



David A. Giannunzio

April 8, 1947 - December 6, 2017

David A. Giannunzio

70, of Kingsford, passed away on Wed., December 6, 2017 at Bellin Hospital in Green Bay, after a long and courageous battle with health issues.

He was born on April 8, 1947 in Iron Mountain, to the late Joseph F. and Bethel (Coleman-McNabb) Giannunzio. He attended school in Ironwood and Iron Mountain. After graduation David enlisted in the United States Army in 1964 and was a Ranger, a rifle sharpshooter, and received a medal in National Defense Service prior to his Honorable Discharge in 1966. After his service he attended Diesel Mechanic School in Indianapolis, IN.

David married Sharon L. Mortl in Iron Mountain on March 4, 1972, spending nearly 50 wonderful years together. They loved working together as foster parents for 45 years, loving and caring for many young people of the local area. Many of those relationships have remained special and lifelong. Dave was a "jack of all trades", and never afraid of hard work. He had many jobs and a number of businesses over the years including diesel mechanic, used car lot owner and auto body shop. Dave loved to talk with anyone, cook and have big get-togethers, play cards, casino trips and numerous adventures. Dave was a wonderful husband, father and grandpa; always thoughtful, kind and caring, and willing to lend a hand.

David is survived by his loving wife Sharon; his children, Lisa (Rudy) Vassar of Florence, Diane Lange (Jim Polkinghorne) of Kingsford, and Chuck Giannunzio of Tennessee; grandchildren, Dorianne (Matt) Brooks, Andrew Vassar, Savannah Vassar, and Stephanie Kucej; great grandchildren, Maci Mae, Emmi Lyn, McKinley, and Owen; brothers, Ronald (Cheri) Giannunzio, Robert (Jan) Giannunzio, Joseph (Kathy) Giannunzio and Jerry (Paula) Giannunzio; brothers and sisters in-law, Frank (Anne) Mortl, Mike (Patty) Mortl, Carole (John) Erickson, James (Kris) Mortl, and Mark (Laura) Mortl; many nieces, nephews, and special foster children

David was preceded in death by his parents, a sister, Jeannie "Larson" Giannunzio, and a brother, Eugene "Butch" Giannunzio

The visitation will be held on Saturday, December 16, 2017 from 11:00 am to 12:00 noon at the Our Redeemer Lutheran Church in Kingsford. The funeral service will follow at 12:00 noon at the church. Rev. Matthew Ruesch will officiate.

In lieu of flowers a memorial will be established in David's name.

Condolences to the family of David Giannunzio may be expressed online at www.ernashfuneralhomes.com

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

Previous Events

Visitation

DEC 16. 11:00 AM - 12:00 PM (CT)

Our Redeemer Lutheran Church
420 W. Breitung Ave.
Kingsford, MI 49802

Memorial Service

DEC 16. 12:00 PM (CT)

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Tribute Wall

PB

“ So very sorry to hear of your loss. May the Lord wrap his arms around you and help your family thru this difficult time. Your family is in my prayers.

Paula Erickson Benjamin.

Paula Benjamin - December 18, 2017 at 06:46 PM

AC

“ Gonna miss you Dave.. Him and Sharron had opened there doors to me when no one else would. We had many a good times laughing and at the shop and selling food at events out of his bus. They were my family and treated me as a piece of theres. Ill be forever grateful and in debted to Dave always making a place for us kids where there were nonother places in this world for us.. Love you always Dave sending love to the heavens.. Squeeze our Erin when you get there i bet shes happy to see you too.. Love you Sharron my udder mudder. Stay strong and have faith in the lord.

Amber Carpenter - December 18, 2017 at 02:44 PM

GD

“ Dave was a friend of my dad's and my husband and I. we lived across the street from him on birch. he was always friendly helpful and funny. nice nice family. so sorry for your loss...gina and tim dettman

gina dettman - December 17, 2017 at 03:12 PM



“ We all grew up together on the North Side of Iron Mountain and always played ,fished and enjoyed each other as kids. My deepest condolences to the family.
Jim Corsi

James Corsi - December 15, 2017 at 09:34 AM

KC

So sorry to hear, all have my deepest sympathy

Kathy ball, casari - December 18, 2017 at 03:07 PM



“ From what I knew about Dave he was a great husband, brother , uncle, and father not only to his kids and foster kids but from the stories I've heard trough the yrs I've known him he was also a great father figure to his brothers as well ...I looked up to Dave as a great figure in the yrs I've known him as he gave me lots of advise not only about cars as I needed it but also love it's self ...he will be missed dearly ...*Felix *

Fieldon Doxtator - December 13, 2017 at 10:28 PM



Miss type * life itself *

Fieldon Doxtator - December 13, 2017 at 10:33 PM

AV

“ Al, Karen, Zach, & Victoria purchased the Peaceful White Lilies Basket for the family of David A. Giannunzio.



Al, Karen, Zach, & Victoria - December 12, 2017 at 01:31 PM