



Dorothy Marion Skinner

March 14, 1923 - April 23, 2019

Dorothy Marion Skinner, age 96, of Pickford, Michigan, died on April 23, 2019 at her home. She was born on March 14, 1923 in Sault Ste. Marie, Michigan, to Lesley Izzard and Anna "Pearl" (Crisp) Izzard.

Dot grew up with her four siblings on their grandparent's, Nelson and Caroline Izzard, farm in Pickford. She met Robert James Rapson, Jr. and they married on June 23, 1942 in Pickford, Michigan. They lived and worked on the Rapson Family Farm in Pickford where they had four children. Robert died at the age of thirty-six. Dot ran the farm with the help of her best friend Veda Sodergren and her brother William "Bill" Skinner. Dot and Bill married on June 10, 1950 and added three more children to their family. They later moved back to the Izzard Farm which they ran until the 1970's when they retired.

Dot loved knitting socks and mittens, quilting, and baking. She sweetened many lives with her homemade maple syrup and the best sticky buns. Dot and Bill maintained a very large garden and canned plenty of fruits and vegetables for the winter months. Anyone who stopped in to visit would never leave hungry as she made sure to feed everyone. She had a great sense of humor and loved to play cards, she even taught her grandchildren to play poker and other games at her kitchen table.

Dot is survived by her husband, Bill Skinner; children, Ronald Rapson of Alto,

Michigan, Gloria Wilson of Terre Haute, Indiana, Beverly "Joann" Tippie of Pickford, Robert (Lynn) Rapson of Grand Rapids, Michigan, Marion (James) Hank of Sault Ste. Marie, William Harry Skinner and James (Peggy) Skinner of Goetzville, Michigan; grandchildren, Jimmy (Allison) Rapson, Jenice Wirth, Charlene (Peter Maritz) Jundt, Carol (Troy) Elbert, Dean Tippie, Kristina (Terry) Mayle, Charles (Lisa) Rapson, Billy (Courtney) Rapson, Jason (Michele) Huyck, Daniel (Mandy) Huyck, Nick (Mary) Huyck, Holly Skinner, Sarah (Jason) Blastic, Michelle Skinner, Jim (Paula) Skinner; and twenty-nine great-grandchildren.

Dot is preceded in death by her parents; first husband, Robert Rapson; sisters, Alice Gray, Mildred Izzard, Bernice Izzard; and brother, Wayne Izzard.

Visitation will be held on Friday, April 26, 2019 from 11:00 A. M. to 2:00 P.M. at R. Galer Funeral Home in Pickford. The Funeral Service will follow at 2:00 P.M.

Burial will be at Fairview Cemetery in Pickford later this spring.

Memorial contributions may be made to the Stalwart Presbyterian Church, 8089 E. M-48, Stalwart, MI 49736 or the Hospice of the E.U.P. 308 W. 12th Ave., Sault Ste. Marie, MI 49783.

Previous Events

Visitation

APR **26**. 11:00 AM - 2:00 PM (ET)

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Funeral Service

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Tribute Wall



“ Dorothy Marion Skinner

October 05, 2023 at 09:54 AM



“ Dorothy Marion Skinner

October 02, 2023 at 10:14 PM



“ Dorothy Marion Skinner

September 01, 2022 at 07:49 PM



“ *I'm so sorry, we just heard this, we were planning on stopping in next month to see her and Bill. I have such fond memories of them from when I was younger and we talk about them often. I remember when the farm burnt and they moved into Grandma and Grandpa Rapson's place... I don't know why we were in Pickford in the winter, but we girls were just flabbergasted by having to use an outhouse in the winter.. The last time I was there with my grandparents, my grandpa was completely non-verbal... but Dorothy went down and got a jar of bread and butter pickles... he ate the whole half gallon. So she went down and got 2 more jars to send home with him. He ate pickles all the way home... I have dahlias in my yard I've moved 4 times now that she gave me at least 35 years ago... The world is a poorer place with her gone.*

Mary Beth Cruickshank-Peed - July 03, 2019 at 11:34 AM

DK

“ I am so sorry, she was a great woman, she taught me the mean of "you have to stop and smell the roses" her and Bill raised a wonderful family, prayers to family

Debbie Kelly - April 26, 2019 at 08:45 AM



“ Full Of Love Bouquet was purchased for the family of Dorothy Marion Skinner.



April 25, 2019 at 01:06 PM

KJ

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katie jundt - April 25, 2019 at 11:03 AM

MM

Dorothy. What an amazing loving cousin. Bill (my mom. Amber Skinner Harts brothers boy). Loved Billy and Dorothy. As her own children...**HARD WORKING COUPLE. ALWAYS HAD COFFEE FOOD AND STORIES. THEY WERE SO MUCH FUN. ICE FISHING BONFIRES MEMORIES OF DOROTHY AND SMILES ALWAYS. WILL MISS HER. LOVE FROM. MERNA HART MUDGETT FAMILY**

MERNA HART MUDGETT - April 25, 2019 at 11:41 AM



“ *Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum was purchased for the family of Dorothy Marion Skinner.*



April 25, 2019 at 08:47 AM



“ *Enchanted Cottage was purchased for the family of Dorothy Marion Skinner.*



April 24, 2019 at 07:21 PM



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Jenice Wirth - April 24, 2019 at 06:22 PM



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