



Allan Pavlat

November 6, 2009

KINGSFORD - Allan John "Jack" Pavlat, 84, of 304 Birch St. in Kingsford, passed away on Friday, Nov. 6, 2009, at Maryhill Manor in Niagara.

He was born on Sept. 21, 1925, in Iron Mountain, the son of the late John and Ann (Orlosky) Pavlat. He was raised by a special aunt and uncle, the late Margaret and Allen LaBrook.

Jack was a 1943 graduate of Iron Mountain High School and served with the United States Army Air Corps from 1943-46 as a teletype operator in New Guinea and the Philippines during World War II.

He married the former Frances Sudac on May 26, 1956, in Kingsford and she preceded him in death on Dec. 16, 2001.

Jack worked for the state of Michigan as a food inspector until his retirement in 1988. He was a member of American Martyrs Catholic Church and the Carpenter-Clash American Legion Post 363. Jack was an active volunteer for the Breen Senior Center, where he often enjoyed lunch with his friends and played piano to entertain everyone.

He enjoyed deer hunting, coin collecting, woodworking, and playing the organ. His camp was his home away from home.

Jack is survived by his three children, Perrie (Donald) VanPembrook of Aurora Wis., Michael (Tammy) Pavlat of Iron Mountain, and Ann (Michael) Green of Carmel, Ind.; grandchildren, Amanda and Molly Pavlat, and James, Mary, John Paul and Joseph Green; great-grandchildren, Ethan and Cassidy Degenauer; his brother, Norbert Pavlat of Green Bay, Wis. and sisters, Gloria Pavlat Polazzo of Appleton, Wis. and Shirley Pavlat Leader of Lincolnwood, Ill.

In addition to his parents and his wife, he was preceded in death by a granddaughter, Brandy VanPembrook Wright, and his sister, Janet Pavlat Richter.

Visitation will be Wednesday from 9 a.m. to 10 a.m. at American Martyrs Church in Kingsford.

Funeral services will be Wednesday at 10 a.m. at the church. Fr. Joseph Gouin will offer a memorial Mass.

Burial will be in Cemetery Park.

In lieu of flowers, a memorial will be established in his memory.

Condolences may be expressed to the family of Allan "Jack" Pavlat online at www.ernashfuneralhomes.com

The family has entrusted the Erickson-Rochon & Nash Funeral Home with the arrangements.

Tribute Wall

CP

“ Perrie,

I'm so sorry to hear about your dad. I still remember him from when we were growing up. It's been a long time since we camped out on the corner of Breen & Birch & roamed the neighborhood all night! Please know your family has been & my prayers & will remain there. May you find Peace & Comfort. Chris (Hanson) Paoletti

Christine Hanson Paoletti - November 11, 2009 at 12:00 AM

GT

“ *I'm truly saddened by Jack's passing. To me, Jack was a co-worker who trained me, guided me, and in general mentored me during my early years in the Food Div. He was always full of life and the stories he could tell! Even after all these years, I still run into store owners who remember and ask about Jack. He was a truly memorable man and I'll miss him. My prayers are with you.*

Gary Titus - November 10, 2009 at 12:00 AM

MS

“ I met Jack this summer when I parked in his yard to get to the rummage sale next door. It was a beautiful warm, sunny day and I had the top down on my convertible and he came out and asked "who parked this hot car on my lawn?" I fessed up and went over to him and apologized and said he said dont apologize you made my day. He then asked me about the car and about myself. He just loved the car and wanted a ride and he told me he was just in awe that he walked out his back door and there was this shiny silver convertible with shiny chrome rims that he could not get over, he said he felt like a million bucks and thought he won the lottery. I could not stop laughing nor could the girls next door. He was serious and I offered him the keys and told him to take it for a spin, then he got all shy and told me he couldn't because he was afraid he would scratch it. He was such a nice man and I talked to him for over an hour that day. Turned out Jack was like talking to living history, he knew more about my family history than I did. He told me some great stories about my grandpa & grandma Floriano and their kids including my dad growing up. They ran the Coast to Coast hardware store near his home. I picked up the phone and called my dad to tell him who I just met and handed over the phone and they were able to catch up on old times. That was the only time I had met Jack but he had such an impact on my that day and I will always remember him. I am truly sorry for your loss

Michelle (Floriano) Schneider - November 10, 2009 at 12:00 AM

JL

“ Sorry to hear about your father Perry. What a rough year for many of us. My thoughts are with you.

jenni lindstrom - November 10, 2009 at 12:00 AM

PS

“ I am so sorry to hear of Uncle Jack's passing. He was always my favorite uncle and will be greatly missed. My thoughts and prayers to all of you.

Paula Stanek - November 10, 2009 at 12:00 AM

KK

“ So sorry to hear of the passing of Jack. He was such a good neighbor for so many years. The grandkids just loved him. Could not wait for Jack to come everyday with his hand full of candy. We are hoping to run over to the church for the veiwing. Our thoughts are with you.

Kris &Jean Koski - November 09, 2009 at 12:00 AM

SM

“ Perry, Mike and Ann,

It is so sad to hear of your Dad's passing. He was our family 'Friend' since we met him years ago. He and Charlie would sit for hours going through rolls of coins, looking to find that special one. He was one Special Man. And he will be definitely missed. Our thoughts and prayers are with all of you.

Love,

Sandie and Charlie Mitchem

Sandie and Charlie Mitchem - November 09, 2009 at 12:00 AM

RU

“ Uncle Jack,

Anna and I will miss you! Your humor, wit, and stories of the Grand Parents...fun times, will greatly be missed!! He was certainly one of a kind and I will always greatly admire him! Our thoughts and prayers are with you and the family.

Robert S. Uren - November 09, 2009 at 12:00 AM