



Darl Doublestein,

April 20, 1930 - April 20, 2011

Darl R. Doublestein, Sr., 81, of Kingsford, died Wed. April 20, 2011 at the Oscar G. Johnson V.A. Medical Center in Iron Mountain. He was born on Feb. 16, 1930 in Kalamazoo, MI the son of the late Dowe and Irene (Root) Doublestein, Sr.

Darl served in the U.S. Marine Corps. He was a papermaker for the Menasha Corp. and a carpenter.

Darl enjoyed singing and playing the guitar and had his own band, Darl D. and The Driftwoods. He was also a life member of the Masons in Three Rivers, MI, and a member of the Otsego V.F.W. Post.

A love for fishing and hunting brought Darl to the Upper Peninsula after he retired. In addition to hunting and fishing, he also enjoyed playing golf.

He is survived by four children Cathy (Mark) Graves of Brownsburg, IN, Darl (Karen) Doublestein, Jr. of Otsego, MI, Juanita (Douglas) Hendrixson of Decatur, MI, and Steven Doublestein of Otsego, MI, his longtime special friend and guardian angel Kathy Massignan of Kingsford and her family, one sister Lorraine Squires of Hickory Corners, MI, ten grandchildren, 20 great grandchildren, one great great granddaughter, and many nieces and nephews.

Darl was preceded in death by three brothers Gerald, Kenneth, and Dowe Jr. Doublestein.

Visitation will be Fri. from 10-11am at Erickson-Rochon & Nash Funeral Home. Funeral services will be at 11am Fri. at the funeral home. Rev. Robert Mueller will officiate. Burial will be in the Mountain View Cemetery in Otsego, MI.

Condolences may be expressed online to the family of Darl R. Doublestein, Sr., online at www.ernashfuneralhomes.com

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

Previous Events

Visitation

APR 22. 10:00 AM - 11:00 AM (CT)

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

Funeral Service

APR 22. 11:00 AM (CT)

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

Tribute Wall

TM

“ A lot of great memories from the days of the K bar D...I sang a lot of songs in that place. One of my father's favorite spots in town. I Remember Daryl well. That was many years ago. Daryl you will be missed...

Tom Meiser - Allegan, MI - June 23, 2011 at 12:00 AM

MF

“ I remember playing music with Darl many times at the K Bar D in Allegan. Darls brother Ken owned this tavern and it was where I first met Darl playing and singing there. Darls favorite song at that time was "My Woman, My Woman, My Wife" which was a Marty Robbins tune. He used a big old fashioned microphone and he had a beautiful voice. Somewhere, Somewhen I hope Darl and I can share a song again.

Mitchell Wooster - Allegan, MI - friend - June 23, 2011 at 12:00 AM

DF

“ MY FRIEND, I WILL MISS YOUR SWEET PEACEFUL SMILE & YOUR AMAZING ATTITUDE...YOU WERE THE FIRST PERSON I THOUGHT ABOUT WHEN I FOUND OUT ABOUT MY UPCOMING LUNG SURGERY. I PRAYED & GOD TOLD ME I GAVE YOU 2 FOR A REASON.. A PAIR & A SPARE!! I THOUGHT DARYL CAN DO IT & SO CAN I ? WHEN I TOLD YOU THIS STORY YOU SMILED & CHUCKLED.. I AM HAPPY GOD HAS BLESSED ME WITH YOUR FRIENDSHIP! I APPRECIATED YOUR POSITIVE MENTAL ATTITUDE! THANK YOU & GOD BLESS YOUR FAMILY! ? I LOVE YA , DEB BELL

DEB BELL - FRIEND - April 21, 2011 at 12:00 AM

KF

“ *Darl....what a special man!! He was my neighbor and my friend. He ALWAYS had a smile on his face and a positive outlook about life. When I found out (almost 3 years ago) that I had lung cancer, I was really scared about my upcoming surgery. Well, Darl found out that I was nervous and took me aside and calmed me down. He reminded me that Jesus would be there during my surgery and my recovery. I will miss you Darl! I will miss seeing you walk up & down the sidewalk in front of the apartment buildings! I am so thankful that I had you as a friend!*

Kathleen (Neen) Pezzullo - friend/neighbor - April 21, 2011 at 12:00 AM