



Yvonne \"Vonnie\" Erskine

August 7, 2012

On August 7, Yvonne Erskine, known to her family and friends as Vonnie, came to the end of her life's journey after a long and arduous battle with cancer. She was born on October 17, 1935 to parents August and Jean Novenske and grew up in Moran with brother Rod and sister Fayda. She graduated from LaSalle High School and had many fond memories of her school days.

Vonnie married Vern Erskine on April 24, 1954. They made their home in Moran and were blessed with four children, Pam, Tami, Verna and Brad. The pride and joy of Vonnie's life were her 4 grandsons. Matthew, a technical writer in St. Louis, MO.; Andrew an attorney in Washington, D.C.; Nick, a dinosaur expert and Zach, a Lego builder, both of Manistique. Vonnie was a lifetime member of Zion Lutheran Church of Allenville where she was baptized, confirmed and married. The cornerstone of her life was her great faith. She was a member of the choir, a Sunday school and Bible school teacher and served as treasure of the Lutheran Church Women for over 40 years.

Vonnie worked for Das Gift Haus in St. Ignace for over 30 years. She enjoyed what she called her "little job" and was known for the many kindnesses she passed on to her customers.

Vonnie was an amazing cook. She was famous for her pies and potato salad. Nothing made her happier than cooking for her family especially when she prepared her son-in-laws, Bill and Steve, their favorite dishes and birthday cakes for her daughter-in-law Karin.

Vonnie's favorite color was blue. She loved seeing the first robin in spring; picking the first cucumber from the garden, her morning coffee, finding a good patch of wild strawberries; making a fire in the wood stove; hearing the "ping" of her canning jars seal and listening to Kenny Rogers. Each Christmas the tree "was the best one yet". Her heart was full of kindness, generosity and love.

Services will be held at Zion Lutheran Church in Allenville on Saturday, August 11 at 1 pm, followed by a luncheon. Memorials may be directed to the Zion Lutheran Church Choir of Allenville with envelopes available from Dodson Funeral Home, 240 McCann Street, St. Ignace who assisted with arrangements.

Comments



“ I miss you

Donna Ortiz - October 23, 2018 at 03:30 PM



“ I remember the photo of the little guitar that you got me as a baby. I seen you play the guitar and remember you holding me.

donna - April 22, 2015 at 02:03 AM



“ I am so sorry to read about Yvonne passing. I will call and tell Liz and April. I already call and told Alice.

starr gessinger - August 31, 2012 at 02:43 PM



“ Aunt Vonnie, you will always have a place in my heart. I have nothing but good memories of you. A sweeter, kinder, more soft-spoken and gentle aunt never lived. I know you are home with our Lord and happier than ever and I am glad for you, but I can't help but be a little sad for those of us left behind, as the world will we live in will be a little dimmer without you. I love you. ~Cindi

Cindi Erskine Sabo - August 10, 2012 at 06:33 AM