



Donald G. Roberge

September 22, 1929 - July 10, 2025

Donald Gerald Roberge, 95, of Bass Lake Rd. in Iron Mountain, was called Home by his Lord and Savior early on the morning of Thursday, July 10, 2025.

Don was born in Iron Mountain on Sept. 22, 1929, son of the late Michael and Helen (Popko) Roberge. In his teenage years Don already demonstrated his strong work ethic when he would travel to Door County to pick cherries. Don graduated from Iron Mountain High School in 1947 and right out of high school, moved down to Detroit to work in the auto industry. By the age of 19, Don secured a position with Chicago & Northwestern Railroad joyfully bringing him back to the Iron Mountain area. On October 7, 1950, Don was married to his love of 65 years, the former Jeanette Andrews, at Saint Mary & St. Joseph Church in Iron Mountain. Their marriage was blessed with 4 children. Don retired from the railroad after 42 years of “snagging boxcars for a living”.

Don had a deeply rooted faith that he and Jeanette successfully shared with their children. He was a long-time member of Immanuel Baptist Church and also loved to serve his faith community through volunteering at Lake Ellen Bible Camp and other youth ministries such as AWANA. He was an avid outdoorsman, enjoying rabbit and deer hunting, boating and teaching the kids to waterski, gardening, and he particularly loved fishing both Bass Lake and Lake Superior. Don was also very handy, building his home on Bass Lake and later on his camp near Peavy Falls. He will be remembered for his exceptional

humility and honesty.

Don will be deeply missed by his 4 children, Bob (Michele) Roberge, Paula Johnson, Jerry Roberge, and Michael (Teresa) Roberge of Lake Placid, FL; 8 grandchildren, Amy (Brian) VanOss, Kevin Johnson, Dr. Matthew (Kristy) Roberge, Jesse (Emily) Roberge, Wesley Roberge, Danielle (Andrew) Lidbeck, Nicole (Wyatt) Caylor, and Alexis Roberge; 13 great-grandchildren, Drew VanOss, Elijah, Johnathan, Daniel, Abigail, Penelope and Heidi Roberge, Levi, Leah and Silas Lidbeck, Ethan Caylor, and Jace and Logan Thomason; and many nieces and nephews.

In addition to his parents, Don is preceded in death by his loving wife, Jeanette Roberge; brothers, Robert, James, and Edward Roberge; and a son-in-law, Kenneth Johnson.

Visitation will be at the Erickson-Rochon & Nash Funeral Home, 901 Carpenter Ave., from 10:30 am to 12:00 pm on Tuesday, July 15, 2025, with Rev. Jim Danielson officiating the funeral service at 12:00 pm. Burial will be in the Iron Mountain Cemetery Park.

Don's family would like to thank his special caregivers, Donna Aberly and Ann Marie DeClark; as well as a special thank you to the entire staff of Maryhill Manor for their compassion, kindness, and care over the last 17 months.

In lieu of flowers, please consider a donation to Gideon's Bibles in Don's name.

Condolences may be expressed to the family of Donald G. Roberge online at www.ernashfuneralhomes.com.

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

arrangements.

Cemetery Details

Cemetery Park

101 Cedar Ave.
Iron Mountain, MI 49801

Previous Events

Visitation

JUL 15. 10:30 AM - 12:00 PM (CT)

Erickson-Rochon and Nash Funeral Home
901 Carpenter Avenue
Iron Mountain, MI 49801
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Funeral Service

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Tribute Wall



“ Erickson-Rochon-Nash Funeral Home created a Tribute Video in memory of Donald G. Roberge



Erickson-Rochon-Nash Funeral Home - July 15, 2025 at 11:44 AM

RD

“ Bob and I are sorry to read about Don's passing. He was a sweet soul. I know these past months have been hard for him. We rejoice for him, but share in your family's sadness of your earthly loss of him. We are out of town till the 20th, or we would be there to celebrate his life. His faith and living testimony always inspired us. We send love and prayers from our hearts, to each of you.
Love,
Bob & Robelle

Robelle Degenauer - July 15, 2025 at 08:29 AM

MR

Bob and Robelle, Thank you for your caring words and we do know your hearts were here with us. 💕

Michele Roberge - July 23, 2025 at 03:23 PM

PJ

Thank you for all your love and support.

Paula Johnson - August 02, 2025 at 08:09 PM



“ A [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) was planted in honor of Donald G. Roberge.

July 14, 2025 at 09:24 AM



“ Sentiments of Serenity Spray was purchased for the family of Donald G. Roberge.



July 14, 2025 at 09:24 AM



“ I am so sorry for your loss! I was so lucky to have been one of Don's nurses! He will be greatly missed!

Angie Crosslan - July 11, 2025 at 08:47 PM



Angie we will never forget your love and compassion.

Paula Johnson - July 12, 2025 at 09:23 AM



Bob and I second Paula's comments. You have our gratitude and appreciation.

Michele Roberge - July 23, 2025 at 03:23 PM

AT

“ Don was my dad’s (Ejnar Thunell) best friend, calling him, “my buddy”. He often took my dad to his beautiful camp. He would pick up my dad for men’s Bible study. Both shared their compassion for people & love of Christ. I (Allen Thunell) enjoyed visits to his camp & memorable conversations. Don was a blessing to my dad. I will always remember Don’s faithfulness to his wife during times of her decline. Don lived a Christian life, leaving the legacy of a good example for all of us. Allen Thunell

Allen Thunell - July 11, 2025 at 11:12 AM

PJ

We all loved your dad very much. Thank you for the kind words.

Paula Johnson - July 12, 2025 at 09:25 AM

KN

Uncle Don will be GREATLY missed. A man of dignity and morals. His smile, you could always feel his love when in his presence. Bobby, Jerry, Paula, and Michael, although our hearts are broken, we take comfort knowing he is now and forever in Christ's arms. Well deserved Uncle Don. You will always be in my prayers.

Kim Novara - July 12, 2025 at 06:01 PM