



Joyce E. Kangas

August 4, 1928 - April 2, 2019

Joyce E. Kangas

90, of Crystal Falls, passed away on April 2, 2019 at the Iron River Care Center.

Joyce was born on August 4, 1928 in Alston, MI. She was the daughter of the late Carl and Lila (Oger) Abramson. Joyce grew up in the Copper Country and was a 1946 graduate of Baraga High School. She continued her education at Northern Michigan College and received her Bachelor Degree and teaching certification. Joyce taught at the Pelkie school for a time and on October 16, 1948 married Jalmer Kangas in Pelkie. She and Jalmer moved to Iron County and together raised their family there. Joyce worked as a clerk at the Co-op in Amasa. She also worked for many years at Lada's Red Owl in Crystal Falls..

Joyce was a member of Christ United Methodist Church in Crystal Falls. She was very active in the Crystal Falls Chapter 385 Order of Eastern Star and had was past worthy Matron. She also held several offices with the White Shrine of Jerusalem. Joyce was involved with the special needs children in the area and always had a special place in her heart for the special education students.

She enjoyed sewing, embroidery, playing scrabble and word games. In their

later years, she and Jalmer travelled extensively in the southern and western United States.

Joyce is survived by her sons, Rodney (Susan) Kangas of Iron River and Bruce Kangas of Crystal Falls; brother, John (Carol) Abramson of Dewitt, MI; grandchildren, Matthew (Heather) Kangas of Alamogordo, New Mexico, Michael (Angela) Kangas of Crete, Nebraska and Amber Caldwell of Iron River; great grandchildren, Morgan, Bryson, Brynn, Max, Briar, Helen, Mason, Makayla and Trevor.

Visitation will be on Tuesday, April 9th from 10:00 am to 12:00 noon at the Nash Funeral Home of Crystal Falls. Funeral services will follow at 12:00 noon at the funeral home. Rev. Vicky Prewitt will officiate. Burial will be in the Alston Cemetery.

Condolences to the family of Joyce Kangas may be expressed online at www.nashfuneralhome.net

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

Cemetery Details

Alston Cemetery

Alston, MI

Previous Events

Visitation

APR 9. 10:00 AM - 12:00 PM (CT)

Nash Funeral Home
104 North Third St.
Crystal Falls, MI 49920

Funeral Service

APR 9. 12:00 PM (CT)

Nash Funeral Home
104 N. Third St.
Crystal Falls

Tribute Wall

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“ Rodney and Bruce I'm sorry to here about your mother she and my mother were good friends they went to eastern star to gather all the time. Robert Urban

Robert Urban - April 05, 2019 at 08:16 PM

AC

Hi Robert, thank you for your kind thoughts. Were Otto and Irene your folks? I can remember visiting them often as a child. They would send me home with fresh pears from their tree when in season. :)

Amber Caldwell - April 06, 2019 at 05:30 PM

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Otto and Irene were my mom and dad

Robert Urban - April 06, 2019 at 09:00 PM

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I thought so. I remember them well.

Amber Caldwell - April 08, 2019 at 06:00 PM