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Betty J. Dvergsten, 87

Betty Dvergsten died Wednesday, June 11, 2014, at Cottagewood Senior Communities Assisted Living facility, Buffalo, Minn., at the age of 87 years, three months and 20 days.
Betty J. McGuire was born Feb. 21, 1927, at Badger, Minn. She grew up at Badger and graduated from Badger High School Class of 1946.
She taught school at Goodridge, Minn., and in District 1 School at Greenbush, Minn.
She married Arnold Dvergsten June 9, 1948. They lived at International Falls,

Minn., for many years.
Arnold died May 20, 1988.
Betty later lived at Rockford, Minn., and Buffalo.
She is survived by three grandsons, Glenn and Christopher Dvergsten of Minneapolis, Minn., and Robert Greenwaldt of International Falls.
She was preceded in death by her husband, Arnold in 1988; an infant daughter, Dorothy in 1953; and sons, Edward Dvergsten in 2000 and Charles Dvergsten in 2009.
Services were conducted at 3 p.m. Wednesday, June 18, at Gieseke Funeral Chapel, Greenbush. Pastor



Mark Mathews officiated. Interment is at Bethel Lutheran Cemetery.
Gieseke Funeral Chapel, Greenbush, was in charge of arrangements.

Elizabeth Louise Kline, 81

Elizabeth Louise Kline, 81, of International Falls, Minn., died Saturday, June 21, 2014, at Good Samaritan Society-International Falls.
Elizabeth was born July 14, 1932, at Minneapolis, Minn., to Orlando and Juliette Tiller.
Elizabeth was united in marriage on June 16, 1950, to Marvin Kline.
She loved spending time with Marvin and also loved to go camping and hunting.
She was preceded in

death by her parents and husband.
She is survived by her daughter, Kathy (Leonard) Christopher of Ranier, Minn.; brother, Edward (Ruth) Tiller of Boone, Iowa; Sarah (Doug) Brinkman; Zachary Christopher.
Per Elizabeth's wishes, no funeral services will be conducted.
Condolences may be left at www.greenlarsen.com.
Arrangements are with Green-Larsen Mortuary



Inc., International Falls.

Alice (Kawulia) Cain, 74

Alice Cain, age 74, of Prior Lake, Minn., (formerly of Iron Mountain, Mich., and International Falls, Minn.) passed away suddenly Sunday, June 15, 2014, at Fairview Ridges Hospital, Burnsville, Minn. Her family was with her.
A memorial gathering took place 5 to 7 p.m. Tuesday, June 24, with prayers and reflections at 7 at Ballard-Sunder Funeral & Cremation, Prior Lake, Minn.
A Celebration of Life service is also scheduled for friends and family in the International Falls area at 1 p.m. Wednesday, July 2, at Faith United Church.

It was a beautiful summer day in Fort Frances, Ontario, on June 4, 1940, when Nicholas and Mary (Mycak) Kawulia celebrated the birth of their beautiful baby girl, Alice Kawulia.
Alice was the youngest of six, and she loved all of her siblings. She especially enjoyed spending time with her older brothers. She looked up to them, and they were always looking out for her. Her childhood wasn't easy, but it gave her the fighting spirit that served her well the rest of her life.
When Alice was 11 years old she moved to International Falls to live with her sister, Helen and her husband, Al and their children. It was during junior high and high school she met her two best friends, Laurie and Linda, and both of their families considered Alice to be like a daughter.
Alice attended Falls High School. She met a great group of girls, and they all became Forever Friends who still meet regularly for lunch and reunions. Alice graduated in 1958. After high school, she worked for her brother-in-law at United Propane.

It was at a house party that Alice first met the love of her life, Ed Cain. Ed was sitting on the front steps when Alice arrived at the party. He serenaded her with a guitar (even though he didn't know how to play) and sang a Buddy Holly song for her. Alice just rolled her eyes, but she soon fell in love

with him.
Alice and Ed attended dances during their courtship and danced throughout their marriage.
The two exchanged wedding vows Jan. 6, 1962 (Ukrainian Christmas Eve).
Alice and Ed were blessed with two beautiful daughters, Beth and Kristin.
As a family, the Cains enjoyed many camping trips over the years. They would go camping as a family every summer.
Alice, Ed and her girls would also make many voyages to Duluth for shopping trips. Alice would spend the whole day in Target looking for bargains. Some trips they ate both lunch and dinner in the store.
As their girls were growing up, Alice and Ed worked hard to provide a good life for them. In the fall they would go ricing together; Alice was "the poler" and Ed was the "ricer." Their ricing even paid for a family trip to Disney World one Christmas.
As a couple, Alice and Ed enjoyed going to "dance club" and playing cards with other couples.
Once the girls were both in school, Alice got a job as a preschool teacher. She loved her work and all of the children she taught. She was always telling stories about her preschoolers; she thought of them as her own children.
Eventually Alice went back to school and earned her child development certificate. She eventually was offered her dream job teaching preschool at St. Thomas Catholic School.
Unfortunately, she was only able to do this for a short time, as the Cain family relocated to Iron Mountain for Ed's work.
It was then that she began working for Headstart. They spent the next 23 years in the Upper Peninsula of Michigan where they, enjoyed golfing and hosting visiting friends and family who came to stay.
In 2000, Alice's life was turned upside down when she had a massive stroke,



but she didn't let it get her down for long. She worked to regain her speech and coordination.
She and Ed began taking trips such as Hawaii and New York and spending a few months in Arizona each winter.
In 2009, Ed and Alice moved to Prior Lake, Minn., to be closer to their family.
Alice rarely missed her grandkids' hockey games, school events or dance recitals.
She was a compassionate woman who showered everyone she met with love.
Alice was determined, creative, organized and had a great sense of humor. She will always be remembered for her feisty spirit.
Alice will be missed deeply by loving her husband, Ed Cain; daughters, Beth (Larry) Crosby and Kristin (Will) Cayo; grandchildren, Tyler, Chloe, Sophie and Ethan; brothers, Mitch (Jay) Kawulia, Peter "Smoke" Kawulia and Nick Kawulia; niece, Nancy (Mike) Biondich and their sons, Pete (Kendra) and Tom (Amber); other loving relatives and many friends.
Alice was preceded in death by her parents; infant son, Timmy; and siblings, Helen Kawulia and Willie Kawulia.
Urn bearer for Alice is her grandson, Tyler Crosby.
Memorials are preferred and can be made in Alice's honor to the Mayo Clinic (Heart Unit) or Falls Education Foundation.
The Cain family is served with honor, care and compassion by Ballard-Sunder Funeral & Cremation, Prior Lake.

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