



## Andrew Berlinski,

October 23, 2007

KINGSFORD - Andrew "Andy" Berlinski Jr., 61, of Kingsford, died Tuesday, Oct. 23, 2007, in Marshfield, Wis.

He was born on Nov. 14, 1945, in San Francisco, son of Helen (Alquist) Berlinski and the late Andrew Berlinski Sr. He was a lifelong resident of this area and graduated from Kingsford High School in 1963. He enlisted in the United States Air Force during the Vietnam War.

Andy married Susan Hosking on Dec. 2, 1967, by Fr. Joseph Gouin at the American Martyrs Catholic Church in Kingsford.

He worked as the manager of the Iron Mountain-Kingsford Credit Union until his early retirement due to a disability. He was a member of the Carpenter-Clash American Legion Post 363, the Disabled American Veterans (DAV), and the Spread Eagle Golf Course. Andy was an avid golfer and enjoyed woodworking. His children and grandchildren were the center of his life. For many years he coached Little League and soccer. He was an avid sports fan, and enjoyed watching his kids and grandkids.

Andy fought a long and courageous battle with his many health issues. He was an inspiration to all who had the privilege of knowing him.

Andy is survived by his wife, Susan; his mother, Helen Berlinski of Quinnesec; two children; Brenda (Ken) Wood of Kingsford and Michael (Michelle) Berlinski of Chicago; five brothers, Dick (Cindy) Berlinski of Kingsford, Jim Berlinski of Arizona, Tom (Diane) Berlinski of Gladstone, Steve Berlinski of St. Louis, Mo., and Pat (Jennifer) Berlinski of Iron River; one sister, Anne Cahee (Bruce Rutter) of Kingsford; mother-in-law and father-in-law, Tom and Leona Hosking of Kingsford; and six grandchildren, Matthew Wood, Ashley Berlinski, Tayler Berlinski, Darren Wood, Justin Berlinski and Zachary Wood.

He was preceded in death by his father, Andrew Berlinski Sr. and an infant sister, Susan Berlinski

Visitation will be Saturday from 9 a.m. to 11 a.m. at American Martyrs Catholic Church.

The funeral service will follow at 11 a.m. at the church. Fr. Joseph Gouin will offer the Mass of Christian Burial.

Burial will be in Cemetery Park in Iron Mountain.

Pallbearers will be Matthew Wood, Greg "Chip" Anderson, Bob Hosking, DuWayne Hosking, Tom Berlinski, and Mike Pini. Honorary pallbearers will be Charles Novara, Gary Davidson, Florin Mileski and Dave McMahan.

In lieu of flowers, memorials may be made to Northwoods Airlifeline or the Heroes Donor Foundation Chtd.

Condolences may be expressed on line to the family of Andy Berlinski at [www.ernashfuneralhomes.com](http://www.ernashfuneralhomes.com)

The family has entrusted the Erickson-Rochon & Nash Funeral Home of Iron

Mountain with the arrangements.

# Tribute Wall

KS

“ *My prayers go out to the family of Andy Berlinski. May each of you always cherish those memories that are unique to you and your special place that you held in each others life. I remember Andy as a kind, caring person and a fun classmate. He will be missed by those many lives he touched and paths he crossed.*

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**Kathy (Lange) Sheehy** - November 06, 2007 at 12:00 AM

AF

“ *I remember a time when I was younger, camping with the Berlinskis'at Jellystone. Us kids would go off on scavenger hunts, make crafts, and decorate ourselves with cray paper for the big parade--LOL. The adults would hang out at the campsight playing cards and enjoying one-another's company. I also remember my mom and dad going to the Annual Berlinski Halloween Party. They sure had a great time at those parties! Those memories with the Berlinski Family will never be forgotten.*

*My sincere condolences go out to all of you! I know how hard it is to lose someone you love so much! My prayers are with you.*

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**Angela LeClaire Ferrell** - October 29, 2007 at 12:00 AM

MK

“ *I am so sorry to hear of Andy's passing. My thoughts and prayers go out to Sue, Brenda, and Mike. It's been years since I've seen you, but I have many, many fond memories of your family from my childhood in Kingsford!*

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**Missy (Mitchem) Kairis** - October 29, 2007 at 12:00 AM

MH

“ Our deepest sympathy to the entire family. You are all in our thoughts and prayers and we hope you can find some comfort in these difficult times. - Marc and Jan Hoskins, Minneapolis MN

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**Marc & Jan Hoskins** - October 28, 2007 at 12:00 AM

VW

“ I would like to send my sincere condolences to Susan and all of Andy's family.  
I have so many good memories of our times together at KHS. It was so good to see Andy at the last class reunion. He was always a good friend, and visiting with him and sharing old memories was a blessing.  
I pray that the Lord will comfort you in this time of loss.

*In sympathy,*

*Valeria Nowak Weinert*

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**Valeria Nowak Weinert** - October 28, 2007 at 12:00 AM

RM

“ We were very sorry to hear that Andy had passed away. He was such a wonderful and giving man. Our prayers are with you.  
Rick & Marilyn Maier  
Savannah, GA

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**Rick & Marilyn Maier** - October 26, 2007 at 12:00 AM

ML

“ My sympathy to Susan and Andy's children. It was so sad to hear of Andy's passing. He was such a big part of my growing up and high school years. Andy will be missed. At our last class reunion he looked so well and said he was feeling better. I know Andy's health has been a struggle for him over the years. May God grant him the peace he so richly deserved. Please extend my sympathy and a big hug to Andy's mom. It is so hard to lose a child. I remember spending a Birthday with Andy's family. Everyone took a candle off the cake, one at a time and made a wish out loud for the birthday person....then relit the candle and placed it back on the cake for the birthday person to make a wish. I was so impressed and thought that was such a wonderful family tradition.....I haven't thought about that for a long time but it really made quite an impression on me. Andy and his entire family will be in my thoughts and prayers. May God grant all of you the grace to deal with your loss. Much aloha,  
Margo Lynn

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**Margo (Margaret Samsa) Lynn** - October 26, 2007 at 12:00 AM