



## Vergilene M. Schrader

March 9, 1923 - June 1, 2023

Vergilene M. (Bouche) Schrader, age 100 of Clare, passed away peacefully on Thursday, June 1, 2023 at the North Woods Nursing Center of Farwell. On March 9, 1923, Vergilene was born one of nine children to John and Cecile (Cook) Bouche on their family farm located in Vernon Township, just outside of Clare. She married Albert Myers in 1939 and they divorced several years later after having 5 children. In 1957, Vergilene was united in marriage to John Small, and together they enjoyed twenty-seven years of marriage until John's passing in 1984. In the late 80's, Vergilene married a longtime friend to both her and John, Arthur Schrader, and she survives him. Desiring to be closer to her family, Vergilene decided to move from her retirement home in Houghton Lake after forty-two years, back to the Clare area where she had resided for the last twelve years. In her younger years, Vergilene was an avid crocheter, sewer, and gardener. She also greatly enjoyed fishing and camping with family and her weekly "date night" to watch Lawrence Welk. Although, those that knew her best, knew that most of her time was usually spent playing any type of card game, or teaching her grandchildren and great-grandchildren how to play marbles—although it was best to keep an eye on her elusive rules that faired heavily in her favor.

Vergilene is survived by her daughter Mary Ann James (Jim Davis) of Clare, her brother Willis (Betty) Bouche of Clare, her eleven grandchildren, her many great and great-great grandchildren, and her multitude of cherished nieces and nephews who knew her as "Aunt Pug". Vergilene was preceded in

death by her parents John and Cecile Bouchey, her husband John Small, and husband Arthur Schrader, her children John Myers, Kent Myers, Sandra Rich, and Caroline Alexander, and her siblings Clifton Bouchey, Charlotte Livingston, Lida Myers, Janet Simuea, Jack Bouchey, Ilene Caulkins, and infant brother Lewis Bouchey.

A memorial service in honor of Vergilene will take place on Friday, June 9, 2023, at 11:30 A.M. at the Clare Chapel of the Stephenson-Wyman Funeral Home with Pastor Jeff Englehart officiating. Friends may visit with Vergilene's family on Friday from 10:00 A.M until the time of service at 11:30. Vergilene's final place of rest will be in the Denver Township Cemetery, along side John Small. Memorial contributions in honor of Vergilene may be directed to the North Woods Nursing Center's memorial garden. For those unable to attend services, online contributions may be shared at [www.stephenson-wyman.com](http://www.stephenson-wyman.com)

# Cemetery Details

## Denver Twp. Cemetery

Rosebush, MI

# Previous Events

## Visitation

JUN 9. 10:00 AM - 11:30 AM (ET)

Stephenson - Wyman Funeral Home (Clare)  
1005 North McEwan St.  
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## Celebration of Life

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# Tribute Wall

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“ One year has come and gone and I miss you terribly, love you forever Grand ma ma!!

Shawn Mary Caudillo - June 02, 2024 at 08:44 PM



“ Emerald Garden Basket was purchased for the family of Vergilene M. Schrader.



June 07, 2023 at 11:16 PM

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“ My heart hurts but I'm rejoicing that My Grandma is with her family and friends that have gone before her, I remember going to Grandma's and she would have a cookie tin that was hidden ( I think she hid it from Grandpa lol and she would make the best bologna sandwiches ( I don't even like bologna, but her sandwiches were yum) also many years ago we were at a gathering and I said Grandma you're going to live to be 100 in my feisty grandma words Shawn Mary if I live to be 100 I'll kick your A!, I got to see her 2 weeks prior to her going home, I'll forever hold the memories in my heart especially the marble rules in her favor, RIP Grandma you lived a long life, and as your great grandson said You're a legend!



Shawn Mary Damm - June 05, 2023 at 10:12 AM

MM

*My heart is sad that I won't be able to talk to gma anymore but I am at peace knowing she is resting comfortable 😔 she has lived a long journey for sure I am going to miss her so much. I remember Kenny Jr n I driving up to Houghton lake to visit when jonn was just a baby. We would talk n catch up but gma was so fascinated with jonn crawling around her house. We love u always gma rest with ur family now 💙*

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**Melissa R Myers** - June 05, 2023 at 03:31 PM

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*May she R.I.P an enjoy her reunion with her family and friends on the golden streets of heaven.  
I grew neighbors to the Bouchey family they were amazing neighbors*

*Chuck Shayler*

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**Charles L. Shayler** - June 05, 2023 at 08:50 PM