



## Charlene Leinen

January 9, 1946 - January 9, 2012

Charlene Leinen, 66, of Aurora, died Mon. Jan. 9, 2012 at Dickinson County Memorial Hospital. She was born on Feb. 1, 1945 in Iron Mountain.

Charlene was a lifelong resident of the area and a graduate of Kingsford High School. She married Mitchell Leinen in 1969 in Iron Mountain. The couple owned Mitch's Auto Sales, where she worked for many years. Charlene enjoyed riding her Harley-Davidson Motorcycle and drove with the V.F.W. Motorcycle riders and the Riders for Veterans. Charlene also enjoyed fishing and playing Bingo.

She is survived by her husband Mitchell, her son Mitch (Peggy Kuder) Leinen of Kingsford, and one granddaughter Kayla Kuder of Iron Mountain.

Charlene was preceded in death by her mother Jeanette Blackberg, her brother Duane Blackberg, and her grandmother Ann Annear.

Visitation will be Fri. from 10:30-11am at Erickson-Rochon & Nash Funeral Home. Funeral services will be on Fri. at 11am at the funeral home. Deacon Donald Christy will officiate. Burial will be in Cemetery Park.

Condolences may be expressed to the family of Charlene Leinen online at [www.ernashfuneralhomes.com](http://www.ernashfuneralhomes.com)

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

# Previous Events

## Graveside Service

MAY 31. 1:00 PM (CT)

Cemetery Park  
101 Cedar Ave.  
Iron Mountain, MI 49801

# Tribute Wall

BY

“ After working, by phone for over 36 years mostly by phone conversations with Char with regard to the business, I was very saddened by her passing. I'm sorry I could not attend, but will keep her memory forever.

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**Bernie Moland - Kingsford , MI - friend m of many years.** - January 20, 2012 at 12:00 AM

CW

“ Char,  
you are at rest now and no more pain. I really thank you for your friendship and the many good cars you sold us which to this day still run. Your need for family and let us be close to you as a family and teach keith about his family he never new and the many pictures you gave us . we would of never knew the other side of the family and the fun we have had with family and you we thank you . you will always be in our thoughts and our hearts.

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**cindy annear - quinesec,mi 49876, MI - keith annear wife** - January 13, 2012 at 12:00 AM

SP

“ Mitch & Family Sorry for your loss. Prayers are with you.

*Sandra Kaye*

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**Sandra Kaye Pukall** - January 13, 2012 at 12:00 AM

KC

“ My thoughts go out ot peggy and little and big mitch. Char was a good person and family meant a lot to her and i am glad to be a family member and a friend. Sorry i could not be their from a illness of my own but i will go and when i feel better and take aund barb also and put flowers for char.

*char*

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**keith annear - quinnesecc, MI - cousin** - January 13, 2012 at 12:00 AM

JF

“ Dear Mitch and family i am so sorry to hear of your WIFE, MOTHER and GRANDMOTHER ,she is now in heaven and free of pain. she was a wonderful women and will never be for gotten, Bless you all i will pray for your family to heal it will take a long time God Bless you all ! a freind for ever jean rea

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**jean rea - iron mtn, MI - freind** - January 13, 2012 at 12:00 AM

JF

“ Mitch we are deeply sorry for your loss and our prayers go out to you and your family from all of us at the Central wisconsin Auto Auction.

*Jeff*

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**Jeff Ostrowski - schofield, WI - friend** - January 12, 2012 at 12:00 AM

JF

“ I talked to you Mitch and you know what i thought of Char. You know i know what your going to go through . My prayers are with you.

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**Jim Ferris** - January 12, 2012 at 12:00 AM

BF

“ The years have flown by, but the memories of your mom and your friendship with Geoff and Bill, Dolly and me will live on forever. Bless you, Mitch and your family in this time of great sorrow for you all. bSJ8C You are in our prayers.

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**Bill and Dolly Cook - Iron Mountain, MI - friend** - January 11, 2012 at 12:00 AM

GF

“ Hey Guys,

*I'm really blessed to have known Char..she was a very bright memory in my life as a young man and was always there when I needed someone or a little advice. My heart goes out to you..I wish I could be there for a minute or two. I can see it plain as day, her yelling at us for one thing or another...warning us that the old man will find out and she won't stop him from woopin' us. Good times and I'll miss her terribly. My Condolences and Love.  
Geoffrey*

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**Geoffrey Cook - Neenah, WI - Friend** - January 11, 2012 at 12:00 AM

SM

“ I've known Char as long as Peggy & Mitch have been together and I too, remember those days at the salvage yard and auto shop. Char was as good of a mother to Peggy as she was to Mitch. She will be deeply missed by all who knew her. My sympathies and prayers to the family....wish I could be there.

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**Stacy - Appleton , WI - Friend to Peggy & Mitch** - January 11, 2012 at 12:00 AM

MM

“ I WILL MISS YOU TERRILY MOM YOU WILL ALWAYS BE MOM TO ME I WILL NEVER FOR GET YOU AND THE GOOD OLD DAY WE HAD GOING SHOPING BINGO YOU WILL ALWAYS BE IN MY HEART LOVE YOU XO R.I.P. LOVE MELISSA

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**MELISSA HUOTARI - CARLSON - Iron MOUNTAIN, MI** - January 11, 2012 at 12:00 AM

EF

“ Mitch, Peggy & Kayla,

*Very sorry to hear of your mothers passing.  
May you have peace knowing she is in a better place and no longer suffering.*

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**Eric Schneider - Spread Eagle, Wisconsin , WI - family friend** - January 11, 2012 at 12:00 AM

AC

“ Mitch, Mitch, Peggy, and Kayla,

*We are so very sorry of the passing of our dear Char.  
She was truly loved by us.  
We will miss her.*

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**Alan and Pat - Lilburn, GA - cousin** - January 11, 2012 at 12:00 AM

AC

“ I want to send to all of you my most sincere condolences. Charlene was an 'angel' to my mother after she could no longer drive. Mom looked so forward to their shopping excursions and going to lunch. Charlene's kindness and thoughtfulness will always be fondly remembered by myself, my husband and family. You are all in our thoughts and prayers.

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**Ann M. (Conery) Crispigna - Escanaba, MI - First cousin to Charlene** - January 10, 2012 at 12:00 AM