



George Tutas

February 12, 1929 - February 12, 2010

KINGSFORD - George N. Tutas, 81, of 416 Cass Ave. in Kingsford, passed away on Friday, Feb. 12, 2010, at Dickinson County Memorial Hospital.

George was born on May 8, 1928, in Niagara, the son of the late Arthur and Harriet (Phillips) Tutas. He served with the United States Army in Germany during World War II and was recalled to the Korean War until being honorably discharged in 1950.

On June 7, 1952, He married Fern O'Dette at St. Mary and St. Joseph Church in Iron Mountain.

George worked for 21 years at Kimberly-Clark in Niagara and then as a service man for Penny Andreini before going to work for Wisconsin Electric. He retired from Wisconsin Electric in 1994.

George was a member of St. Mary and St. Joseph Catholic Church where he was an usher for more than 40 years. He loved to cut firewood, go to camp, hunt deer and go camping with the Superior Sams. George was an avid Green Bay Packer fan and enjoyed vegetable gardening. He will always be remembered by family and friends for his willingness to lend a hand. If you needed help with something, he never said no.

George is survived by his wife, Fern; his son, James Tutas of Kingsford; two brothers, Larry (Mary Ann) Tutas of Charlotte, N.C. and Arthur (Barbara) Tutas of Grand Rapids, Mich.; a sister, Judy Thompson of Kingsford; a special brother-in-law, Jerry (Bev) O'Dette of Kingsford; two grandchildren, Nicholas Tutas and Kelly Taff; and several nieces and nephews.

In addition to his parents, he was preceded in death by a daughter, Kathleen Paquette; two brothers, Walt and Bob Tutas; and a sister, Mary Ann Peterson.

Visitation will be Tuesday from 9 a.m. to 11 a.m. at St. Mary and St. Joseph Church in Iron Mountain.

Funeral services will be Tuesday at 11 a.m. at the church. Fr. Daniel Zaloga will offer the Mass of Christian Burial.

Burial will be in Cemetery Park.

In lieu of flowers, a memorial will be established in his memory

Condolences may be expressed to the family of George Tutas online at www.ernashfuneralhomes.com

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

Tribute Wall

CC

“ Dear Fern...Great love stories never end...I always loved to watch the way the two of you interacted. He is not gone...just away...we will keep you in our prayers.

carol curtis - February 16, 2010 at 12:00 AM

LT

“ Dear Fern and Jimmy, my heart is broken I have lost a friend and a big brother that most folks can only wish to have had. George was a great counselor through life (including having a great skill for putting toy barns and farm sets together for his little brother at Christmas time). However, I know that he now waits with Mom & Dad and the rest of the family on the "other side". I am happy that he is at rest and not suffering the cruelties and pain of this world. George was strong in his faith and serving of his country and others, I know he has a special chair waiting for him. My God bless and watch over you both during this difficult time. I am sorry I cannot be with you, know that my sorrow is deep and I do not think I have ever been as lonely as I feel today. You are in my thoughts and prayers. Love you Brother/Uncle Larry.

Larry & Marianna Tutas - February 16, 2010 at 12:00 AM

CB

“ Dear Fern,
Was so sad when Kay told me about George. Know your Shopko family is there for you, when ever you need us. So sorry for your loss. George was an awesome guy.

Char

Char Beck - February 16, 2010 at 12:00 AM

SS

“ Grandma Fern, our thoughts and prayers are with you in your time of loss. Papa George will be greatly missed. All our Love! Steve, Lori and Ethan Servia

Steve, Lori and Ethan Servia - February 15, 2010 at 12:00 AM

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“ DEAR FERN AND FAMILY, MY DEEPEST SYMPATHY TO ALL OF YOU.MAY THE COMFORT OF FRIENDS AND FAMILY HELP YOU PAST THESE DIFFICULT TIMES. YOU HAVE ALL BEEN,AND WILL CONTINUE TO BE IN MY THOUGHTS AND PRAYERS GOD BLESS YOU , NANCY(CELELLO) SANTINI

NANCY (CELELLO)SANTINI - February 15, 2010 at 12:00 AM

JS

“ Jim - hopefully you will remember us, it's been many years. We read in the IM news, via internet, about your father passing away. You have our deepest sympathy and are in our thoughts and prayers. Hope you are doing good otherwise, would be fantastic to reconnect. Take care. Joanne and Allen (aka, Suds)

Joanne & Allen Shangle - February 15, 2010 at 12:00 AM

LG

“ Dear Auntie Fern, What can I say? You and Uncle George were always so special to me growing up.. Even if I did get shirts for my birthday. Although it has been many years since we last saw one another, you folks are often in my thoughts. He was a special guy to many of us. May the good Lord be with you and your family. All My Love, Lar

Larry GARDEPY - February 15, 2010 at 12:00 AM

LR

“ Dear Fern and family...It is with sadness we learn of your loss...He was a great guy and will be missed by many...Wish we could be there to give you our condolences in person but please know that our thoughts and prayers will be with you at this sad time....Sincerely. Lois and Bruce Ring...

Lois & Bruce Ring - February 15, 2010 at 12:00 AM

MM

“ Dear friend sorry we are so far away but our hearts and thoughts are with you. Love always Marilyn and Bob

Marilyn & Bob Martin - February 15, 2010 at 12:00 AM