



Cecil Hostettler

April 7, 1915 - November 25, 2005

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KINGSFORD - Cecil "Happy" Hostettler, 90, of Kingsford, went to be with our Lord on Friday, Nov. 25, 2005, at ManorCare Health Services in Kingsford. He was born on April 7, 1915, in Stockbridge, Wis., the son of the late Henry and Marguerite (Aebischer) Hostettler.

Hap attended Stockbridge High School and the University of Wisconsin-Madison majoring in agriculture. He was an agricultural inspector for the state of Wisconsin. In 1938, he moved to Iron Mountain and opened a restaurant called Happy's Caf?, which he ran for 30 years. He served in the Merchant Marines during World War II. He later worked for Bosk Painting and Sandblasting until his retirement in 1990. Cecil was the business agent for the Painters Union Local 1609.

On Sept. 20, 1957, he married June Bourassa in Escanaba and they resided in Iron Mountain. He was a member of Trinity United Methodist Church and enjoyed singing in the church choir. Hap was also a past member of the Iron Mountain-Kingsford Lions Club, the Elks Lodge and a 50-year member of United Commercial Travelers. Some of his hobbies included playing cards, fishing and hunting. Most of all, he enjoyed coin collecting and spending time with family and friends.

He is survived by his wife, June; five children, Sandra Richard of Iron Mountain, Richard Hostettler of Chilton, Wis., Kim (Keith) Mashak of Kingsford, Marsha (Craig) Olson of Iron Mountain and Robert (Kim) Hostettler

of Quinnesec; eight grandchildren, Jim, Jamie, Matthew, Brian, Brent, Moriah, Ricky and Maria; two great-grandchildren, Gage and Macy; a sister, Bernice Pope of Fond du Lac, Wis.; and many nieces and nephews.

He was preceded in death by his parents; three brothers, George, Glen and Gilbert; two sisters, Cora and Florence; and two grandchildren, Tammy Richard and James Richard Jr.

Visitation will be Tuesday from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. at Trinity United Methodist Church.

Funeral services will be Tuesday at 1 p.m. at the church. Rev. Dr. Meredith Rupe will officiate.

Burial will be in the Quinnesec Cemetery.

Memorials can be made in his memory to the Trinity United Methodist Church Choir.

Condolences may be expressed to the family of Cecil R. Hostettler online at www.ernashfuneralhomes.com.

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

Tribute Wall

KJ

“ Dear Kim, Marsha and family. I am so sorry to learn of your loss. It is hard to lose a parent. I lost both in the past few years. My thoughts and prayers are with all of you.

God bless,
Kathy

Kathy Johnson - December 10, 2005 at 12:00 AM

BR

“ Dear June and family... was sorry to hear just as we got here in Az. about your loss....Bruce and I have memories from years back of "Hap"... so our sympathies and prayers go out to you all at this sad time....Sincerely...Lois & Bruce Ring....

Bruce and Lois Ring - November 30, 2005 at 12:00 AM

CK

“ My heart goes out to June, my best friend since crib days, and the family. May the Good Lord sustain them through this trying time. Hap will be remembered by many with great fondness.

Carol Kwolek - November 28, 2005 at 12:00 AM