



Louise Pauline Marta

May 20, 1933 - January 30, 2014

North Oaks, MN Louise P. Marta, 80 of Eagle River, MI died of lung cancer on Thursday, January 30th, 2014 at home in North Oaks, MN. Louise was born on May 20, 1933 at the family home in Kearsarge, MI, the daughter of Onni and Eva (Koski) Koopikka. She attended Wolverine grade school and graduated from Calumet High School, class of 1951. She worked as a secretary/stenographer for the FBI in Washington, D.C., Milwaukee, WI and Detroit, MI and later managed her own business of floral arrangements and interior decorations. She married John Marta on June 8, 1957 at Our Lady of the Pines church in Copper Harbor, MI. They resided in Michigan and Minnesota. She enjoyed tennis, alpine and cross-country skiing, camping, golf, and hiking. Louise was an avid sports fan, master gardener, and coached hockey. Rock collecting and polishing were a passion. Family and friends will miss her lively personal correspondence. A ready volunteer, she was active in her church, working on the Board and teaching religious classes; the PTA; League of Women Voters; and served as an election judge. She was a member and President of both the North Oaks Garden Club and the North Oaks Children's Hospital Guild II. Volunteer work was done for Stella del Nord (Oral history recording) and the Keweenaw County Historical Society. Her greatest attributes were her love of family and friends, strong moral beliefs, a great sense of humor, and being a friend for life. She personified SISU. Louise was a Yooper who relished the Copper Country of the upper peninsula of Michigan and its people. Surviving are her husband John Marta of Eagle

River, MI, son Michael (Teresa Budzynski) of White Bear Lake, MN, daughter Michele Maneri of Seattle, WA, daughter Lisa Marta of Scandia, MN, son David (Pamela Wikstrom) of White Bear Lake, grandchildren Michele and Louise Maneri, Joseph, Daniel and John Marta. Sister Kay Watson of Barryton, MI and brother-in-law Arthur Wheeler of Kearsarge, MI. Numerous nieces, nephews and cousins. The family thanks Judith Levitan, M.D., Minnesota Oncology staff, Abbott Northwestern Hospital staff, Heartland Hospice personnel (especially Cindy Olson) and night care givers Ellie, Sue and Alissa for their excellent and compassionate care. Visitation will be on Monday, February 3rd, 2014 from 4:00 to 8:00 p.m. at Holcomb-Henry-Boom-Purcell Funeral Home in Shoreview, MN. The funeral will be held at Incarnation Lutheran Church, 4880 Hodgson Rd. Shoreview, MN 55126 on Tuesday, February 4th, 2014 at 11:00 a.m. To view Louise's obituary or to send online condolences please visit HolcombHenryBoom.com. In lieu of other expressions of sympathy the family suggests memorials be given to the Keweenaw County Historical Society or charity of your preference. Burial will be in the spring in Lake View Cemetery, Calumet, MI

Tribute Wall

OA

“ *Omar Awad has sent this Expressions of Sympathy card.*

Omar Awad - February 25, 2014 at 12:00 AM

DA

“ *To the entire Marta family,
I was so sad to read of Louise's passing. I have so many memories of her in my childhood years. I lived next door to the house that the family would stay in during the summer months in Laurium, behind Marta's bakery. I chummed around with Michele, Michael and Lisa. A very beautiful woman, and a very sad passing. I so enjoyed visiting with her, and reminiscing, when she would come with Art to our annual Hospice Memorial Services.
My sincerest sympathy to you all.
Dottie (Wilks) Abe*

Dottie Abe - February 10, 2014 at 12:00 AM

PS

“ *Dear Jack and Family,*

I was very saddened by Louise`s passing and pray that God will be your strength during this very challenging time. She`ll be with you in all you do as you continue down your chosen path! Love, Pat

Patricia L. Stukel - February 04, 2014 at 12:00 AM

NB

“ Our deepest sympathy is extended to you and family, Jack, and also to sister, Kay, in the loss of Louise, a classmate, CHS "51, and a good friend. God bless you all.

