



Viola "Bobbie" Lightfoot

December 8, 1929 - September 3, 2021

Viola "Bobbie" Janice Lightfoot, 91, passed away peacefully on Sept. 3, 2021 at Freighter View Assisted Living.

She was born Dec. 8, 1929 in Rochester, Mich., to Raymond and Helen Fowler, and moved to the Upper Peninsula when she was a child.

She married Howard "Red" Lightfoot on Jan. 28, 1950 in Sault Ste. Marie, where they raised six children, Steve (Dyann); Sam (Terri); Tony; Pat (Paulette); Holly Pink (Tom); and Chris (Janet).

People talk of being busy today, but most of us don't come close to knowing the busy of raising six kids. She was modest about what it took to keep a big family going, but all of her children credit their successes in life to her.

In spite of her full-time occupation, Bobbie found time to transform the lawn of their house into an extensive flower garden that was well-known in the neighborhood and beyond. She especially enjoyed watching the crocus and tulips spring forth after a long winter.

Bobbie and Red gathered regularly with members of the Married People's Club and enjoyed steak dinners with friends at the cabin they owned for many years on Lake Superior near Iroquois Point. She never missed a chance to

swim in Lake Superior, from as early as May to as late as October, and spending time on the beach was one of her favorite things to do. She took her last dip in the lake at 90 years old.

Bobbie had a beautiful voice and she loved to sing. She was a member of the Mary Wood Chorus for many years and sang at many weddings, funerals, and family gatherings. She loved Sunday dinners with family. Her grandchildren especially enjoyed Christmas Eve parties at Grandma and Grandpa's house. She taught them the importance of getting in the water, stopping to smell the flowers, enjoying a good dinner, and celebrating the simple things in life.

Bobbie is survived by her six children, 11 grandchildren, five great-grandchildren, nephews and cousins. She was preceded in death by her husband, Howard, and two great-grandchildren, Brynn and Andrew.

In accordance with Bobbie's wishes, there will be no funeral service. Burial will be in Mission Hill Cemetery.

Memorials may be made to Hospice of the EUP.

Tribute Wall

TB

“ Dear Lightfoot family, So sorry to hear of your Mom's passing. You are in my thoughts and prayers. Terri

Terri Bugli - October 05, 2021 at 12:00 AM

KM

“ To all the Lightfoot family - I am so sorry to hear of your Mom's passing. I have so many memories growing up a couple houses away, playing in your yard, having poker games at your kitchen table, etc. I pray for you all for peace. She was an amazing lady.

Kent McPherson - September 15, 2021 at 12:00 AM

KS

“ I remember Bobbieand Howard from long ago when I taught in the Sault. I did not know her well but remember she was a delightful sweet woman. She lived a long life and was loved by many. Cherish those memories.

Kit Spring - September 13, 2021 at 12:00 AM

JK

“ Dear Lightfoot family,
I am SO grateful mom got to see Bobbi the day before she passed...Mom was praying she'd get to see her and that Bobbi would remember her. She did! We have so many memories of your mom. The picture here is SO Bobbi! It made me smile. I loved singing in the Mary Wood Chorus with her for many years and I always enjoyed her solos. It tickled me when I'd hear about her swimming in Lake Superior over so many years. I know this loss is hard. It's hard for many. Know that we will always carry a warm spot in our hearts when we think of your beloved mom/grandma.
Blessings from all the Holt family.

Jane Kennedy - September 11, 2021 at 12:00 AM

WI

“ My condolences to the Lightfoot family on the loss of dear Bobbie. She was a valued friend to me through the years. Loyal, kind and considerate. Always willing to listen and lend support and guidance. I will miss her dearly.



Waltraut Ingold - September 09, 2021 at 12:00 AM

DC

“ Sending my condolences to the Lightfoot family for the loss you are experiencing. Hugs and prayers sent 🙏🌸

Deb Michaels Cain - September 08, 2021 at 12:00 AM

JS

“ *My sincere condolences to the family. Many fond memories of playing cards w/ Red and Bobbie. John Sawruk*



john sawruk - September 07, 2021 at 12:00 AM

JM

“ *So sorry Lightfoot family for your loss of Mom and Grandma Bobbie. My parents enjoyed a friendship earlier in their life with Bobbie and Red. I remember going to the cabin on the lake when I was young and meeting most of you. I'm glad my Dad was able to catch up with some of you boys before he died. He had a good time sharing some stories about your mom and dad. We have lots of memories to be thankful for. Hugs to all of you.*



Judy Morgan - September 05, 2021 at 12:00 AM