



Virginia P. Eggen

September 8, 1913 - September 8, 2014

Virginia Eggen, 101, of Iron Mountain, died Monday, Sept. 8, 2014, on her 101st birthday, at Hyland Nursing Home. Virginia Eggen was born Virginia Pauline Karlson on September 8, 1913 in Virginia, Minnesota. She was the third of five children born to Swedish parents Knute and Pauline.

The Karlson family moved to Minneapolis where she attended grade and high schools.

In 1934 she graduated from nurse's training at Bethesda Hospital in St. Paul. She earned a B.S. degree in Public Health Nursing in 1939 from the University of Minnesota.

After a short stint as a visiting nurse in Minneapolis, she spent the next several years as the first county nurse and school nurse in Pine County, Minnesota. She performed various functions such as health education and immunization clinics. She lived in Hinckley Minnesota at the time.

She had met Roy Eggen while they were students at the University. She and Roy were married in 1941 and lived in Antigo, Wisconsin. They later moved to Iron Mountain, Michigan and then to Niagara, Wisconsin where Roy was employed as a forester with Kimberly-Clark. She was the school nurse in Niagara from 1955-1969, and is still remembered by many former students. After many years in Niagara during which time they reared three children, she

moved to Coosa River in Alabama where her husband had been transferred. They later returned to Niagara in their retirement.

Her husband Roy died in 1985. Virginia is survived by her children Peter, Paula, and James, daughter-in-law Maida (Johnson) Eggen, two grandsons Adrian and Ryan Eggen, two grand-daughters-in-law Sonya Eggen and Subini Annamma, two great-grand children Anders and Alena Eggen, special nieces Gretchen Ortenzio and Susan Emerson, her closest friend Mary Deloria, numerous other relatives, and dear friends established over many years. Her four siblings Katy, Lenny, Alfred and Alden preceded Virginia in death.

Virginia enjoyed skiing, golf, picking wild berries, and amateur painting with her friends. She was a member of the Friends of the Library, the American Association of University Women, the Niagara Art Group, and the Riverside Church.

She loved life and people and was a bit of a free spirit. She is still remembered by some for the evening she went skiing, leaving her ladies bridge club to fend for itself until she returned.

Private memorial services and interment will be held.

Condolences to the family of Virginia Eggen may be expressed online at www.ernashfuneralhomes.com

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

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“ *My condolences to the family at this very difficult time. May you find comfort and hope in God's word the Bible at Revelation 21:3,4.*

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