



Dennis Brzoznowski

June 19, 1990 - June 19, 2011

Dennis Alan Brzoznowski, 21, of Iron Mountain, died unexpectedly Sunday, June 19, 2011.

He was born on Oct. 10, 1989, in Iron Mountain, son of Tracy Thone and Gene Brzoznowski.

Dennis graduated from North Dickinson High School in 2008. He worked as an equipment operator for Aldridge Electric Co. Dennis loved to spend time with his friends and family, especially his brothers and sisters. He enjoyed working with any kind of heavy equipment and he loved his Ford Raptor pickup truck. He also enjoyed playing cards and was an avid Denver Broncos football fan.

Dennis had a beautiful, infectious smile; one that lit up his whole face, especially his eyes. He was a fun-loving, soft-hearted, very kind person. Many lives will be saved because Dennis was an organ donor through the Gift of Life Organ Donor Organization. He will be missed by all who knew him.

Dennis is survived by his parents, Tracy (Steve) Thone of Randville, and Gene (Jessica Beckerson) Brzoznowski of Sagola; sisters, Ann Brzoznowski, at home, and Jeanne (Josh) Lazenby of Fort Worth, Texas; brothers, Ed (Sara Pitzel) Brzoznowski of Seattle, Mike (Adrien) Brzoznowski of Iron Mountain,

Bob Brzoznowski of Sagola and Steve (Felicia Velario) Thone and Doug (Olivia) Thone, both of Felch; great-grandparents Bob and Margaret Johnson of Sagola; grandparents, Jean Anne (Rob Whitney) Rudolph and Elaine Brzoznowski of Sagola. Also surviving are many aunts, uncles, nieces, nephews and cousins.

Dennis was preceded in death by his grandfathers, Ed Brzoznowski and John Rudolph.

Visitation will be Friday from 9 a.m. to 11:30 a.m. at the Erickson-Rochon & Nash Funeral Home in Iron Mountain.

Memorial services will follow Friday at 11:30 a.m. at the funeral home. Rev. Chad Ott will officiate.

In lieu of flowers, a memorial scholarship fund has been established in Dennis' memory at the Northern Michigan Bank in Iron Mountain.

Condolences to the family of Dennis A. Brzoznowski can be expressed 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

JUN **24.** 9:00 AM - 11:30 AM (CT)

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

Funeral Service

JUN **24.** 11:30 PM (CT)

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Tribute Wall

JF

“ *Very, Very sad for the loss of your son, so young....breaks my heart...such a radiant young man...wish you the best as you all move forward...he'd want that...*

Josephine Principe - Iron River, MI - friend - June 28, 2011 at 12:00 AM

DC

“ *Gene & Family:*

Our heart-felt condolences to all of your family. All of us are very saddened by this tragedy. I am now aware of his exemplary life. He set a great example for all of us to follow. It is common for all of us who are related to Uncle Bill to have a great respect and gift for machinery and mechanics. All those who lived around Dennis could see that gift.

His memory will be a source of strength to all of us.

Dean Kreger & Family

Dean & Teresa Kreger - Syracuse, UT - 2nd Cousin - June 26, 2011 at 12:00 AM

LF

“ *Gene, Tracy, and Family:*

I am so sorry for your loss. Makes me so sad. Sorry.
Lorna

Lorna Willis - Friend - June 24, 2011 at 12:00 AM

SM

“ Truly sorry to hear of your loss. God bless and keep you all through these hard times.

Sara and Liam Girard - Vulcan, MI - June 24, 2011 at 12:00 AM

SF

“ Death leaves a heartache no one can heal, Love leaves a memory no one can steal. Thinking of you at this difficult time.

Love always,

Sean and Jessica Blockland - Loveland, OH - Friend - June 24, 2011 at 12:00 AM

LF

“ I didn't know Dennis but as a parent, the thought of losing one of your children is heart wrenching. I do know Ed, and Sara is my sister. My thoughts and heartfelt sympathy goes out to the entire family and friends.

Lynn Nelson - Friend - June 24, 2011 at 12:00 AM

DF

“ I am so sorry for the loss of your son (brother) Dennis. I know there are no words that can soothe your pain, but may you find comfort in knowing your friends mourn with you. May God give you strength and guide you through this difficult time.

Donna Watts-Rahoi - Iron Mountain, MI - friend - June 24, 2011 at 12:00 AM

PF

“ To the Brzoznowski Family: I had only known Dennis for a few short months. In that time, we had become good friends. I am a Foreman for MJ Electric on the RI Reliability Project in Rhode Island, and I am in charge of four Journeyman Linemen who monitor Aldridge Electric crews working in powerline Right-of-Ways. Dennis was a fantastic guy. Always energetic, and efficient with whatever task he was assigned to. His infectious smile and ready for anything attitude was a joy to everyone. He will be missed greatly by all the lives he touched while he was here. My prayers go out to all his friends and family.

