



Amos Marston

December 29, 2003

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IRON MOUNTAIN - Amos Wilbur Marston, 96, of 903 Park Ave., Iron Mountain, died early Friday, Dec. 27, 2002, at home in his sleep. He was born July 8, 1906 in Chicago. After graduating from high school in Wheaton, Ill., he attended Wheaton College where he received his bachelor's degree in 1928. He began teaching high school that year in Channing, where he also coached football, basketball and baseball. He completed a master's degree in school administration at Columbia University in New York in 1931. He taught school in Leland, lower Michigan, for one year before returning to Channing in 1933 as superintendent of schools. He began teaching junior high school in Iron Mountain in 1940. He entered the U.S. Army in 1942 at the time of World War II. He served 3 1/2 years, including six months in the European Theater. He married the former Lucy Carleton Wilds of Oxford, Miss. in November, 1945. He returned to Iron Mountain as principal of the junior high school. Over the years, he assumed various teaching and administrative positions in the Iron Mountain school system, and he became the principal of East Elementary School in 1963. He coached tennis and was a lifelong enthusiast of the sport. He retired in 1972. He was a devoted member of Immanuel Baptist Church in Kingsford. He was also an active member of the Iron Mountain Rotary Club and the Gideons. He did volunteer work in the Dickinson County prisons and, with his wife, conducted volunteer religious services for many years at Highland Nursing Home and Manor Care

Nursing Home.

He was preceded in death by a sister, Marion Corwin; and three brothers, George Marston, Edwin Marston, and Arthur Marston.

He is survived by his wife, Lucy Marston; one daughter, Mem (Bill) Lloyd of St. Paul, Minn.; four sons, Walter (Susan) Marston of Grand Rapids, lower Michigan, John Marston of Mexico City, Mexico, James Marston of Iron Mountain, and Samuel (Heidi) Marston of Severn, Md.; seven grandchildren, Katie, Laura, and John Marston, Bill and Michael Lloyd, Logan and Ethan Marston; and many nieces and nephews.

Visitation will be from 3 p.m. to 6 p.m. Sunday at the Erickson-Rochon & Nash Funeral Home in Iron Mountain and on Monday, from noon until 1 p.m., at the Immanuel Baptist Church in Kingsford. Funeral services will be held at 1 p.m. Monday at the church. Rev. Ron Wolfe and Rev. James Danielson will officiate. Burial will be in the Iron Mountain Cemetery Park. A memorial will be established at the Immanuel Baptist Church in his memory.

Condolences may be expressed on-line to the Marston family at www.ernashfuneralhomes.com

The family has entrusted the arrangements to the Erickson-Rochon & Nash Funeral Home in Iron Mountain.

Tribute Wall

MP

“ To the Marsten family We are so sorry to hear about the loss of your husband, father..He was my principle at East El. in 1961.He was also a friend of my fathers.(Harry Julian)May god bless you all, and god be with you always.

Maureen@Charles Pasten - May 29, 2003 at 12:00 AM

EC

“ I went to East Elementary School and remember Mr. Marston with fond memories. I remember him as a principal with a gentle spirit. He loved the children and we loved him! Our sympathies to his family.

The Styberski Kids--Ellen, Steve & Debbie

Ellen Styberski Coogan - March 17, 2003 at 12:00 AM

JB

“ Our deepest sympathy to the Marston family. We grew to love and appreciate Amos in the Gideons, when we were in the Gideon camp with the Marstons. What loyalty both Amos and Lucy had to the Gideons and God will surely bless them for all that they have done in the Gideon ministry. Sincerely, Jim & Ruth Brandt

Jim & Ruth Brandt - March 17, 2003 at 12:00 AM

JN

“ What a wonderful example Amos was to all that knew him. Our condolences to you & family

Jim & Lorene Nelson - March 17, 2003 at 12:00 AM

AK

“ My deepest sympathy to you, Lucy, and your family. Amos was truly one of the people that I respected and enjoyed. Working with him at East was a pleasure and his balanced support of the schools programs was appreciated. His love of sports did not numb his feelings for the arts. I remember him with fondness.

