



## Cecelia Cologna

May 20, 1919 - January 13, 2008

CECELIA COLOGNA NORWAY- Cecelia E. Cologna age 88 of Norway, went to be with her Lord and her loving husband Connie on Sunday, January 13, 2008 at Freeman Nursing and Rehabilitation Community, in Kingsford, MI. She was born in Atlantic City, N.J. on May 20, 1919 the daughter of the late James and Agnes (Jasper) Evans. Cecelia graduated from Kingsford High School. Worked as a waitress at the Dickinson Inn and Joe Casanova's Restaurant in Norway. Then as a custodian at St. Mary's Church for 34 years, retiring in February 2000. She loved playing and calling Bingo. She took many bus trips throughout the country with her husband. Other activities she enjoyed included ceramics, reading, flowers, movies, and plays. Cecelia was a member of Norvulet Post #4581, V.F.W. Auxiliary and a member of the Norway-Vulcan Senior Center. She married Connie Cologna on May 1, 1943 at American Martyrs Church in Kingsford. He preceded her in death after celebrating 61 years together, on November 30, 2004. Cecelia is survived by her four loving daughters Connie (Larry) Paquette of Iron Mountain, Patty (Ed) Langin of Norway, Rosemary (Tom) Ball of Norway, and Debbie (Art Costa) Baker of Niagara, WI.; grandchildren Kevin (Karen) Paquette, Patrick Langin, Stacie (Mitra) Tewari, Justin Ball, Jessica and Stephanie Baker, Keith (Renee) Paquette and Tim (Helen) Paquette; great grandchildren Amanda, Nicholas and Jared Paquette and Allison Tewari; sister MaryAnn Test of Iron Mountain; brothers Raymond (Stella) Mellen of St. Cloud, FL., and John Mellen of Dearborn Heights; sister-in-law Cleo Mellen of Ann Arbor; several nieces,

nephews and cousins. She was preceded in death by her great grandson Jonathan Paquette; brothers Joe and Louis Mellen. Visitation will be held on Wednesday, January 16 from 5:30 to 6:30 p.m. at St. Mary's Church in Norway. The Mass of Christian Burial will be celebrated on Wednesday at 6:30 p.m. at St. Mary's Church with Fr. James Roetzer, presiding. Interment will be held at the Norway Township Cemetery.

# Tribute Wall

DL

“ Dear Connie, Patty, Rosemary, and Deb, I'm sorry about Mom, You girls were so good to her. I admire your close knit family. I would have been there for you, but we are in Texas. I will hug you when we get home. Lunch in April. Love, Mary and Dennis

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**Dennis and Mary LaFaive** - January 30, 2015 at 12:00 AM

EG

“ I am extending my sympathy to all of you girls (sisters), in the passing of your beloved Mom. Be thankful to our Lord, that she is now at peace. May you also find peace in your hearts, knowing that she is with your Dad again. Thinking of you, Eveline Grimes

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**Eveline Grimes** - January 30, 2015 at 12:00 AM

RA

“ I am so sorry to hear about Cecelia. She was a wonderful lady. I remember many times where Stacie and I went over there to play games or what not. Your family is in my thoughts and in my prayers.

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**Raynae** - January 30, 2015 at 12:00 AM

MM

“ My condolences on the loss of your mother and friend. What a life to celebrate, though. The first time I met Aunt Ceci and Uncle Connie was in 1971. I had a feeling they would be a fun couple – who else would have a monkey living in their diningroom. Over the years as we visited, usually unannounced, we always received such a warm welcome. Aunt Ceci would open the door and say “Crumps, look what the cat dragged in” in her loving way. Then she would ask if we were hungry or load us up with them if they were heading to a 4th of July picnic, barbecue, church breakfast, or any of the many community events they always supported. We were summer visitors, and she was always seasonally attired for the patriotic holidays!! She enjoyed life and took pride in her home and church work. I admired both Aunt Ceci and Uncle Connie’s gentleness. What a virtue in the hectic lives we sometimes run. Heaven takes on a new meaning when our loved ones are there. God has wrapped his arms around both of them and said “job well done, let’s play bingo”.

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**marcia mellen** - January 30, 2015 at 12:00 AM

KB

“ I am so sorry to hear about Ceclia's death. I got to know her real well growing up when my Mom Theresa Rehn and her worked together at the church. I will never forget going and helping them clean and then my most fondest memory is going to her house at Christmas time for cookies and milk and she treated me like I was a an adult instead of a child which in my eyes was great She will be missed by lots of people But not she will be with Connie again I give all of you my Sympathy and don't forget to treasure the memories.  
Love,  
Karen (Rehn) Burkman

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**Karen (Rehn) Burkman** - January 30, 2015 at 12:00 AM

DW

“ *Debbie, Rose, Patty, and Connie, Sorry that I could not make it home for your mom's funeral but please know that you have been in my thoughts and prayers. You are so lucky to be sister's and that your family will go on. Love and prayers..Doreen Wilson*

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**Doreen Wilson** - January 30, 2015 at 12:00 AM

NC

“ *I AM SORRY FOR YOUR LOSS CECELIA WAS A WONDERFULL PERSON I WAS ABLE TO GET TO KNOW HER AND HER HUSBAND CONNIE OVER THE YEARS WHEN MY HUSBAND ERIC AND I BOUGHT OUR HOUSE NEXT TO THEM. THEY WERE WONDERFULL NEIGHBORS AND THE FIRST TO COME OVER AND WELCOME US TO THE NEIGHBORHOOD AND THEY BOTH WILL BE MISSED VERY MUCH AGAIN SORRY FOR YOUR LOSS THE FAMILY WILL REMAIN IN OUR PRAYERS DURING THIS HARD TIME*

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**NICHOLE CHRISMAN** - January 30, 2015 at 12:00 AM

LB

“ *I was very sorry to read that your mother had passed away. I will never forget that she continued to send me Christmas cards after I moved to lower Michigan. She was a very special lady. My condolences to the family.*

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**LuAnn Baker Buschmann** - January 30, 2015 at 12:00 AM

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“*Rose, Patti, Debbie, and Connie, I am sorry to hear of the loss of your mother. She was more than a mother to all of you, she was your best friend. Thank you for sharing the many memories of her and her beautiful home with me.*

*Sincerely,  
~Cynthia~*

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**Cynthia LaMont-Smith** - January 30, 2015 at 12:00 AM