



Betty Joyce Gustafson

March 25, 1927 - August 22, 2014

Betty Joyce Gustafson, age 87, of Sault Ste. Marie, Michigan passed away Friday afternoon, August 22, 2014 at Freighter View Assisted Living. Betty was born on March 25, 1927 in Lansing, Michigan to the late Glen and Anita (Aldrich) Sherwood. On March 21, 1944, she married Charles J. Gustafson in Lansing, Michigan. They had met on Mackinac Island where she was a visiting student and Charlie, who grew up on Whitefish Point had started a career in the Coast Guard. They eventually moved to Peck Street in the Sault where they raised three children. Betty worked as a sales clerk at Gambles and later Tempo, before working at the First National Bank in Sault Ste. Marie. Later, when she and Charles moved to Paradise, she worked as the branch manager of the First National Bank of Paradise. Betty was a gregarious, busy friend and mother. She had plans and projects throughout her life. She traveled extensively following Charlie's death in 1978 , visiting Europe several times and many places in the U.S. She was a reader to the very end of her life, and enjoyed cribbage league, and knitting. Betty was a supporter of the arts in Sault Ste. Marie; Soo Theatre, plays, and especially music. She was a member of the War Memorial Hospital Auxiliary and the First Church of Christ. Betty is survived by her three children: Chuck (Maria) Gustafson of Sault Ste. Marie, MI, Glen (Lori) Gustafson of Traverse City, MI, and Debra (Pat) Egan of Brimley, MI; six grandchildren: Wendy and Brandy, Sara, Nick, Spencer, and Sierra; and several great grandchildren. She is also survived by two sisters: Gloria Jenks of Lansing, MI and Janet Connors of San Antonio, TX; and a

brother, David Nixon, Texas. A funeral service will be held at 11:00 AM on Wednesday, August 27, 2014 at the First Church of Christ with Pastor Tom Cash officiating. Friends may call at the church from 10:00 AM until the time of the service. A private family burial service will be held later that day at Oaklawn Chapel Gardens. Memorials may be left to War Memorial Hospital Auxiliary.

Tribute Wall

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“ *Condolences and sympathy to her family on her death. Salt Point will not be the same without her love of Lake Superior. We would meet and chat on the beach until she was too ill to come. Not seeing her on the beach is a loss. My sister worked with her at Tempo.*

Janet & Chris Hess - August 26, 2014 at 12:00 AM

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“ *All though we only knew Betty for a few years we always thought she was a great person. Sharon was her book buddy, always trading books with her. I have been the president of the Avery Square Residents Association for the last 2 years and Betty was always willing to jump in and help with our projects. Betty will be missed by both of us and also by everyone here at Avery Square. We hope she rests in peace. God Bless.*

William and Sharon Keetley - August 25, 2014 at 12:00 AM