



Biaggio Colavecchi

December 10, 1924 - July 11, 2016

Biaggio Colavecchi, 91 of Kingsford, passed away on Monday, July 11, 2016 at HCR Manorcare in Kingsford. He was born on December 10, 1924 in Iron Mountain, son of the late Ambrogio and Adele (Dennocenzio) Colavecchi. He attended the Iron Mountain schools before enlisting in the United States Army. Upon being honorably discharged from the Army, Biaggio returned home and went to work for Wisconsin Electric. He was a very loyal and hardworking employee, spending many of his years working at the Way Dam power plant as a hydro-electrical engineer, until he retired in 1988. He married Betty Hoaglund in Kingsford on June 24, 1963, and they recently celebrated their 53rd wedding anniversary.

Jazz music was a true passion for Biaggio. He played jazz accordion from the age of 8 until well into his eighties. Whether it was playing in his living room for family or on stage at a night club or casino, he was a true entertainer. He spent his life traveling and playing jazz accordion to the delight of all who heard him. He also loved spending time in the company of his family and friends.

Biaggio is survived by his loving wife, Betty Colavecchi of Kingsford; his children, Frank (Margaret) Colavecchi of Elsie, Michigan, Paul Colavecchi of Iron Mountain, and Tammy Colavecchi (Kevin McGeen) of Milwaukee, Wisconsin; four grandchildren Chris Colavecchi, Kevin Colavecchi, Angela

Mabie, Tony Colavecchi; and 5 great grandchildren.

He was preceded in death by his parents, 3 brothers and a sister.

The visitation will be held on Thursday, July 14, 2016 from 11:00 am to 1:00 pm at the Erickson-Rochon and Nash Funeral Home in Iron Mountain. The Funeral Service will follow at 1:00 pm at the funeral home. Rev. Walter Reichle will officiate. Burial will be in Iron Mountain Cemetery Park.

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

Condolences to the family of Biaggio Colavecchi may be expressed online at www.ernashfuneralhomes.com

The family has entrusted the Erickson-Rochon and Nash Funeral Home of Iron Mountain with the funeral arrangements.

Cemetery Details

Cemetery Park

Cedar Ave
Iron Mountain, MI 49801

Previous Events

Visitation

JUL 14. 11:00 AM - 1:00 PM (CT)

Erickson-Rochon and Nash Funeral Home
901 Carpenter Ave.
Iron Mountain, MI 49801

Funeral Service

JUL 14. 1:00 PM (CT)

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Tribute Wall

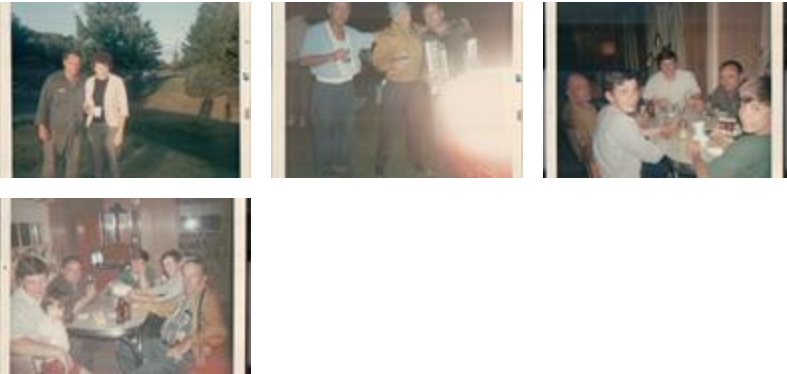
LB

“ I am so sorry to hear of Biaggio's passing! I remember how proud he was when you and Kevin were married. So many stories you had shared. Sending you love and prayers!

Linda Von De Bur - July 22, 2016 at 11:32 PM



“ 4 files added to the album *New Album Name*



Denny Hoelzer - July 16, 2016 at 04:29 PM

SS

“ Sorry to hear of your fathers passing...May you find peace and comfort in Gods words during this difficult time...Steve and Rose Wilcox

Steve Wilcox Sr. - July 16, 2016 at 08:25 AM

Angela
Mabie

“ *Angela Mabie lit a candle in memory of Biaggio Colavecchi*



Angela Mabie - July 13, 2016 at 09:42 PM



“ *Crystal Cross Bouquet was purchased for the family of Biaggio Colavecchi.*



July 13, 2016 at 08:13 PM



“ *Loving Lilies and Roses Bouquet was purchased for the family of Biaggio Colavecchi.*



July 13, 2016 at 04:57 PM



“ *Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum was purchased for the family of Biaggio Colavecchi.*



July 13, 2016 at 04:14 PM

BD

“ I'm very sorry to hear of your dads passing Frank. Although I never got to know him your stories and memories you shared of him made me feel that I had. It's very hard to loose a father. My thoughts and prayers are with you Maggie , Angie Chris and Tony and your entire family. May you all find peace during this difficult time

Bob duBois - July 13, 2016 at 02:36 PM

ND

“ Biag brought much joy to so many through his music during his life. I always remember walking into the Dells in Escanaba for our Christmas party and hearing this wonderful music. I turned the corner and it was your dad! What a wonderful musician he was and I always got such a kick out of seeng him. Pete and I send you all our love and prayers and that God bless you with comfort this week.
Nancy

Nancy Denman - July 13, 2016 at 01:07 PM



“ Denny Hoelzer purchased the Peaceful White Lilies Basket for the family of Biaggio Colavecchi.



Denny Hoelzer - July 13, 2016 at 12:28 PM



“ *Rest in Peace Biaggio. You entertained us many a night in the living room of your home at Way Dam. My Dad enjoyed drinking a few Bosch beers with you along the way. I remember all the way from when I was an early teen in the 60's to after I was married and my wife got to enjoy your brilliant music. I also remember all the German Shepard's. They all invariably had pretty much the same name with Rin Tin Tin being a part of the name. I had the privilege of going out with Biaggio on his rounds to all the power plants in the southern UP and learned a ton about hydro and electricity in general. Haven't seen him in years, but my memories are crystal clear. Great guy, hard worker, awesome musician.*

Denny Hoelzer & Family...Part time residents of Way Dam Road.

Denny Hoelzer - July 13, 2016 at 11:25 AM



“ *Beautiful in Blue was purchased for the family of Biaggio Colavecchi.*



July 13, 2016 at 09:37 AM