



## Fiorino Ganz

September 9, 2008

IRON MOUNTAIN - Fiorino Robert Ganz, 88, of 707 Margaret St. in Iron Mountain, died Tuesday, Sept. 9, 2008, at Dickinson County Memorial Hospital in Iron Mountain.

He was born in Kokomo, Ind., on April 15, 1920. His family moved to Chicago where he spent most of his younger years. He met his wife Anna in Chicago while she was visiting a relative. He married Anna Marie Walker in Iron Mountain on June 1, 1946, at Immaculate Conception Catholic Church by Fr. Glen Sanford. Fiorino has been a resident of Iron Mountain since 1946.

Fiorino was a member of the Bricklayers Allied Craftsman for more than 55 years. He was a former member of the Oak Crest Golf Course, Norway Moose Lodge, and a member of United Commercial Travelers and the Immaculate Conception Catholic Church. He enjoyed going to camp in Mansfield to fish and hunt.

Fiorino started his life work as an apprentice bricklayer in Chicago with Fedrizzi Brothers for three years. After moving to the area, he worked and did many jobs for Gust K. Newberg, R.G. Joiner, Prosch Construction, Meyer Construction, and was a general foreman with Blunt when he retired.

Some of his bricklaying and masonry projects were the V.A. Hospital, the

Immaculate Conception School, Northern Michigan University and Michigan Technological University additions along with many other businesses and private homes.

He is survived by his wife, Anna; four children, Ernest (Shary) Ganz of Crystal Falls and their children, Tanya (Steve) Phillips of Iron Mountain and Bryan Ganz of Golden, Colo., Gail (Larry) Ragan of Elizabeth, Colo. and their children, Tad Childers and Heather Figueria of Denver, Lori (Mike) Mellon of Iron Mountain and their children Travis Mellon of Cedar Park, Texas and Brigette and Jill Mellon of Iron Mountain, Kathy Johnson (Randy Piper) of Iron Mountain and her children, Sarah and Lydia Demerath of Las Vegas and James Johnson of Marinette, Wis.; eight great-grandchildren, Elena Figuera, Chad, Megan, Jillian and Zachary Childers and Brennan, Allyse and Aubrey Phillips; many nieces and nephews; a brother, Sisto (Barbara) Ganz of Beecher, Ill.; a sister, Caroline (Vincent) Aiello of Live Oak, Fla.; a sister and brother in-law, Alice and Gerald Tousignant and a sister in-law, Pauline Formolo, all of Iron Mountain.

He also leaves many relatives in Italy and close cousins, Amelia and Bruno Cossalter in Sydney, Australia

He was preceded in death by his father and mother, Romano and Amelia Ganz; and two brothers, Louis and Caserio Ganz; and Tony Johnson.

Graveside services will be held at Cemetery Park in Iron Mountain on Friday, Sept. 26, at 2 p.m., all are welcome. Fr. Raymond Valerio will officiate.

Family requests that flowers be omitted.

Condolences may be expressed to the family of Fiorino R. Ganz online at [www.ernashfuneralhomes.com](http://www.ernashfuneralhomes.com)

Funeral arrangements have been entrusted to the Erickson-Rochon & Nash  
Funeral Home of Iron Mountain.

# Tribute Wall

KO

“ *Your dad was one of the nicest people (your mom too) that we have ever known. He will be missed.*

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**kathe & snuffy oliva** - September 18, 2008 at 12:00 AM

WJ

“ *Kathy, Sarah & Lydia - We were so sorry to hear of your loss. You have our sincere condolences. Please know we are here for you if you need anything and we are keeping your family in our prayers.*

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**Ward & LeeAnn Johnson** - September 17, 2008 at 12:00 AM

SB

“ *Dear Ernie, I am so sorry to hear about your father passing away. Hang on to all of the good the memories - that will help you through the sad times. You and your family are in my thoughts and prayers*

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**Sally Jo (Wheeler) Bailey** - September 15, 2008 at 12:00 AM

LS

“ *Dear Ernie and Sherri,  
We were so sorry to hear of you're dad's passing.*

*Please accept our sincere sympathy for your loss.  
Loosing a parent is such a heartache, but the wonderful memories will be of great comfort, in the days that follow.*

*Bless you and your entire family,  
Most sincerely,  
Gene and LuAnn Sericati*

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**Lu Ann and Gene Sericati** - September 13, 2008 at 12:00 AM

BB

“ We are very sorry to hear the news. You have our condolences. Lori if you need any thing just call.It was so nice to see him at Jill's birthday party. take care brian and violet

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**brian&violet bongi** - September 12, 2008 at 12:00 AM