



Brian Finendale

March 11, 1963 - March 11, 2010

FELCH - Brian K. Finendale, 47, of W5841 Six Mile Lake Road in Felch, passed away on Thursday, March 11, 2010, at his home.

Brian was born Nov. 11, 1962, in Iron Mountain, the son of Kenneth and Mary (Will) Finendale. He was a 1981 graduate of Iron Mountain High School and went on to attend Ferris State University for two years.

Brian worked in the family business, City Sales in Iron Mountain, and took over ownership in 2001.

He loved music and knew many songs and artists, especially from the 70s and 80s. He enjoyed cooking and was famous for his BBQ ribs. Brian also enjoyed going to camp, cutting firewood, and hosting the Thursday night card club. He enjoyed many trips to the casino and Las Vegas with his friends.

Brian loved riding his motorcycle, four-wheeling and he enjoyed taking rides with his best friend and father, Ken. He was a loving, kind, and generous man, and he will be dearly missed by his family and friends.

Brian is survived by his parents, Kenneth and Mary Finendale of Felch; one son, Andy Finendale of Kingsford; one daughter, Bailey Finendale (Jim Erickson) of Alpha; brother, Scott (Kathleen) Finendale of Swartz Creek,

Mich.; sister, Donna (Rich) Roberts of Iron Mountain; his high school sweetheart, Kristen Engquist; many aunts, uncles and cousins; and his three dogs, Sadie, Liberty and Greta.

He was preceded in death by his brother, Perry Finendale.

Visitation will be Monday from 3 p.m. to 6 p.m. at the Erickson-Rochon & Nash Funeral Home in Iron Mountain.

The funeral service will follow at 6 p.m. at the funeral home. Rev. Bill Jacobson will officiate.

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 Brian K. Finendale online at www.ernashfuneralhomes.com

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

Tribute Wall

SA

“ *Stephanie Ackles lit a candle in memory of Brian Finendale*



stephanie Ackles - February 28, 2025 at 08:32 AM

NY

“ *I was Brian's wife of 21 years. He was a wonderful Husband and Father. We had many great years together. Not a day goes by that I don't think of the years of marriage that we had together. With the ups and downs that life brought us, he was understanding and supportive. and always had the right answer to the problem. I could not have asked for a better Father for our children. Although, our years together ended like so many marriages in these times, he was still supportive and helpful to the kids and myself. If ever I needed advice or help with anything, he was still there for me. We miss him more than anyone can imagine.*

His children managed through their first Fathers Day, with out him. It was a long agonizing day. He was missed so terribly. We just hope and pray that as time passes, we can be relieved of some of the heartache and pain that we are feeling now without him.

He is forever in our hearts.

Nancy Finendale - Kingsford, MI - Brian's Wife of 21 years - June 29, 2010 at 12:00 AM

GG

“ Nancy and family, Our thoughts and prayers are with you in your time of greif. May you find comfort in your friends and family. Gene and Michelle Gendron

Gene Gendron - March 17, 2010 at 12:00 AM

AR

“ Bailey and Andy, we are so sorry to hear of your loss. Seek comfort in God and remember good times with your dad. Time won't heal your pain, but it will rid you of tears and give you the ability to laugh at the memories. You are in our thoughts and prayers.
-Abbey Rihtarshick, Kelly VanOss, Caroline Rihtarshick and family

Abbey Rihtarshick - March 17, 2010 at 12:00 AM

CG

“ Dear Bailey, Andy and Nancy

We all cried, when we heard that Brian had passed away. We met him for only a few minutes, but we know that he meant a lot for Sara, when she lived with you in Felch. You are all so much in our thoughts.

With love from
Sara, Sune, Ole and Conny Gunder, Denmark

Conny Gunder - March 16, 2010 at 12:00 AM

DA

“ We were all so sad to hear of Brian's passing at our agency, the Finendale family have been wonderful customers to our agency for many many years. We will miss his smiling face every time he came in to our office. Our prayers and thoughts are with you all at this difficult time.