Norma & Don Brusso - February 04, 2014 at 12:00 AM

KG

“ Jack & Family -
Our heartfelt Sympathy to all of you.
We did not know of Lou's illness and so it was a shock. Joyce & Louise were Calumet H.S. class mates and good friends - they were lunch room partners. Your loss is deeply felt by many of us.
We have lots of good memories to treasure!
Joyce & Ken

Ken & Joyce Gardner - February 03, 2014 at 12:00 AM

EB

“ Sending my heartfelt sympathy to all of you, the family of Louise.
May precious memories help you through this difficult time.

Enid

Enid Bessolo - February 03, 2014 at 12:00 AM

CN

“ My sympathy to all of Louise's family...especially, her sister Kay. My Grandma (Ami) Kauppi lived right next door to the Koopikka family in Kearsarge. I have many pleasant childhood memories of the whole family. I saw Louise a couple of years ago and she was as beautiful..inside
and out...as she always has been.

Carol Moilanen Nalepka - February 02, 2014 at 12:00 AM

KC

“ Jack:
Please accept our deepest and most sincere sympathy at this difficult time.
Keith, Kaye, and John Caserio

Keith Caserio - February 02, 2014 at 12:00 AM

DC

“ Our thoughts and sympathies are with you at this difficult time. Dane and Jill Christensen, Eagle River.

Dane Christensen - February 02, 2014 at 12:00 AM

JS

“ John (Jack), I was a classmate of Louise, class of '51 CHS. May God our Father and our Lord Jesus Christ give you comfort and peace as you mourn her passing into eternity.
I was from Mohawk.

John E Saari - February 01, 2014 at 12:00 AM

MC

“ My deepest sympathy to Jack ("Scruffy"), Michael, Michele, Lisa and David on your loss. I have so many fond memories of Louise ("Big Lou") from helping pick out my first suit for job interviews after college to kitchen conversations on Ridge Road to dinners, events and so much more. Remember that you will always have a special angel looking over you from heaven!

Mary Kay (Kunnari) Craig - February 01, 2014 at 12:00 AM

RB

“ *Jack & family,
Sorry to read of Louise's passing. We will miss seeing her at the
Summit this summer. Our deepest sympathy to you & your family.*

Ralph & Mary Ann Bammert - February 01, 2014 at 12:00 AM

KO

“ *Regret we cannot attend your local services.*

Louise's Obit from the funeral home is well done.

Keith and Claire Ojala - February 01, 2014 at 12:00 AM

PL

“ *We join with so many others who knew Louise in offering our
deepest condolences on her passing.*

*Lou was one of those wonderful human beings who was truly a 'life
enhancer'---smart, active, involved, positive and upbeat---yet, all the
while, a kind and gentle soul. We shall hold onto the happy
memories of the times we shared with her and are thankful for her
friendship.*

*Jack and family, our heartfelt condolences at the immeasurable loss
that you have suffered.*

Paul & Kathy LaVanway - February 01, 2014 at 12:00 AM

SR

“ Jack,

My deepest, deepest sympathy in the loss of your dear wife and best friend.

I was so saddened to hear of Louise's death. She was such a gracious lady, so full of life and caring for others. Our connection with our mothers meant a lot to me.

I was just thinking of you both this past week. Why I don't know, but God does.

My prayers are with you and your family.

God Bless,

Sue Suhonen Riedel

Susan Riedel - February 01, 2014 at 12:00 AM

DT

“ *My condolences to the entire Marta family. I hope it is a comfort to know she doesn't suffer any longer. You are all in my thoughts and prayers.*

Denny Thompson - February 01, 2014 at 12:00 AM

CF

“ *Jack and family, we want to express our deepest sympathy to you on the passing of Louise. We are presently in Honolulu and shocked by this news of her passing while reading the Gazette online this morning. She was one great lady and will be missed by a lot of people. May past memories of her help you during this difficult time. May God bless you and your family. Clarence and Yvonne Fisher*

Clarence and Yvonne Fisher - February 01, 2014 at 12:00 AM