



Daniel McLain

January 22, 1982 - March 6, 2012

Daniel R. McLain,

30, of Iron Mountain, passed away on Tuesday, March 6th, at Dickinson County Memorial Hospital after a two-year battle with brain cancer.

Dan was born on January 22, 1982 in Green Bay, Wisconsin, son of Shawn and Catherine (Nau) McLain. He was raised in the Florence area and was a 2000 graduate of Florence High School. He operated Dan McLain Trucking for several years. Most recently he has worked for Minerick Logging in Sagola.

Dan married the former Samantha Owens on August 15, 2008 at Fumee Falls in Breitung Twp. He was a member of Our Saviours Lutheran Church in Iron Mountain and the Hiram D. Fisher Masonic Lodge #222 of Florence. Dan also served with the National Guard, 1432nd Engineering Company out of Kingsford. He enjoyed the outdoors, especially hunting with his parents, and fishing. Dan also liked to play cards and games with family and friends. He loved spending time with his beautiful children, savoring each memory that they created together. He lived life to the fullest, knowing and trusting that God was in control. There is a large hole left in the hearts of those who knew him. Dan will be remembered for his sense of humor, kind heart, and amazing smile.

He is survived by his wife, Samantha; his son, Nathan Wicklund of Iron Mountain and his daughter, Jaden McLain at home; his parents, Shawn and Cathy McLain of Florence; maternal grandparents, Franklin and Nancy Nau of

Crystal Falls and Juanita and Roger Spade of Amberg, WI; paternal grandparents, Gordon McLain (Donna) of Fence, WI and Sandra McLain of Fence, WI; a special step-grandma, Linda McLain; mother-in-law, Cindy Owens of Homestead, WI; numerous aunts, uncles and cousins including a cousin, good friend and caretaker, Leeanna Kligis. Dan is also survived by his childhood best friends, Jeremy Johnson and Kyle Coy as well as his dog and best buddy Oscar.

Visitation will be from 3:00-6:00pm Monday, March 12, at the Erickson-Rochon & Nash Funeral Home. Funeral services will be at 6:00pm Monday at the funeral home. Rev. Lee Liverance will officiate. The Hiram D. Fisher Masonic Lodge #222 of Florence will conduct services at 5:30pm Monday evening at the funeral home.

Burial will be at 11:00am Tuesday at Iron Mountain Cemetery Park. Military graveside services will be accorded by the Uren-Cooper-Johnson American Legion Post #50.

Pallbearers will be, Kyle Coy, Les DeCamera, Phillip Boone, Troy Frappier, Michael Owens, Everette Cooper, and Andy Gibbons.

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

Condolences may be expressed to the family of Daniel McLain online at www.ernashfuneralhomes.com

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

Previous Events

Visitation

MAR 12. 3:00 PM - 6:00 PM (CT)

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

Masonic Service

MAR 12. 5:30 PM (CT)

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

Funeral Service

MAR 12. 6:00 PM (CT)

Erickson-Rochon and Nash Funeral Home
901 Carpenter Ave.
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Tribute Wall

AW

“ *If God Brings You To It...He Will Get You Through It.
Thinking Of You*

Ann Brolin - WI - March 14, 2012 at 12:00 AM

TC

“ *Dear Sam,*

We are very sorry to hear about your husband. We think about you and want you to know you are in our prayers. You are a wonderful person. Take care and may God Bless and keep you and your family, always.

Tom and Lois

Tom Pool and Lois Daleen - Channing, ME - Clients at the Dental Clinic - March 13, 2012 at 12:00 AM

PW

“ *Shawn, Kathy and family,*

I'm so sorry to hear of the passing of Dan. Godspeed to you all during this time of hardship. My thoughts and prayers are with you.

