



## Flora DeRidder

September 8, 1914 - April 19, 2011

FLORA DERIDDER NORWAY- Flora DeRidder age 96 of Norway, died Tuesday, April 19, 2011 at Pinecrest Medical Care Facility in Powers, Michigan. She was born on September 8, 1914 in Iron Mountain, the daughter of the late Vincenzo and Laurina (Corsi) Spera. Flora married Charles DeRidder on May 4, 1940 in Chicago, IL. he preceded her in death on September 23, 2007. Flora was a loving wife, mother, grandmother and great grandmother. She was very proud of her Italian heritage. She was an excellent cook, especially her Italian dishes. She loved the casino and enjoyed all the friends she made on the casino bus. In her younger years she worked as a cook at the Dickinson Co. Jail and also worked for a short time at Perfex in Kingsford. She was a member of St. Mary's Church in Norway, and the Altar Society. Flora loved watching the Green Bay Packers and Michigan State Basketball games. She is survived by her sons Richard (Rose Mary) DeRidder of Norway and Thomas (Shirley) DeRidder of Escanaba; grandchildren Dean (Barb) DeRidder of Iron Mountain, Dane (Kelly) DeRidder of Norway, Deanna (Tom) Christesen of Kingsford, Marc (Krista) DeRidder of Kimberly, WI., and Kari (Jim) Lacny of Zeeland; great grandchildren Nic, Dayna and Ben DeRidder, Maria, Zack and Rachel DeRidder, Annalise and Charlie Lacny, Charlie and Sam Christesen, Amanda Toretta and James DeBartolo; brother Alfred "Fritz" (Dorothy) Spera of Iron Mountain; many nieces and nephews; other relatives and many new nursing home friends. Flora was preceded in death by her brother James Spera and sisters Helen

Leonard, Ida DeBernardi, Dora Pietrantonio, Alice Engibous and Mary Larsen; nephew Donald Pietrantonio and niece Phyllis Phelke. Visitation will be held on Tuesday, April 26 from 9:00-11 a.m. at St. Mary's Church in Norway. The Mass of Christian Burial will be celebrated on Tuesday at 11 a.m. at St. Mary's Church with Fr. Timothy Ekaitis, presiding. Interment will follow at the Norway Township Cemetery.

# Tribute Wall

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“ *i am very sorry for the loss pf your mother. my prayers are with you and your family. dianne helgemo (rich)*

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**dianne helgemo rich** - January 30, 2015 at 12:00 AM

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“ *AUNTIE WILL BE GREATLY MISSED , OUR LOVE AND PRAYERS ARE WITH THE FAMILY .*

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**WILLIAM LANSU &FAMILY** - January 30, 2015 at 12:00 AM

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“ *My prayers & thoughts are with the family at this time. I have many great memories of visiting all my aunts & uncles over the years. God Bless! Joanie*

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**Joanie Engibous Caruso** - January 30, 2015 at 12:00 AM