



Pauline S. Adams

December 31, 1928 - November 6, 2020

Pauline Schmitigal Gates Adams, age 91, of East Lansing, Michigan, died on November 6, 2020. She was born on December 31, 1928 in Stalwart, Michigan to Frank and Mildred (Crisp) Schmitigal.

Pauline attended Sault High and graduated with the class of 1947. She married James E. Gates on December 11, 1948 at St. Stephens Episcopal Church in DeTour Village, Michigan. They started a family raising three children. In 1964, Pauline began working on as the High School Secretary at DeTour High School. After James' death, Pauline married a lifelong friend Herbert W. Adams on April 10, 1982 in Apache Junction, Arizona. She retired from DeTour High School after almost twenty years in 1983.

Pauline was a member of the DeTour Women's Auxillary.

Pauline loved reading, doing jigsaw puzzles, and crocheting.

Pauline is survived by her children, Richard Gates of Flint, MI, Bonita Gates of Lansing, MI, and Anthony Gates of Schaumburg, IL; her stepchildren, Mary Wagner of Lansing, William Adams of lake Point, UT, Nancy Cline of Sault Ste. Marie, MI, Milton Adams of DeTour, MI, and Frances Danes of Taylor, MI; her grandchildren, Michael K. Gates and Brendan S. Gates of Schaumburg; numerous step-grandchildren; and many nieces and nephews.

Pauline is preceded in death by her parents; her first husband, James; second husband, Herbert; sister, Hazel (Peter) Likavec; brother-in-law, Roland (Louise) Gates.

Visitation will be held on Wednesday, November 11, 2020 from 3:00P.M. to 5:00 P.M. at R. Galer Funeral Home in Pickford, Michigan, and Thursday, November 12, 2020 from 11:00 A.M. to 1:00 P.M. with the Funeral Service beginning at 1:00 P.M.

Burial will be at Oaklawn Chapel Gardens, in Bruce Twp., Michigan.

Memorial contributions may be directed to Chippewa County Animal Shelter 3660 South Mackinac Trail, Sault Ste. Marie, MI 49783.

Condolences may be sent to the family at www.rgalerfuneralhome.com.

Cemetery Details

Oaklawn Chapel Gardens

15264 South M-129
Sault Ste. Marie, MI 49783

Previous Events

Visitation

NOV 11. 3:00 PM - 5:00 PM (ET)

Family Life Funeral Homes - Pickford
24549 S. M-129
Pickford, MI 49774

Funeral Service

NOV 12. 11:00 AM - 1:00 PM (ET)

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Tribute Wall



“ *Pauline S. Adams*

October 05, 2023 at 09:54 AM



“ *Pauline S. Adams*

October 02, 2023 at 10:14 PM



“ *Pauline S. Adams*

September 01, 2022 at 07:49 PM



“ *Rick, Bonita and Butch,*
So sorry for your loss. Your mother was a good friend of my mothers. She always had a smile on her face. I remember her laughter. Due to covid I was unable to make it to Pickford but you all are in my thoughts and prayers. Cherish the memories. Wish I could have visited with you all.
Candy Carper Postula

Candace Postula - November 17, 2020 at 11:14 AM

LP

“ To Rick, Butch, and Kitty: so many memories of summers past, two wonderful weeks in the UP every year. Aunt Polly and Uncle Jim and three great cousins! Picnics on the Scenic at the park, swimming, walking Main Street and putting out the streetlights (don't tell anyone) and many other adventures. Visits to Cheboygan, seeing Hazel, Vera, and other family. And eating French fries and drinking Vernors at Beckys, the best! Sticky buns and Whitefish....yum. I remember many trips to Shoups with your mom and ferry rides to Drummond. Oh the memories are just flooding my mind. Your moms good cooking was always a treat. Loved her and your dad. She leaves a great legacy in you all. Never forgotten.
Love, Linda

Linda Gates Johnson, niece to Polly - November 12, 2020 at 01:16 PM

DM

“ Rick , Bonita and Butch,

Enjoyed working with your mother for many years at the school. She was a nice lady. So sorry for your loss.

Dave Miller

David F. Miller - November 11, 2020 at 05:18 PM

MB

“ Bonnie and family, so sorry for the loss of your mom. May your memories bring you peace and comfort. God bless her soul.

Marsha Ballard

Marsha Ballard - November 11, 2020 at 02:09 PM

SS

“ Dear Bonnie, my deepest sympathy with the loss of of mother. God Bless you. Sandy Simpson

Sandy Simpson - November 11, 2020 at 10:52 AM

SS

“ Polly's Family
I am so sorry for your loss. I will always cherish the memories of the friendship our mothers shared, in their younger years in Detour and again in their retired years. Many thoughts and prayers in this time for your family.

Sherry Skinner (Olmstead)

Sherry Skinner - November 10, 2020 at 09:33 PM

M&

“ Red and Linda,
So sorry for your loss. Cherish the memories
Mike & Diane



M&D - November 10, 2020 at 08:25 PM