Pete

Pete Borremans (Packerland Glass) - Green Bay, WI - March 13, 2012 at 12:00 AM

BW

“ *Rest in Peace Dan. You will be forever missed by all who knew you.*

Ben & Amber Neuens - Florence, WI - March 13, 2012 at 12:00 AM

RT

“ Over the last couple years I have thought about Dan and prayed for him often. God brought a great guy home! I look forward to meeting again someday Dan!

Ryan Hulce - Grandville, MI - Served in the 46th MP Co togethe - March 13, 2012 at 12:00 AM

CF

“ gone but not forgotten

Christina Schuls& Family - March 12, 2012 at 12:00 AM

AN

“ Sam and children, I am so sorry for your loss! There is no words. My heart is broken for you. Please know you are in my thoughts and prayers during this difficult time! If you need anything please call me! I'll be there!! Comfort to you and peace! Much love, Abby Moore

Abby - IRON MOUNTAIN, MI - friend and neighbor - March 12, 2012 at 12:00 AM

SA

“ You were so sweet and so funny. Your smile and laugh will live on in my heart forever. You were the best of all of us and I will miss you more than words can ever say.

Sharon masoner - franklin, NE - Aunt - March 12, 2012 at 12:00 AM

LS

“ Gordy and family; we are sorry to hear of your loss of Daniel, he was a very good guy and friend to everyone. May he rest in peace.

Larry and Roxanne Ottinger - Florence, WI - Related to Juanita Spade - March 12, 2012 at 12:00 AM

WF

“ SHAWN & KATHY & SAMANTHA & BOYS, WE ARE SO SORRY TO HEAR OF YOUR LOSS OF DAN, MUCH TOO YOUNG TO GO TO HEAVEN. PRAYERS FOR YOU ALL.

WAYNE KOLBERG & BARB - WIS. RAPIDS , WI - FRIENDS - March 12, 2012 at 12:00 AM

LS

“ *May Daniel rest in peace and no more suffering with cancer. He will be sadly missed by everyone who loved and knew him, sorry I didn't get to know him better, but you have our deepest sympathy.*

Larry and Roxanne Ottinger - Florence, WA - Related to Juanita Spade - March 12, 2012 at 12:00 AM

BF

“ *May God be with your family in these times. What an awesome young man. Will be missed by many.*

Bob/Mary Grell and Family - Florence, WI - Friend - March 12, 2012 at 12:00 AM

LC

“ *Gordy, we are very sorry to hear about Daniel's passing. We hope you will treasure your memories of good times you shared. You and your family are in our thoughts and prayers. God Bless, Loren and Gloria*

Loren & Gloria McLain - Albuquerque, NM - Cousin - March 11, 2012 at 12:00 AM

MC

“ *Sending our sincere sympathies and love to you all! So sorry for your great loss of Daniel. Your family is in our thoughts and prayers.*

Mike and Julie McLain - Palmer, AK - Cousin - March 11, 2012 at 12:00 AM

RR

“ *Life is eternal, and love is immortal, and death is only a horizon; and a horizon is nothing save the limit of our sight. "*

~ Rossiter Worthington Raymond

Dan was a great man; every time I seen him he had a great big smile on his face, a cheery attitude and caring/ loving demeanor. I can tell you while we here are at loss, Heaven, however; is at great gain. Our prayers are with Dan's family and friends in this trying time.

Richard & Jessica Rugg - March 11, 2012 at 12:00 AM

AF

“ *As we hugged goodbye many years ago, it wasn't easy to let go. Never did I think that would be the last time I'd see him. It's heart breaking that once again I have to say good bye. I will always hold those memories close to my heart. Because of Dan, I am who, I am today. Dan was so strong and kept my head held high, whether is was a long chat on the phone, a hug, or a swift kick in the butt. I could not have asked for a better best friend. He is our angel guarding over us, but can't wipe away the tears. He will send us all the strengh to make all the tears disappear. Only happy memories to guide us through many more years. Next time I see you I refuse to say goodbye, best friends in heaven means forever, meaning no more need to cry. I love and miss you Daniel Ryan, Good Bye*

Allison - WI - old friend - March 11, 2012 at 12:00 AM

MF

“ I have alot of good memories of Dan we had alot of fun toghther. I will never forget him. I wont be able to make it to the services on monday but Dan is forever in my heart. We always joked around about being like the duke boys or dukes of hazard and and just coming up with unusal stuff that made no sense but gave us sumthn to laugh about. Dan was a great friend, Husband to Sam and Son to Shawn and Cathy. Keep on truckin buddy up there in heaven and save a big shiney peterbilt for me. 10-4. Miss ya buddy!!!!!!

