqU>

Lou Pedo - September 21, 2018 at 05:55 PM

MA

“ To the entire family of Rosalie,
I am so sad for you all. Looking at all the amazing pictures you can see and feel the love in your family!! May all your wonderful memories be of comfort to you at this very sad time.

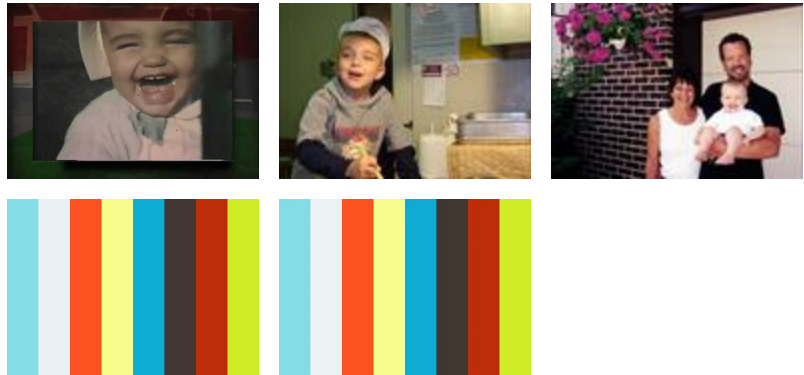
When Rosalie first moved to Iron Mountain and was just looking for work in the area I remember her working for a brief amount of time at the Radio station with me before going to work for WIC. She had a beautiful, bright smile that just lit up a room.

Our sympathies at this difficult time.
Sincerely,
Mary Oman and Duane Hongisto

MARY - September 21, 2018 at 12:44 PM

LP

“ 25 files added to the album Family Photos



Lou Pedo - September 21, 2018 at 06:09 AM

LP

Hope you enjoy all the memories and good times with Ro! :) God Bless!

Lou Pedo - September 21, 2018 at 06:58 AM

GD

“ She had the sweetest smile and was always happy 2 see u. She made my hard times at the health dept with WIC not only pleasant but for sure made me feel i was not alone or ever embaressed. I ran into her at the casino quite awhile ago and just her beautiful smile melted my heart. She will be missed and she was truly heaven sent. Rest in peace beautiful girl 🥺

Gina dettman - September 21, 2018 at 12:05 AM

SN

“ Don, Rose and Family,
I am so sorry for your loss, and what a great loss it is.
Your daughter was an amazing woman.
I had the privilege of knowing Rosalie back in 1991 when I participated in the WIC program. Her love for people and her desire to help them was very evident.
Please know I am thinking of you and praying for you during this sad time.
Love,
Samantha Neuens

Samantha Neuens - September 20, 2018 at 03:35 PM

LR

Auntie Rose and Uncle Don Theresa and Lou. I'm so sorry for your loss. I'm sure she is out of pain and in a beautiful place with our Savior in heaven. I'm praying for all of you to get yourself through the grieving process. I know it's tough but she has a big smile on her face now instead of the painful look before our Savior took her to be with him. Because of faith we can rest assured that Ro is in a place where she is at peace. She'll be waiting for us with open arms till we join her. God Bless the Pedro's and Doug and Nate. This too shall pass one day at a time. Love you all.
Lou Reese and family

Lou Reese - September 21, 2018 at 06:47 PM