Andrew J. Knopps - March 17, 2003 at 12:00 AM

MA

“ I was sorry to read of the Marston family loss. He had a very positive influence on me and I remember him fondly from both East Elementary and from the Cub Scouts. I moved from Iron Mountain in 1970, and the hadn't been back for years until my mother's death in 1996. I walked around the East side and passed the Marston home on Park Ave. It made me remember the massive hugs I used to get from Jimmy everytime I was near. I was glad to see the tennis courts named for him.

My condolences to the entire family, and hi to you Sam.

Mark Anderson - March 17, 2003 at 12:00 AM

PE

“ I am very sorry to here about Amos. He was a wonderful role model to the children in the Iron Mountain Public Schools for many years. My father also spoke very highly of him. Please accept my condolences. My parayers are with all of you. Amos will be missed.

Pat Mahlberg Erickson - March 17, 2003 at 12:00 AM

BN

“ Please accept my sincere sympathy.
(Class of '55) Bonnie Pearson

Bonnie Pearson Neher - March 17, 2003 at 12:00 AM

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“ Our deepest sympathy in the loss of your loved one. Mr. Marston was our junior high principal and taught civics to Bob. He expected alot from his students but truly loved young people. Bob became a teacher and principal and I became a nurse. He was a positive influence in our lives and we wanted to share that with you

Martha and Bob Schinderle (Nicholls)o - March 17, 2003 at 12:00 AM

JB

“ My thoughts and my prayers go out to the entire Marston family. I have known them all my whole life. Amos and Lucy came to my home in the middle of the night on February 21st 1984, the night my mother past away unexpectedly. I have never forgot how much that helped me get through such a thing at such a young age. I will miss Amos as will every other person who ever knew him. I am a much better person today because of both Amos and Lucy Marston's influence. God Bless You Lucy. I know that you are comforted by knowing that your Amos is now with our Lord.
Love forever, Jo-Ellen J Basso

JoEllen Basso - March 17, 2003 at 12:00 AM

SG

“ Dear Lucy and Family,

So sorry to hear about Amos. He was an outstanding individual. Many children and adults have played on the "Amos Marston" tennis courts. Amos had strung my tennis racquets many times. His love for the game was truly shown.
Our prayers are with you.

Love,
SUE GRABER

Sue (Tirschel) Graber - March 17, 2003 at 12:00 AM

GK

“ When we learn the loss of someone so special, sadness comes to all. May our deepest sympathy and prayers lighten the pain to his family and friends.

Gary & Debbie Koenig - March 17, 2003 at 12:00 AM

J"

“ Those of us who went through the Iron Mountain School system during the years Amos was one of our educators, remember his dedication to all of the students. He will always be in my memory! My sympathy to his loving family!

Joe Santini(Class of "1955" - March 17, 2003 at 12:00 AM

WS

“ My best wishes to the Marston family.
I appreciate the large contribution made by Amos Marston to the Iron Mountain area.

Warren Solom, Plymouth , Minnesota

Warren Solom - March 17, 2003 at 12:00 AM

CP

“ *My sympathy is extended to the family of Amos Marston. Mr. Marston's biggest influence on my life was as my tennis coach. My partner, Martin Anderson, and I played doubles and did quite well. In fact the whole team did quite well during our junior year. My fondest memory of Mr. Marston is that Marty and I could NEVER defeat Mr. Marston and Mr. Rocheleau in doubles. They were just so "foxy." Not overpowering but they could put every shot exactly where they wanted it. And, of course, our (or more particularly, my) youthful exuberance fell right into their trap and ended up beating myself. Still, it was fun. Once again my sympathy to all the family.*

*Charles E. Peruchini
IMHS 1956 (and East B Street)
Now of Los Angeles, CA*

Charles E. Peruchini - March 17, 2003 at 12:00 AM