Matthew Petraska aka 6 12 - florence, WI - good friend - March 11, 2012 at 12:00 AM

DW

“ Shawn & Cathy, we are so very sorry for your loss. Our heartfelt thoughts, and prayers go out to you, and your family. May you find the strength that you need ,to help get you through this most difficult time.

Our Deepest Sympathy,

Dan & Lori McVannel - Florence, WI - March 11, 2012 at 12:00 AM

NF

“ Dan was a grade ahead of me but we had a few classes and study-hall. together. No matter what kind of day I was having, Dan would have me laughing and smiling by the end of the hour. A few years ago I bumped into him again and we spent several minutes catching up.. he seemed so happy and couldn't wait to show off photos of his beautiful wife and wonderful children. I have never had the pleasure of meeting them but I hope they know how happy and proud they made him.

Nicole Kitter (Bryngelson) - Kingsford, MI - Old High School Friend - March 11, 2012 at 12:00 AM

KJ

“ Although it's difficult today to see beyond the sorrow,
May looking back in memory help comfort you tomorrow.

Praying that the Lord will be with you all during this difficult time

Kory and Beth Jolliff - March 10, 2012 at 12:00 AM

BT

“ I am very sorry for your loss.

Billie Crowley - Morristown, TN - March 10, 2012 at 12:00 AM

JF

“ I remember the first day I met Dan like it was yesterday. It was the first day of first grade. I think it was Mrs Doda's class. He was sitting across the room from me he looked at me pulled up his hand made a gun with his fingers and shot me. I pulled up my hands made a machine gun and shot him back. After that we were best friends for next 23 years. We have never had a fight or a falling out, we were there for each other in good times and bad. he was my best friend my brother he will be missed and never forgotten. I love you Dan see you when I get there.

Jeremy Johnson - Florence, WI - Friend - March 10, 2012 at 12:00 AM

JF

“ God bless you and your family, Danny. Rest in peace.

Jamie - friend - March 10, 2012 at 12:00 AM

TF

“ I am so sorry for your loss; may God wrap his arms around you and your family in your time of sorrow!

Tanya Holmes - Niagara, WI - friend - March 10, 2012 at 12:00 AM

KM

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Kory and Beth Jolliff - Mass City, MI - March 10, 2012 at 12:00 AM

JF

“ *For Those I Love and For Those Who Love Me*

*When I am gone, release me, let me go.
I have so many things to see and do.
You mustn't tie yourself to me with tears.
Be happy that we had so many years.*

*I gave you my love, you can only guess
How much you gave me in happiness.
I thank you for the love you each have shown
But now it's time to travel on alone.*

*So grieve a while for me, if grieve you must
Then let your grief be comforted by trust.
It's only for awhile that we must part
So bless the memories that lie within you heart.*

*I won't be far away, for life goes on,
But if you need me, call and I will come
Though you can't see or touch me, I'll be near
And if you listen with your heart, you'll hear
All my love around you, soft and clear.*

*And then, when you must come this way alone-
I'll greet you with a smile and "Welcome You Home!"*

Jesse and Lori Brown - San Antonio, TX - Friends - March 10, 2012 at 12:00 AM

JC

“ Cathy, Shawn and family,
Dan's life ended way to early. He was a great person that endured an illness that should never have been. Life is not fair always, and the time we spend here on earth should be the time for making memories and bonding with the people that we love. Always remember the happiness that he brought into your lives and the times that you shared together. This is one of my favorite songs that I would like to share with you;

