



Bernice Simonetti

January 20, 1930 - June 1, 2025

LORETTO- Bernice Dorothy Simonetti age 95 of Loretto, died Sunday, June 1, 2025 at Evergreen Assisted Living Center in Norway, MI.

She was born January 20, 1930 in Gourley, the daughter of the late Florian and Dagmar (Erickson) Rhode, Sr.

She married John Simonetti on August 4, 1951 in Spalding, he preceded her in death on January 16, 2022.

She enjoyed cooking, baking, cross stitch, coloring and canning. Bernice loved spending time with her grandchildren.

She is survived by her daughter Anna Maria (Paul) Bafile of Iron Mountain; son Joseph Simonetti of Loretto; grandchildren Joseph (Maxine) Simonetti, Jacob (Heather Dake) Simonetti, Cassandra (Chris) Broeders and Adriana (Joshua) Gudwer; great grandchildren Jaedyn, Jill, Kolton, Letty and Stanley; brother Blaine (Gloria) Rhode of Carney; many nieces and nephews.

She was preceded in death by her brothers Robert, Florian, Gerald, Raymond, Clifford, Floyd, Allen, and Howard Rhode and sisters Sally Rhode and Betty Waldo.

According to Bernice's wishes there will be no funeral services.

Interment will be held at the Norway Township Cemetery.

Cemetery Details

Norway Township Cemetery

Norway Township, MI

Tribute Wall

ST

“ *Susan Tinti lit a candle in memory of Bernice Simonetti*



Susan Tinti - June 05, 2025 at 04:03 PM

AN

Thank you

Anna - June 05, 2025 at 04:27 PM

LS

“ *I met Bernice at evergreen meadows. She was a delight! She told stories about tagging along with her brothers growing up and going to dances. She loved to color with Fern. (Fern told me that Bernice was teaching her how to color.) I was amazed at how intricately she could color and cut! She said that when she was little, her mom would have her color to keep her quiet! One day she saved my dad's life. He fell out on the patio while he was gardening. It was hot and sunny and he couldn't get up. Bernice happened to look out the window. He motioned to her and asked her to get help, which she did. May God comfort you all*

Lynn Seaman - June 05, 2025 at 12:44 PM

AN

Thank you for your kind words.

Anna - June 05, 2025 at 04:27 PM

CL

“ *Cristal Lombardini lit a candle in memory of Bernice Simonetti*



cristal lombardini - June 05, 2025 at 02:06 AM

AN

Thank you, Cristal

Anna - June 05, 2025 at 08:57 AM

CR

“ *My sympathy to the family ! My good neighbor rest in peace, we had many good conversations and shared our concerns about family and the world ! Bernice would bring over produce from their garden which was such a treat, a good woman who will be missed 🙏*

Carol Radlinger - June 04, 2025 at 02:35 PM

AN

Thank you for your kind words.

Anna - June 05, 2025 at 08:58 AM

CR

“ *Carol Radlinger lit a candle in memory of Bernice Simonetti*



Carol Radlinger - June 04, 2025 at 02:24 PM

RH

“ I got to know Bernice at Evergreen Meadows when I visited each week as the Eucharist Minister for Saint Mary's Catholic Church in Norway. She was such a happy lady and I enjoyed visiting with her and I have several pictures hanging on my kitchen cupboard that she colored for me. She and her friend Fern were always in the sitting area coloring when I came in the front doors and greeted me with smiles and a hello, but they were most proud to show me their latest pictures! God's Love, Prayers and Blessings to her family, Rosemary Haepers



Rosemary Haepers - June 04, 2025 at 02:30 AM

AN

Thank you for sharing your kind words of Bernice. It's comforting to hear those stories.

Anna - June 05, 2025 at 09:01 AM