



Betty Rae Nassoiy

June 20, 1922 - September 2, 2009

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FAX:906/632-7521 Ph: 906/632-8221 OBITUARY Elizabeth "Betty" Rae

Finlayson 6/20/1922 a◆" 9/02/2009 Betty Rae Nassoiy, of Birch Point Beach,

MI died on September 2, 2009 in Sault Ste. Marie, MI. She was born in the

Sault June 20th 1922, to Donald and Margaret (Raeburn) Finlayson. Betty

grew up in the Sault, and achieved her undergraduate degree at University of

MI. Betty lived in many other places throughout her life. She earned a

master's degree in social work in Colorado. She met her husband Duke, in

the bay area of California, where she was working with amputee soldiers from

the war. Married in California, Duke and Betty were stationed in many places

during Duke's career in the US Air Force. They lived in Mississippi,

Oklahoma, England, Missouri, New Jersey, Alaska, Washington DC, and New

York State. Betty explored each place she lived with adventurous enthusiasm,

and volunteered in different ways. Betty and Duke volunteered as ski patrol in

Alaska. Returning to Birch Point Beach, Michigan in the early 1970's, they

built their retirement home here, and actively traveled throughout the

northwoods, canoeing, hiking, skiing and backpacking. Widowed in 1983,

Betty continued to adventure with friends and relatives, traveling in Europe,

Central America, Canada, and the US southwest, by foot, boat, skis, and bike.

Betty volunteered with the Lake State Elder program, and with the Voyageur

Trail Association. Betty's love of life, and sense of humor was contagious, inspiring people who knew her. Betty is survived by her son Edward of Birch Point Beach, Michigan, and her daughter Aimee of Lopez Island, Washington; as well as her sister and brother-in-law Gene "Bubs" and Harry Regenstreif of Ann Arbor, Michigan, and sister-in-law Fran Finlayson of the Sault. Her grandson Robyn N. Minkler lives in Portland, Oregon. There are numerous other friends and relations who will miss Betty's smile, laughter, sense of human justice, and love of life. She is preceded in death, by her husband Duke Nassoiy, her brothers Jack and Don Finlayson, and her sister in law Katie Finlayson. Betty's life will be celebrated in a small private ceremony, on her beloved beach, on Sunday September 6th. She is cremated and will be scattered in the wild places she loved. We invite you to do something you love on Sunday, and remember Betty. Memorial contributions can be made to Amnesty International, Chippewa County Hospice, or the organization of your choice. Clark Bailey Newhouse Funeral Home assisted the family with arrangements.

Tribute Wall



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