



Rosemarie Moses

November 19, 1937 - August 22, 2022

Rosemarie (Shomin) Moses, age 84, of St. Ignace, Michigan, named Niigaanigaabokwe or Woman Who Leads, passed away peacefully at McLaren Northern Michigan Hospital in Petoskey, Michigan, on August 22, 2022. She was surrounded by her children, grandchildren, their spouses, and a few other close family members. She was born on November 19, 1937, in Cheboygan, Michigan, to John and Evelyn (Tepakeyah) Shomin.

Rosemarie grew up in St. Ignace, Michigan, and waitressed at a local restaurant. She met Francis William Moses, once he returned from service in the U.S. Air Force, and they married on June 30, 1956, in St. Ignace. They raised nine children together. She later earned her Certified Nursing Assistant certificate and started working for the Mackinac Straits Hospital in the Long Term Care Department. She fulfilled her education by graduating with her GED from LaSalle High School in 1987, with her daughter Midge. After many years at long term care, she retired in 2004 to take care of Francis until his death on March 31, 2006.

Rosemarie loved her adventures! She was always ready to go for a ride whether to get a newspaper, coffee, or take a trip to Georgia or Montana. She always had stories to share and especially loved the ones involving her husband, Mose (Francis). Another favorite of hers was her beloved tablet – never too far away. The last few years of her life, she lived with her daughter,

Midge, and they enjoyed many adventures, including going for rides in helicopters and biplanes. Family and friends enjoyed reading the stories about the “Little Lady” as they were shared on the internet. Some of her adventures including tea parties, black ash basket-making, painting class, going to the barn dance, exploring new roads, and enjoying the Hallmark Channel with her grandkids.

Rosemarie is known in St. Ignace for her kind heart and hospitality to all. You didn’t walk into her home without getting food and coffee. She loved all her children – kids, grandkids, and great-grandkids – as well as all their cousins and relatives, and friends. You knew you were safe in her home and she would treat you like one of her own – even keeping you in line. She had the grandma stare up to the end.

Rosemarie served on a number of committees throughout her younger years: the Altar Society of St. Ignatius Loyola Catholic Church, Sault Tribe Health Committee, Title IV Parent Committee, and the Johnson O’Malley Parent committee.

Rosemarie is survived by her daughters, Geraldine “Deana” (Leonard) Knauf of Sault Ste. Marie, Michigan, Catherine (James) Hadley of St. Ignace, Cecelia (Robert) Holmes of St. Ignace, Karen Moses of Sault Ste. Marie, Margaret “Midge” Tillman of St. Ignace, and Christina (Martin Reinhardt) Moses of Marquette, Michigan; grandchildren, Steven (Trisha) Knauf, Christopher Knauf, Kimberely Knauf, Ann Marie (David) Mayer, Angela Hadley, Jessica (Tom France) Hadley, Michelle (Ricci) LaPonsie, Andrew Holmes, Jacob (Tiffany Sawyer) Tillman, Amber Tillman, Kathleen (Ryan) Urbis, and Biidaaban Reinhardt; great-grandchildren, Madison, Francis, Grant, Adalyn, Brooklyn, Matthew, Caleb, Keira, Jace, Tessa, Isaac, Louanna, Karolyne, Athena, and Eden; brother, Michael (Danette) Andrews of St. Ignace; and sister, Wilda (Keith) Bard of South Haven, Michigan; sisters-in-

law, Linda Shomin Ilene Moses, Phyllis (Lewis) Colegrove; and brothers-in-law, Ron (Molly) Paquin and Levi Moses; very close nephew, Darrin (Heather) Spoon; and numerous nieces and nephews.

Rosemarie is preceded in death by her husband, Francis William Moses; sons, Edward, Robert and John Moses; parents, John Shomin and Evelyn Andrews; and parents-in-law, Agnes and Antoine Moses; brothers, Donald, William, Kenneth, Calvin, Ronald, Raymond, Richard Shomin; sisters, Marie Shomin, Mildred LaDuke, and Carole Paquin.

A traditional funeral ceremony will be held on August 25, 2022, at 10:00 a.m. at the St. Ignace Tribal Community Center (former McCann Elementary School), 399 McCann St., St. Ignace, MI 49781. A Mass of Christian Burial will be held at St. Ignatius Loyola Catholic Church, at 12:00 Noon the same day followed by a luncheon at the St. Ignace Tribal Community Center.

Burial will be at Wequayoc Cemetery, Hessel, Michigan.

Galer Funeral Homes & Cremation in Pickford, Michigan, is serving the family. Condolences may be sent to the family at www.galerfuneralhomes.com.

Previous Events

Traditional Ceremony

AUG 25. 10:00 AM (ET)

St. Ignace Tribal Community Center
399 McCann St.
St. Ignace, MI 49781

Mass of Christian Burial

AUG 25. 12:00 PM (ET)

St. Ignatius Loyola Catholic Church
120 Church
St. Ignace, MI 49781

Tribute Wall



“ *Rosemarie Moses*

October 05, 2023 at 09:54 AM



“ *Rosemarie Moses*

October 02, 2023 at 10:14 PM



“ *Rosemarie Moses*

September 01, 2022 at 07:49 PM



“ *Woman Who Leads. She was a kind, honest, good woman and she left a family with those same values behind. I am so sorry for your great loss. Lynne P.*

Lynne Piippo - August 25, 2022 at 12:58 PM



“ *My condolences to Rosemarie's family. She was the sweetest. She will be missed by so many.*



Nicole Turley - August 24, 2022 at 09:27 PM



“ *Darlene Lee Goldacker lit a candle in memory of Rosemarie Moses*



Darlene Lee Goldacker - August 24, 2022 at 06:03 PM