Danielson Insurance Agency - March 16, 2010 at 12:00 AM

KB

“ I am so sorry to hear of Brian's passing. My dad always had kind words to say about Brian. He considered him a good friend. You are in my thoughts and prayers. I have a quote that I would like to share with you in your time of sorrow. "To live in hearts we leave behind Is not to die" - Thomas Campbell.

Kevin Braspenickx - March 16, 2010 at 12:00 AM

BM

“ Nancy, Andy, and Bailey, I'm very sad to hear about Brian's passing. May God give you strength at this difficult time. My prayers are with you and the family. Babe Magnus

Babe Magnus - March 16, 2010 at 12:00 AM

AS

“ Dear Uncle Kenny & Auntie Mitzi and family, we were so shocked to hear of our cousin Brian's passing. We will keep you all in our prayers. With much Aloha, Alan and Nancy

Alan & Nancy Stafford - March 15, 2010 at 12:00 AM

KH

“ Dear friends, Ken, Mitzi, Donna, Rich & family; our hearts are aching for you and your families. As we cannot find the words to express our sympathy, you will be in our daily prayers. Brian was such a special person; his kindness & sincerity will rekindle fond thoughts & memories often. We pray that the love and concern of those that truly care will help you through this very difficult time. Love & Prayers, Bill, Karlene & family

Karlene & Bill Hall - March 15, 2010 at 12:00 AM

CW

“ Kristen, My heart aches...I have no words. You and Brian's family are in my prayers. Take comfort in one another. I can't be there with you, but I am sending all the hugs and love I can. I am so very sorry.
Cathie Weaver

Cathie Weaver - March 15, 2010 at 12:00 AM

PL

“ Kathleen and Scott,

We are so deeply sorry for your loss. We love you and are here for you - always.
Peggy

Peggy Lawrence - March 15, 2010 at 12:00 AM

DC

“ Nancy, we grieve with you for your loss. Although you both sought separate paths after twenty-one years of marriage, the bond you built over the years lasts forever.
Andy and Bailey, no words can comfort you for the loss of your father but Aunt Patsy, Grandpa Ralph, Uncle Glen and I are here if you need a shoulder to cry on, a hand to hold or just a quiet place to reflect and gain strength.

Love Patsy and Dave Carnahan

Dave Carnahan - March 15, 2010 at 12:00 AM

PJ

“ Dear Bailey,
I am so sorry for the loss of your dad, you and your family are in my prayers.Mrs Paula Johnson

Paula Johnson - March 15, 2010 at 12:00 AM

LG

“ Kristen, as so many have commented, I have never seen you happier than when you spoke of Brian. I feel fortunate to have met him this past Halloween and see firsthand the love you two share. There are no words that can adequately describe the pain I feel for you and the kids. Please do not hesitate to call if you need anything. Our door is always open to you and your family.

Lisa Grams - March 15, 2010 at 12:00 AM

MF

“ Dear Finedale Family
We are so sorry for your loss, Brian and I were friends in school, and I spent many hours with him, our favorite class was Auto Mech. He was a good person to know and will be sadly missed. You's are all in our prayers.....God Bless...

Mr. & Mrs. Steven cheney and Family - March 15, 2010 at 12:00 AM

PS

“ I was so saddened when I heard of Brian's passing. I went to School for many years with Brian, I remember him as a kind and giving person. I would say anyone who met or knew Brian were better because of it. He will be missed. My prayers will be with his family.

