



## Shirley J. Rice

February 7, 1939 - January 26, 2015

Shirley J. Rice, 75, Iron Mountain, formerly of Hardwood, died Mon. Jan. 26, 2015 at Bellin Hospital in Green Bay. She was born on Feb. 7, 1939 in Manistique, MI, the daughter of the late Edward and Elma (Esterholm) Swanson.

Shirley received her diploma from North Dickinson High School in 1974.

Shirley married Patrick Rice on March 19, 1957 in Manistique. The couple moved from Gulliver to Hardwood in 1965. The couple enjoyed entertaining. Every weekend their home was filled with family and friends surrounding the table, playing cards and spoons. She also enjoyed working jigsaw puzzles and traveling.

She is survived by her four children Michael (Pamela) Rice of Florence, Patti (Erv) Kittelson of Norway, Tammy (Gregory) Harris of Wilson, and Mark (Christine) Rice of Iron Mountain, two sisters Helen Stahl of Arizona and Betty (Wilbur) LaBar of Manistique, one sister-in-law Wanda Swanson of Manistique, ten grandchildren David Castleman, Celeste (Brian) Bancroft, Tiffany (Dan) Nelson, Nicholas Kittelson, Allie (Jesse) Martin, Stephanie (Eric Robinson) Kittelson, Michaela (Mike Marohn) Rice, Alex Rice, Zachary Rice, and Morgan Rice, five great grandchildren Brayden Nelson, Ilah Bancroft, Blake Nelson, James Robinson, and Tobias Bancroft, and many

nieces and nephews.

Shirley was preceded in death by her husband Patrick on Dec. 11, 2004 and one brother John "Jack" Swanson.

Visitation will be Friday from 4-6 pm at Erickson-Rochon & Nash Funeral Home. A memorial service will be at 6pm Friday at the funeral home. Rev. Jesse Dougherty will officiate.

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

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

# Previous Events

## Visitation

JAN 30. 4:00 PM - 6:00 PM (CT)

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

## Memorial Service

JAN 30. 6:00 PM (CT)

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901 Carpenter Ave.  
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# Tribute Wall

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“ *Mark & family, our hearts go out to you with the loss of your mom/grandma. I know Alex & Morgan told us of many fun times they had with her, may those memories give you comfort now. You will all be in our thoughts. With sympathy, Nate, Kris, Jake & Lauren Czerwan.*

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**the Czerwans** - January 29, 2015 at 04:55 PM

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“ *Many fond memories of Patrick and Shirley at our house visiting with my parents as I was growing up. I remember there was always a lot of laughter! Hadn't seen Shirley in years and had the opportunity to visit with her several times this summer when she was in Manor Care; she still was that spunky lady I remembered. May she rest in peace.*

*Thoughts and prayers are with the entire family.*

*With our deepest condolences,  
Ward & LeeAnn (Kenny) Johnson*

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**LeeAnn Johnson** - January 28, 2015 at 09:34 PM