Paul M. Hamel - smithfield, RI - friend - June 23, 2011 at 12:00 AM

SE

“ To Dennis' family,
I had the pleasure of working with Dennis over the past few months and can't begin to tell you how sorry I was when I heard of his passing. We had a lot of laughs, ribbing each other back and forth. Great smile and attitude, he really enjoyed what he was doing. He was respected by all that worked with him and will be missed but not forgotten, by all of us in Rhode Island.

Steve O'Donnell - Westwood, MA - Friend from MJ Electric - June 23, 2011 at 12:00 AM

SF

“ We are so sorry to hear of your loss....thinking of you....you are in my prayers.....Shelby Joe and Ariel....

shelby Dixon - friend - June 23, 2011 at 12:00 AM

MF

“ To the Brzoznowski and Thone families, We are so sorry to hear about your loss, one could never imagine what terrible pain you are going through, hang tough and remember and cherish all the good times and memories. You are in our thoughts and prayers, God bless.

Matt, Michelle & Jordan Neumann - Friends - June 23, 2011 at 12:00 AM

LF

“ Dear Tracey and Snuffy, It was with a saddened heart that I heard of the death of your son. My thoughts and prayers are with you and your family during this nightmare. Please hang onto each other and take comfort in the memories you have.

Linda Sielaff - mother of a friend - June 23, 2011 at 12:00 AM

TW

“ I met Dennis the first time when he came to unload my truck I thought who is this young kid with a big smile on his face. He did his job and impressed me to the hilt. I will never forget him I can only dream of how wonderful heaven must be if the Lord needed Dennis. It must be quite the place I pray for all who are left behind the pain to ease.

Trevor Bauman - Walworth, WI - Co Worker - June 23, 2011 at 12:00 AM

KF

“ Gene: I am so so sorry for your loss. Times like these are difficult but will ease with time. Please know that you & your family are in my thoughts & prayers.
Kim Smolich

Kim - Marquette, MI - Friend - June 23, 2011 at 12:00 AM

MT

“ We are so sorry to hear of your loss Tracy and Gene, our thoughts and prayers are with you and your family.

Mary and Randy Smith - Friend of Tracy - June 23, 2011 at 12:00 AM

DU

“ *Jessie and Gene*

We are so sorry for you loss and want you to know that you and your family are in our thoughts and prayers. We love you very much.

Darla and Chris Beckerson and boys - Burgin , KY - Aunt and Uncle - June 23, 2011 at 12:00 AM

JF

“ Thinking of all of you during this difficult time. It is never an easy thing to lose a loved one, but rest easy knowing that Dennis is with the Lord and watching over everyone. Our thoughts and prayers are with you and may God and your families and friends give you all strength and grace to get through these trying, difficult times.

*It will be the little things
that you will remember,
the quiet moments,
the smiles, the laughter.
And although it may seem
hard right now,
it will be the memories
of these little things
that help to push
away the pain
and bring the smiles
back again.*

*Much love & Deepest Sympathy, Jeff, Susan, Ashley & Jeffrey
Steinbrecher*

Jeff & Susan Steinbrecher & family - family - June 23, 2011 at 12:00 AM

CF

“ Much love to you all. Hang in there, because he is looking down on you with all of the love he has.

CaSandra Anderson - Sister's best friend - June 22, 2011 at 12:00 AM

SF

“ He will be sadly missed.

Skippy - Family friend - June 22, 2011 at 12:00 AM

TW

“ To all the Brzoznowski boys:

Sorry to hear about the loss of your son and brother. I remember him being a little toddler around the shop when we'd visit Brzoznowski Logging when Uncle Dan worked there. It's unfortunate how God chooses to take people home, but just trust that he had a better plan for Dennis.

Each day forward he'll always be in your hearts, as long as you keep the memories of him near. Take time to grieve. Count on your family and friends and let them be there for you during this difficult time.

With Sympathy..... Teri Magray (Bill & Cindy's Daughter)

Teri Magray - Green Bay, WI - June 22, 2011 at 12:00 AM

AF

“ To the Brzoznowski Family: my heart goes out to you during this difficult time. I pray God's comfort and peace as you remember your son, brother, uncle, nephew, cousin... His life was so short, but he lived it to the fullest. I pray that your hearts will be mended in time and the great memories will be continued to be told to each generation of your family.