*Precious Lord, take my hand,
Lead me on, help me stand-
I am tired, I am weak, I am worn;
Through the storm, through the night,
Lead me on to the light-
Take my hand, precious Lord, lead me home.*

*When my way grows drear,
Precious Lord, linger near-
When my life is almost gone;
Hear my cry, hear my call,
Hold my hand lest I fall-
Take my hand, precious Lord, lead me home...*

*May God help you find the strength to go on and to always remember Dan with Love and Peace, knowing that his suffering is done and that God has bigger plans for him now....
Peace and Love, Joanie and John*

John and Joan McLain - Armstrong Creek, WI - cousin - March 10, 2012 at 12:00 AM

AU

“ Dan touched the life of everyone that knew him, I loved him and will miss him. Dan will be in my heart until the day I die!

Art Dumais - Norway, MI - Uncle - March 10, 2012 at 12:00 AM

AF

“ *Funniest memory -
Dan and Tony holding me down and buzzing stripes into my
eyebrows! Thank u for my bushy brows boys!*

Allison Green - WI - friend - March 10, 2012 at 12:00 AM

IF

“ *Dan, I remember that night we stayed at your house after partying it
up and your dad was wondering why the bathtub was wet in the
morning but nobody showered or bathed..ha ha.....it was a long time
ago but I remember it like it was yesterday. RIP my friend. My
thoughts and prayers to all family and friends*

Ian Weber - Iron Mountain, MI - Old Friend - March 10, 2012 at 12:00 AM

SC

“ *You were a great person Dan! You will never be forgotten! To Sam
and family, stay strong through this knowing he's watching you. My
prayers go out to everyone*

Sami Church - March 10, 2012 at 12:00 AM

RM

“ So many GREAT memories of Dan..No words can express how blessed we who knew him really ARE..He was not only a loving person but above all he was a GREAT husband and father .I recall him coming into daycare with the kids when they were little and not so long ago we needed a few little repairs in came Dan with his little helper Jaden at his side. ready to help her daddy as he helped everyone.,,No words can take away the pain we are all feeling right now but to set and think about a great blessing to know he is no longer suffering is a blessing in its self..He knew he was going to heaven and he was ready .What a TRULY great feeling that had to be ...Sam and Family as you all set and visit with family,friends and strangers may Dan give you all the words you need.Take time now to sit and laugh about the funny things has done all the memories NO ONE not anyone will or ever can take away ..Them alone will get you threw the darkest days...God Bless you each and everyone

Rachel Siegle - NORWAY, MI - March 10, 2012 at 12:00 AM

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Rachel Siegle - NORWAY, MI - March 09, 2012 at 12:00 AM

LF

“ Our deepest sumpathy goes out to Sam and the kids along with Shawn and Kathy. Dan has blessed so many and will be truly missed. I have been so fortunate to have become such good friends with Dan and I will always remember the good times we had.

Les & Tracie DeCamara - Florence, WI - Friends - March 09, 2012 at 12:00 AM

JF

“ My thoughts and prayers are with Sam and the children and the extended family. Rest In Peace Dan.

Jenni Lindstrom - Aurora, WI - friend - March 09, 2012 at 12:00 AM

DF

“ We are truly sorry for your loss. Thoughts and prayers are with the family.

*Danielle Varda
Mauck Insurance Agency*

Danielle Varda - Vulcan, MI - Friend - March 09, 2012 at 12:00 AM

SF

“ Thought and Prayers go out to all of the family.

Steve and Rose Wilcox - Florence, WI - friend of the family - March 09, 2012 at 12:00 AM

DL

“ The many memories of Daniel will always leave me with a warm smile .

DiAnne Lund-Johnson - March 09, 2012 at 12:00 AM

TL

“ Thinking of you at this most difficult time. Our thoughts and prayers are with you.

Todd & Lori - March 09, 2012 at 12:00 AM