Paul Simone - March 15, 2010 at 12:00 AM

LH

“ A brief moment in my life allowed me to meet Brian who I have come to know through his love of a life time KM. Having conversations with her and seeing the love light in her eyes allowed me to see the meaning in their relationship was very strong and so good. I gathered in-sight in those conversations, they created thoughts and knowledge that enlightened me to understand how wonderful and loving he was. I learned he was always kind and giving with putting others first before himself. Even though I personally did not have the privilege of his giving grace only a brief moment of introduction, I feel very lucky to be able to take the knowledge of this fine person with me in my life journey. If a person travels this whole world and is able to meet someone like Brian they should count their blessings everyday. He was a gift to many and will stay in our hearts one way or another. (Love you KM) A wish for peace for his family and friends. With that peace the knowledge that Brian made differences in so many others lives that are life changing. Laurie

Laurie Hetland - March 14, 2010 at 12:00 AM

PL

“ I can not begin to express my sorrow in words. Ken, Mitsy, and to all of Brians family, I am Praying for each and everyone of you at this very difficult time. Brian was not just my employer and boss, but also a very dear friend. I feel honored and privileged to have had the opportunity to work for and with him. Brian was always there for me when I needed help with anything. I will miss him so very very much! Pete LaValley and family.

pete Lavalley - March 14, 2010 at 12:00 AM

KT

“ I am a friend of Kristen's and had an opportunity to meet Brian briefly. I did not know him personally but I do know he made Kristen very happy and brought much love into her life. For that I am eternally grateful. God Bless you in your time of sorrow. Karen

Karen Tetzlaff - March 14, 2010 at 12:00 AM

WM

“ Ken and Mary We are so sorry to read of the loss of your son. May the good Lord grant you peace. Our prayers are with you and your family. Wayne and Caroline McMahan

Wayne McMahan - March 13, 2010 at 12:00 AM

MJ

“ Ken, Mary and family:
Brian was my closest friend in Iron Mountain. I will miss stopping by the shop to visit him, 4wheeling and going to camp.
He was a talented man and good buddy.
I'm sorry beyond words.
Mike Johnson

Mike Johnson - March 13, 2010 at 12:00 AM

BC

“ Scott your thoughts and prayers are with you and your family, we are very sorry for your loss.

Bob and Julie Cookingham - March 13, 2010 at 12:00 AM

MB

“ *My deepest sympathy to all of Brian's family and friends. Brian had a very kind, gentle, and loving spirit and I know so many will miss him dearly. My thoughts and prayers are with all of you and I hope God's peace be with each of you at this difficult time.*

Mary Linn Balcer - March 13, 2010 at 12:00 AM

BR

“ *Our thoughts and prayers are with you God grant you peace and love. Sincerely Bob and Ina Rumpf*

Bob & Ina Rumpf - March 13, 2010 at 12:00 AM

RR

“ *sure had a fun time with brian, and your family when we bowled in league with you. take care love you.*

ray and rena - March 13, 2010 at 12:00 AM

SD

“ *Brian was a good hearted man and will be missed by many. Your family is in our thoughts and prayers.*

Scott & Shelley

Scott & Shelley Duff - March 13, 2010 at 12:00 AM

GH

“ I am Dominic's teacher in Kimberly, WI, and have heard many endearing stories of the times Brian has spent with Dominic. It is very clear that Brian is an important part of Dominic's life, and I just want to be sure you know that Brian has made a difference....Dominic is a finer young man because of the time he has shared with Brian.

God Bless You All,
Gail Huberty

Gail Huberty - March 13, 2010 at 12:00 AM

KW

“ Our thoughts are with you during this time. We will always have fond memories of Brian. I remember the witty story Brian told about fishing with his brother. He was down-to-earth, and we appreciate his kindness at the DeGrave family reunions. Love and Prayers
Karen & Rich

Karen & Rich Wetelainen - March 13, 2010 at 12:00 AM

MF

“ Our thoughts and prayers are with Brian's family. May God grant you peace and understanding during this time. Brian gave our son his first job. He instilled a great work ethic in our son and he carries it with him to this day. We were glad to have known Brian. He was always very kind to our entire family. May you rest in peace, Brian. You will be missed by many.

Michael & Beverly, Nick, Kate & Jack

Merig Family - March 12, 2010 at 12:00 AM

EN

“ So sorry for your loss.

Ellette Brule Nyman - March 12, 2010 at 12:00 AM