Abby Moore - Iron Mountain - Friend of the Family - June 22, 2011 at 12:00 AM

SF

“ dennis i remember babysitting you and ann as kids, you were always full of energy, n always the daring one! i remember building snow forts and snow tunnels in front of your dads garage, and slideing down the massive snow hills, i always enjoyed watching you!!!!

shannon - friend - June 22, 2011 at 12:00 AM

DJ

“ *Thinking of you in this difficult time*

Dianne Lund Johnson - June 22, 2011 at 12:00 AM

JF

“ *"Those we love don't go away,
They walk beside us everyday,
Unseen, unheard, but always near,
Still loved, still missed and very dear."*

*Words can never express how sorry we
are for your loss.*

Jim, Peggy and James Beckerson - family/friends - June 22, 2011 at 12:00 AM

BT

“ *Our prayers are with your family at this time while face this tragic,
tragic time.*

Bill and Rhonda Lazenby - College Station, TX - June 21, 2011 at 12:00 AM

JM

“ *Dear Gene, Tracy & family,
Were so sorry to hear of you loss....May you find peace and love in
the memories you cherish.*

John & Paula Holmes - Felch, MI - June 21, 2011 at 12:00 AM

MF

“ Tracy words cannot express how terrible I feel for you mourning the loss of Dennis. It is just so tragic how things happen this fast, never enough time. I know how much you loved him and would light up whenever you talked of how proud you were of him and his accomplishments. He was blessed to have such a wonderful mom and sister Ann. Hugs to you both!

Michelle Schneider - Spread Eagle, WI - friend - June 21, 2011 at 12:00 AM

RF

“ *My words are not adequate to express the sorrow I feel for your loss. Your son was an inspiration to everyone around him. I am so blessed and lucky to have known his beauty, and I will keep his spirit alive with the many sacred memories I hold close to my heart.

Rich, Robin, Derek, Tisha, Dillon & Samantha Wickman

Robin & Rich Wickman - Felch, MI - friend - June 21, 2011 at 12:00 AM

CF

“ you and family are in my thoughts and prayers Tracy

Cassandra - friend of family - June 21, 2011 at 12:00 AM

BF

“ You're still here in my heart and mind,
still making me laugh cause your stories live on.
I hold you in a thought and I can feel you.
I feel you and this gives me strength and courage.
The tears I have cried for you could flood the earth
and I know you have wiped each one away.
For you Son/Brother, I promise you this,
I will go on with my life and make you proud. I will always hold you
in my heart.
I promise you I will be missing you everyday till the end of time,
but this is not my end and I can't hold my head underwater....I need
to breathe.
I need to love and miss you, but I also need to live because through
me you will live,
you will still laugh and love,
you will still sing and dance,
you will still hug and kiss.
You will forever be in our lives,
you will forever be a brother,
a son,
an uncle
and friend.
I am going to miss your shining face
I think of you and wonder why?
I might cry or smile,
but at the end of the day I am one day closer to you....

Bobbie Olivares - Friend of family - June 21, 2011 at 12:00 AM

TF

“ Our deepest sympathies, thoughts and prayers go out to all of you. No words can take away the pain you are going through. Just know that the love and strength from your family and friends is there to help guide you. Our prayers have been said and will continue to be said for God to watch over you and help give you comfort. God Bless!

The Dunlap's - Family - June 21, 2011 at 12:00 AM

JF

“ Dennis could make anyone smile or laugh. He was so full of life whenever I was around him. He was a wonderful friend to have and I was happy to have gotten to meet him. He was just a purely good person--one who will be missed very deeply by many people. I am praying for you all, and Dennis will forever live in my memories.

Jessica Nagy - friend - June 21, 2011 at 12:00 AM

BF

“ To Gene (Jess), Tracy (Snuffy), Ann and extended family/friends, I am so very sorry to hear of your tragic loss and your family is our thoughts and prayers during this difficult time.

Bob & Shelly (Matchett) Kaminski - Quinnesec, MI - Family Friend - June 21, 2011 at 12:00 AM

DF

“ I am so sorry for your loss. My daughter, Kaylee, knew Dennis well and had nothing but good things to say about him. I can't imagine the pain you are going through but hopefully knowing others thoughts and prayers are there for you will help ease some of that pain. God Bless you and your family.

Debbie West - Friend - June 21, 2011 at 12:00 AM

FH

“ Sorry to hear of this tragic accident. Gone to soon.

Frank Hill - June 21, 2011 at 12:00 AM

JF

“ Our hearts are hurting for the loss of Dennis. He was the son we never had. He was a wonderful boy/man and we are proud to call him our friend. Thank you for being a part of our lives Dennis, you will not be forgotten. Rest in peace...we love you Clark and Jodi

Jodi and Clark Torma - friend - June 20, 2011 at 12:00 AM

CF

“ I am so sorry for the loss of Dennis. He was a great young man who's life was cut short by this tragedy.

Christine - friend of the family - June 20, 2011 at 12:00 AM