



## Daniel J. Oberdorfer

February 10, 1956 - December 9, 2018

Daniel J. Oberdorfer, 62, of Kingsford, MI, passed away on Sunday, December 9, 2018.

He was born February 10, 1956 in Iron Mountain, MI, the son of Maxine (Urban) Oberdorfer and the late Robert Oberdorfer. Dan graduated from Kingsford High School in 1974 and was a lifelong resident of the area. He married Lauri Brackett on December 11, 1976 at American Martyrs Catholic Church in Kingsford. Dan was employed at the Niagara Paper Mill, retiring as a mill manager after 32 years. During that time, he also spent several years working as needed for the Dickinson County Sheriff's Dept as a transporter. Dan was a member of the Sons of the American Legion and volunteered many hours in helping construct the U.P. Veterans Memorial at Pine Mountain. He was an excellent cook and enjoyed making homemade sauerkraut, sausage, wine and maple syrup for his family and friends. Obe was a gentle giant who loved people and people loved him right back. He will be sadly missed by those who knew him.

Dan is survived by his wife, Lauri; three children, Jaime (Ian) Powell of Kingsford, Angela (Jesse) DeBacker of Cornell, MI, and Luke (Paige) Oberdorfer of Norway, MI; his mother, Maxine Vaccarello of Kingsford; two brothers, Mike (Deb) Oberdorfer of Kingsford and Rob (Darcy) Oberdorfer of Cedar Springs, MI; a sister, Jody (Steve) Marek of Kingsford; grandchildren,

Meela & Benjamin DeBacker, Matthew & Alec Daniel Powell and Reece Oberdorfer; and several nieces and nephews and cousins.

Visitation will be held on Sunday, December 23 from 2:00 to 5:00 pm at the First Covenant Church in Iron Mountain. A memorial service will follow at 5:00pm at the church. Rev. Thomas Beckstrom will officiate. Burial will be in Iron Mountain Cemetery Park.

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

The Oberdorfer family would like to thank Officer Rayce Maraccini and all the law enforcement agencies and search and rescue teams for their diligent efforts in bringing our husband, father and papa home.

Condolences may be expressed to the family of Daniel J. Oberdorfer online at [www.ernashfuneralhome.com](http://www.ernashfuneralhome.com)

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

# Cemetery Details

## Cemetery Park

101 Cedar Ave.  
Iron Mountain, MI 49801

# Previous Events

## Visitation

DEC **23**. 2:00 PM - 5:00 PM (CT)

First Covenant Church  
125 East H Street  
Iron Mountain, MI 49801

## Memorial Service

DEC **23**. 5:00 PM (CT)

First Covenant Church  
125 East H Street  
Iron Mountain, MI 49801

# Tribute Wall



“ Erickson-Rochon-Nash Funeral Home created a Tribute Video in memory of Daniel J. Oberdorfer



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**Erickson-Rochon-Nash Funeral Home** - January 23, 2019 at 12:35 PM

PJ

“ Dear Lauri, Angie, Jaime, Luke and all of our UP family,

*We remember Obe as a young football hero, a gentle, loving giant, a great cook and a man with a fun sense of humor. Although we didn't know him well, there was not a doubt that he would paddle across a river of fire to help us if we needed it.*

*We will miss his loving smile and gentle ways.*

*With love,  
CuzPat Randy and Liam*

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**Pat Roan Judd** - December 23, 2018 at 11:30 AM

MD

*Dear Lori, I'm so sorry for your loss! Marsha Ruzzicone Doser*

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**Marsha Ruzzicone Doser** - December 23, 2018 at 09:32 PM

SR

“ *Our deepest sympathy to Dan's family and friends. Will be sadly missed. Chuck Connis and Sandy Raymond*

Sandy Raymond - December 21, 2018 at 11:19 AM

TF

“ *The BSBP Family purchased the Simply Chic Mixed Plant Basket for the family of Daniel J. Oberdorfer.*



The BSBP Family - December 21, 2018 at 11:01 AM

JC

“ *Sending my love and prayers for the family during this time of sorrow. May God give him angels wings to always be near.*

Julie Clark - December 21, 2018 at 08:55 AM

OW

“ *My very sincere sympathy and prayers to Maxine and all the Oberdorfer family.*  
*Orice Walters*



Orice Walters - December 21, 2018 at 08:48 AM

JR

“ Jody and family,  
I am so sorry to hear of the loss of Dan. So many great memories of times spent together as we siblings were so close in age. I remember his story telling and how everyone would gather around to listen in on how his latest story would roll out. The one that stands out most clearly after all these years is his trip to the moon story that he would tell sister Sue. We would all listen in to his stories of mystery and fun on the trip to the moon.  
He will be sadly missed by so many. You are in our thoughts & prayers during this difficult time. Julie Rice

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**julie rice** - December 21, 2018 at 07:37 AM



“ So sorry for your loss. Dan was a very special person. RIP my friend. Jim Peterson

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**James Peterson** - December 20, 2018 at 08:28 PM

JG

“ I'm so sorry for your loss. My dad (Dave Giguere) worked with Obe at the mill and always spoke highly of him. My thoughts and prayers are with you all.

*Jenni Giguere*

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**Jenni Giguere** - December 20, 2018 at 05:12 PM

LO

“ Love you Dad.

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**Luke Oberdorfer** - December 20, 2018 at 10:34 AM



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**Pat Roan Judd** - December 23, 2018 at 11:31 AM