



## Helen E. Perry

January 18, 1928 - April 13, 2025

Helen E. Perry, 97, of Crystal Falls, passed away on Sunday, April 13, 2025, at the Iron County Medical Care Facility in Crystal Falls.

Helen was born January 18, 1928, in Crystal Falls, MI, daughter of the late John Eckola and Emil and Saima (Korkiamaki) Eckola Rosenlof. She graduated from Crystal Falls High School in 1945 and married Raymond “Ray” Perry on January 9, 1954, in Crystal Falls; they shared 59 years together before his passing in 2013. She was a lifelong resident of the area. She was the secretary at United Lutheran Church for 10 years, bookkeeper at local area businesses, and after raising her family she was Crystal Falls Township Clerk for over 10 years. She was a founding member of the Forest Park Band Booster Club and was instrumental in raising funds to purchase new band uniforms. Helen volunteered at St. Vincent de Paul and enjoyed sewing, gardening and crocheting. She was an active member of the United Lutheran Church.

Helen is survived by her 5 children, Tom (Tonya) Perry of Ishpeming, Susan Sullenger of Marquette, Henry (Roxann) Perry of Crystal Falls, Jean Thoreson of Indiana, and Christine Perry of Crystal Falls; 11 grandchildren, Jake Perry and Meg Holeva, Melissa Robertson and Katherine Sullenger, Kelsey Everts and Haley Rowe, Jenn Gustafson, Joanna Bays, and Jamie Krueger, Emily Hendricks and Patrick Hendricks; 16 great-grandchildren; sister-in-law, Patt

Alft; and numerous nieces and nephews.

In addition to her parents and husband, she was preceded in death by a grandson, Justin Perry, son-in-law, Ronald Sullenger; a brother and sister-in-law, Wilfred "Bud" (Karen) Eckola; a sister and brother-in-law, Carol (Ronald) Johnson; and sister-in-law and brother-in-law, Carol (Bill) Premo.

Visitation will be held from 11:00 AM to 12:30 PM on Friday, April 25 at the United Lutheran Church in Crystal Falls. A memorial service will follow at 12:30 PM at the church. Pastor DJ Rasner will officiate. A luncheon will follow in the Fellowship Hall.

In lieu of flowers, memorials may be made to the Iron County Cancer Unit or Locker Lunches, Inc.

Helen's family would like to thank the staff at Iron County Medical Care Facility for their loving care while she was a resident there, and Dr. Donald Smith for the years he cared for her.

Condolences to the family of Helen Perry may be expressed online at [www.nashfuneralhome.net](http://www.nashfuneralhome.net)

The family has entrusted the Nash Funeral Home and Cremation Services with the arrangements.

# Previous Events

## Visitation

APR **25**. 11:00 AM - 12:30 PM (CT)

United Lutheran Church  
506 Superior Ave  
Crystal Falls, MI 49920

## Memorial Service

APR **25**. 12:30 PM (CT)

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Crystal Falls, MI 49920

# Tribute Wall



“ Auntie Helen was always the funniest one in the room if you were fortunate to hear her witty comments. She was also always good for a hug and a kind word.  
Wendy

Wendy Larson - May 19, 2025 at 04:19 PM



“ Kathie Hill lit a candle in memory of Helen E. Perry



kathie Hill - April 28, 2025 at 09:36 PM



“ A sympathy card was purchased for the family of Helen E. Perry.



April 21, 2025 at 10:27 AM



“ Full Of Love Bouquet was purchased for the family of Helen E. Perry.



April 18, 2025 at 09:37 PM

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“ *Jessica Tincher purchased the Enchanted Cottage for the family of Helen E. Perry.*



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**Jessica Tincher** - April 18, 2025 at 07:14 PM